

# British Brass Bands

## historical directory



Thurnscoe Brass Band

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# Introduction

Of the many brass bands that have flourished in Britain over the last 200 years very few have documented records covering their history. This directory is an attempt to collect together information about such bands and make it available to all. Over 12,100 bands are recorded here, with some 6,300 additional cross references for alternative or previous names.

Where "active" dates are given these indicate documented appearances - the bands may well have existed beyond those dates quoted. Bands which folded for more than 1 year (apart from during WW1 or WW2) with a successor band being later formed are regarded as "extinct".

Minor name variations, e.g. X Brass Band, X Silver Band, X Silver Prize Band, are generally not referenced, unless it is clear that they were separate entities. Various bands have changed their names several times over the years, making tracking them down more difficult.

The counties referred to are the historical counties of the Britain (see [www.county-wise.org.uk](http://www.county-wise.org.uk)).

Documentation about bands in the early years is very sketchy, reliant largely on reports in the newspapers and magazines of the day. Often bands would have been referred to in ambiguous terms, and it is not entirely clear which specific band it is. For example, a village may have had a temperance band, known as X Temperance Brass Band, but often referred to as X Brass Band. There may have also been an X Brass Band contemporary with the X Temperance Brass Band. In this case both names are recorded as being distinct entities, until further information is available.

More detailed information about a few hundred specific bands does exist elsewhere, in books and journals and in online resources, particularly current bands' own websites and the **IBEW** ([www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)) which contains much of the information herein, together with further information on individual bands.

The next edition of this directory will include the following

- location details of further information about specific bands, whether online or published material
- an appendix of non-British brass bands
- an update of brass bands including those identified since this edition
- details of brass band historians and researchers

Based on my research so far I would estimate that perhaps 10% of the entries in the directory are actually the same as other bands. In addition, I expect to be able to add up to 3,000 more British brass bands to the directory in future editions.

Any errors, corrections, additions or details of "family tree" relationships between bands and their names will always be welcome. Contact me via the IBEW website.

Further information:

- Bibliography – the comprehensive *Brass Band Bibliography* is available online at <http://independent.academia.edu/GavinHolman> as a PDF download, or at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)
- Brass Bands Genealogy - information on current bands' dates of origin and name changes is also available at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)
- Vintage brass band pictures – some 15,000 images of early brass bands are available at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)
- Brass band historians and researchers – those who are known to be actively working in this field are listed at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

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# BRITISH BRASS BANDS

## **A W Parker (Drybrook) Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1924 - Former names: Drybrook & District Band

## **A.H. Davenport's Brass Band** - Shanklin, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in 1862, 20 players, conductor Mr Marshall

## **Ab Kettleby Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1889 through to WW1.

## **Abberley and Mamble Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1851, when it was noted, when playing at a dinner, that "either the oppressive heat of the weather, Mr Arthur's ale, or some other cause, speedily operated on more than one of the performers, and at last rendered their silence imperative".

## **Abbey Brass Band** - Abingdon, Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Former names: Abbey Brass Youth Band

## **Abbey Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

Active in 1888

## **Abbey Brass Youth Band** - Abingdon, Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Abbey Brass Band*

## **Abbey Milton Brass Band**

See: *Milton Abbas Brass Band*

## **Abbey Silver Prize Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wotton & District Silver Band*

## **Abbot's Brass Band**

See: *Abbott and Company's Boiler Works Band*

## **Abbots Bromley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1890s it survived at least until the end of WWI, but there is no local information on a subsequent closure date for the band.

## **Abbotsbury Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the early 1900s, conductor S. Ford in 1905.

## **Abbott and Company's Boiler Works Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1. A.F. Coyne was conductor in 1908. Became "silver band" on receipt of new instruments in 1911.

## **Abbott Memorial School Band** - Gateshead, Durham

Active between the 1890s through to WW1. This Industrial and Reform School was opened in 1891. Conductor in 1894 was Robert Smith. An Abbott Memorial School Band was also active in 1886, when it took part in the "Monstre Children's Trip to South Shields"

## **Aber and Blaengwynfi Workmens Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Formed in 1892 and active through to around 2012. Don Davies was bandmaster in the 1950s and 1960s. David Walters conductor in 2006 (though at that time there were only 4 members, 3 of whom were in their 70's or 80's). It was a public subscription band originally and then it was supported by the various collieries that were in Blaengwynfi - collecting money on pay day.

### **Aber Valley Brass Band**

See: *Windsor Colliery Workmen's Silver Band*

### **Aberaman Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Leader James Newman in 1860. Patronised by Crawshay Bailey, a local industrialist. Folded prior to the Original Band starting in 1882.

### **Aberaman Original Band - Glamorgan**

Formed in 1882, became Aberaman Silver Band in 1892. Conductor until around 1896 was Jones Prestwood. Thomas Valentine was the conductor in 1905. Probably folded in the late 1960s, early 1970s.

### **Aberaman Public Band**

See: *Aberaman Original Band*

### **Aberaman Silver Band**

See: *Aberaman Original Band*

### **Aberavon Borough Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1936

### **Aberavon Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1852

### **Aberavon D.S. and S. Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1920 when it competed in the Junior Shield at the Crystal Palace, conducted by D. J. Stevens

### **Aberavon Excelsior Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1890 to 1898. Conducted by S. Blethyn Jones

### **Aberavon Temperance Band - Glamorgan**

See: *Bethany Temperance Band*

### **Aberblaengwynfi Silver**

See: *Aber and Blaengwynfi Workmens Silver Band*

### **Abercanaid Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1890s

### **Abercarn Welfare Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the early 1900s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s and the Grand Shield in 1947

### **Abercorris Brass Band - Merioneth**

Formed in January 1867, comprised chiefly of men engaged at the different slate and slab quarries in the vicinity, 18 in number. The instruments were purchased by the men themselves, uniforms of grey cloth turned up with yellow.

### **Abercynon Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Formed in the 1890s, had paid off the instruments by 1899 - conductor William Way. In 1900 the band collected £4 as a donation to the war reservists' fund. Later known as Abercynon Prize Silver Band. Still active in the 1930s

### **Aberdare Church Mission Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1890s

### **Aberdare Industrial School Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Founded in 1884, however it may not have lasted long. The school, which was largely farm-based, had 145 pupils in 1881, but had dwindled to 80 by 1887 at which time questions were being raised about its management and viability. The band was active once again in the early 1900s.

**Aberdare Town Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1878, when they had a new "hussars" uniform. Took part in the first National Championships in 1900, conducted by Jesse Manley. Active through to around 1910, also known as Ysguborwen Brass Band (or Sguborwen Temperance Band). It was revived in 1910 for a short period under conductor Harry Bentley, but did not survive WW1.

**Aberdare Training School Brass Band**

See: *Aberdare Industrial School Brass Band*

**Aberdare Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s

**Aberdeen Blind Asylum Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1867, conductor Mr Coombs. All the players were employees of the asylum

**Aberdeen Boys and Girls' Hospital Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the late 1870s

**Aberdeen City Brass Band (1)** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1857

**Aberdeen City Brass Band (2)** - Aberdeenshire

Founded in 1957 by a former conductor of the Stoneywood Band, Alexander Buchan. Some of the original members transferred from Stoneywood, finding it more convenient to attend practices in Aberdeen. Throughout the 1960's and 70's the City band was much in demand for concert appearances and had some notable successes in concerts. On two occasions the band took first place in the Scottish Championships, thus qualifying to play in the British finals in London. By the 90's however membership had declined to the point that the band had many more instruments than musicians, and the band merged with UDI Brass in 1997, to form UDI Aberdeen City Band and also Aberdeen Community Band,

**Aberdeen Community Band** - Aberdeenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Aberdeen Foresters' Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active from the late 1880s, conductor William Alder in 1891, Charles Morrison in 1893. Still active in 1896

**Aberdeen Rechabite Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1899

**Aberdeen Rifles Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1909

**Aberdeen Temperance Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1868

**Aberdeen Trades Professional Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1898, secretary P. Hutchinson

**Aberdeen Volunteer Artillery Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor William Wood.

**Aberdulais Tin Works Silver Band**

T. Morgan was the conductor in 1922

**Aberfeldy Brass Band (1)** - Perthshire

Active in the 1860s, folded before 1874

**Aberfeldy Brass Band (2) - Perthshire**

Formed in 1875, active through to WW1. Conductor Mr Finlayson in 1904. It folded around 1907, with the instruments and uniforms being stored at the Town Hall. The band was revived in 1909.

**Abergavenny Borough Band - Monmouthshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1891 - Former names: Abergavenny Brass Band (to 1906)

**Abergavenny Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Abergavenny Brass Band*

**Abergavenny Imperial Band - Monmouthshire**

[no information]

**Abergavenny London and North Western Railway Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the early 1900s, conductor G.E. Guy in 1903.

**Abergavenny Temperance Band - Monmouthshire**

[no information]

**Abergele Brass Band - Denbighshire**

Active in 1855, 1862

**Abergorchy Colliery Band - Treorchy, Glamorgan**

See: *Abergorchy Town Band*

**Abergorchy Town Band - Treorchy, Glamorgan**

Active in 1918 to the late 1930s. Also known as Abergorchy Workmen's Band, Abergorchy Colliery Band. Conductor J.G. Dobbing in 1918

**Abergorchy Workmen's Band**

See: *Abergorchy Town Band*

**Abergorky Town Band**

See: *Abergorchy Town Band*

**Abergwynfi Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the early 1900s. Conductor in 1903, George Dimmock. The band obtained new instruments in 1904.

**Abergynolwyn Band - Merioneth**

[current band] - Founded in 1925

**Abergynolwyn Brass Band - Merioneth**

Active in the early 1900s

**Aberkenfig and Tondy Band**

See: *Tondy and Aberkenfig Silver Band*

**Aberllefenni Brass Band - Merioneth**

Active from the 1890s to WW1

**Aberpergwm Brass Band - Glynneath,**

Formed in 1906 and conducted by Mr Thomas Sands - was a keen rival to the Glynneath Silver Band. It only lasted two years and folded around 1908.

**Aberteifi Town Band - Cardiganshire**

Active in the 1990s. Also known as Cardigan Town Band

**Abertillery Colliery Band**

See: *Abertillery Silver Band*

**Abertillery Silver Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1890s through to WW1

**Abertillery Temperance Band**

See: *Abertillery Silver Band*

**Abertridwr Silver Band**

See: *Windsor Colliery Workmen's Silver Band*

**Abertridwr Welfare Band**

See: *Windsor Colliery Workmen's Silver Band*

**Abertysswg Public Band**

See: *Abertysswg Silver Band*

**Abertysswg Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the early 1900s to the late 1980s

**Abertysswg Youth Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section), conducted by W.T. Davies

**Aberystwyth British Legion Band** - Cardiganshire

Active from the 1950s to 1990s

**Aberystwyth Briton Band** - Cardiganshire

Active in the 1880s. Merged with the Aberystwyth Excelsior Band in the 1890s to form the current Aberystwyth Silver Band.

**Aberystwyth Excelsior Band** - Cardiganshire

Active in the 1880s. Merged with the Aberystwyth Briton Band in the 1890s to form the current Aberystwyth Silver Band.

**Aberystwyth Silver Band** - Cardiganshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s

**Abingdon Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1965

**Abingdon Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire

Active in the 1840s

**Abingdon Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire

Formed in the early 1880s, known as Abingdon Town Band from 1888. Folded in the early 1960s. A successor band was formed in 1965.

**Abingdon Town Band** - Berkshire

See: *Abingdon Brass Band (2)*

**Abinger Brass Band** - Abinger Common, Surrey

Active in 1861

**Able Jack (Stanton) Band**

See: *Stanton under Bardon Brass Band*

**Abraham Darby Band**

See: *South Telford Band*

**Abram Colliery Band**

See: *Bickershaw Colliery Band*

**Abthorpe Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active around 1900 through to around 1930. Organised a contest in the village from 1899-1902. Conductor in 1910 was F. Bates

**Accrington Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1902 and through to the 1930s

**Accrington Christ Church School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1856



### **Accrington Old Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1842, funded by public subscription. There were a total of 24 instruments, including such long forgotten items as Ophicleids and Serpents. Around 1854, largely as a result the technological development of valve instruments, the brass band came to the fore. Conductor in the 1850s and 1860s was Radcliffe Barnes. In 1859 and 1860, political upheavals in Europe led to the War Office raising volunteer military corps of over 130,000 men. Accrington Old Band got swept up in this and became the 7th Volunteer Rifle Corps (Lancs.) and later known as the 3rd Lancashire Volunteer Regiment. In the late 1880s the name Accrington Primrose League Band was adopted, a patriotic gesture at the time. (The Primrose League was a Conservative Party group with very patriotic beliefs and took its identity from what was believed to be Prime Minister Disraeli's favourite flower.) Conductor in 1904 was Edmund Lee. In September 1914, under their original name, the Accrington Old Band was reported by the Accrington Observer as leading the parade of the newly formed Accrington Pals Battalion. "They played lively tunes as they marched past the Mayor who stood in front of Accrington Town Hall." After WW1 the band reverted to a mixed brass/reed formation, in which it continues as the East Lancashire Concert Band.

### **Accrington Primrose League Band** - Lancashire

See: *Accrington Old Band*

### **Accrington Subscription Band** - Lancashire

See: *Accrington Old Band*

### **Aceprint Gawthorpe Victoria Band**

See: *Gawthorpe Victoria Band*

### **Ackton Colliery Band**

See: *Ackton Hall and Snydale Workmens Band*

### **Ackton Hall and Snydale Colliery Band**

See: *Ackton Hall and Snydale Workmens Band*

### **Ackton Hall and Snydale Workmens Band**

Active through the 1950s to early 1980s. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by T. Sellers. In early 1977 it was disbanded, then immediately reformed with a new constitution - to help assuage the drain of players to other bands. Folded again in the mid/late 1980s.

### **Ackton Hall Band**

See: *Ackton Hall and Snydale Workmens Band*

### **Ackworth Parish Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor in 1906 was A. Denton

### **Acocks Green Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the early 1900s

### **Acomb Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1858, and in 1864 when they played at the Hexham Flower Show in September. In 1878 they were attached to the 11th Northumberland (Corbridge) Volunteers. Still active through to the 1920. The principal cornet player around 1870s and 1880s was Joseph Henderson, conductor Haydon Bridge in 1891. In the late 1890s they were attached to the 1st Volunteer Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers.

### **Acomb Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1892.

**Acrefair Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s, also in the 1900s, conductor J.L. Griffiths

**Active in the 1900s**

See: *Rutherglen Excelsior Temperance Band*

**Acton and Rhosddu Brass Band**

See: *Rhosddu and Acton Brass Band*

**Acton Borough Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1927 (possibly a renamed Acton Town Band)

**Acton Brass Band**

See: *Acton Town Band (1)*

**Acton Green Brass Band** - Middlesex

Played at a concert in 1900

**Acton Lane British School Brass Band** - Chipping Sodbury, Gloucestershire

Active in 1886

**Acton Temperance (Prize) Brass Band** - Middlesex

Present at a meeting of Temperance Branch in 1899. Conductor J. Wornell. Played at the laying of the foundation stone for the electricity works in 1904

**Acton Town Band (1)** - Middlesex

Active in 1880 and the 1890s - presumed to have folded before 1900 when a successor band was formed.

**Acton Town Band (2)** - Middlesex

Formed in 1900. Listed in the Acton Almanac 1907 - Secretary P Gillett, 39 Grove Road.

**Acton Village Brass Band** - Middlesex

Played at a Feast in 1867 and at Hampton Court in 1868

**Adamless Eden Ladies Brass Band**

Active in 1895. A professional band, part of the Adamless Eden comic opera and touring company

**Adderbury and Bloxham Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1850s to 1859

**Adderbury Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Adderbury and Bloxham Brass Band*

**Adderley Street Gas Works Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Addingham Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1843/1844. In 1865 it played at the opening of the Midland and Northeastern Railway's extension to Ilkley and Otley. Still active in 1869

**Addingham Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1902, conductors Mr Hibbs in 1903, J. Martin in 1908. Active in the 1920s when they chanced to cause a little damage to school furniture during a concert given at the school.

**Addlestone British Legion Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1929

**Addlestone Excelsior Prize Band**

See: *Addlestone Temperance Band*

**Addlestone Temperance Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1905, later became Addlestone Excelsior Prize Band and by the mid 1920s had become a mixed brass and woodwind ensemble and became known as Addlestone

Military Band, later merged with Chertsey Town Silver Prize Band to form Weymann's Works Band

**Addlestone, Chertsey and District Brass Band** - Surrey

Possibly the same as Addlestone Temperance Band

**Adel Reformatory Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1877 and the 1880s and 1893. Mr J.W. Cheshire was conductor. A typical story of one of the boys notes: "He was rescued from the demoralising custody of dissolute parents, and being placed in the band, speedily exhibited that passion for music and close application to the study of its principles which has led to his occupying the honourable position of bandmaster in Her Majesty's service." A visitor to the Reformatory in 1887 remarked: "I heard the well trained band perform a selection from "Masaniello". I have heard that particular excerpt performed by a goodly number of bands at one time and another, and I have heard it rendered by grown up musicians in a manner which would give no cause for envy to the band boys of the Reformatory at Adel. "

**Adelaide Grove Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1900s

**Adwalton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Afan Valley Workmen's Prize Band** - Cwmafan,

Active in 1897. Played at the ceremonial opening of Port Talbot Memorial Park on the 26th June 1926 at 3p.m.

**Agecroft Colliery Band**

See: *Hulton Brass Band*

**Agnes Street Temperance Band**

See: *Agnes Street Band*

**Aigburth Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1860 and in the early 1900s, conductor A. Butler, to the 1930s

**Aigburth Subscription Band**

See: *Aigburth Brass Band*

**Aikton Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active the 1900s. In June 1903 it promoted the latest of a series of annual picnic and sports at Wiggonby. The bandmaster at the time was Mr Thompson.

**Aikton Temperance Band**

See: *Aikton Brass Band*

**Ainsdale Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1890s to the 1900s

**Ainstable Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1863, conductor Mr Wallace. Still active in 1867

**Ainsworth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in November 1891 by William Norman Rayson. He had started earlier local bands at Brightmet Bleachworks, his place of work, and in the village of Ainsworth but both were short lived. In 1891 he again gathered together some local musicians and Ainsworth Brass Band was formed. In the mid 1890's the band was engaged to play at Bolton ice rink at the bottom of Chorley Old Road. The bandsmen would walk to Bolton and then at the end of the evening walk back at one or two o'clock in the morning, back to Ainsworth village. Often they would pause on their way home through the fields and

enjoy an informal concert. Their best soloists would play and sing and the whole band would thoroughly enjoy themselves. On one November 5th the band found a deserted bonfire still burning. They gathered round and played 'Hail smiling Morn', the band serenaded the neighbourhood for a while before marching off to a lively quick march! They changed their name to Ainsworth Public Subscription Band in 1946 after having been disbanded during the war. In the 1950's the band took sponsorship from a local firm and changed its name to the Irwell Forge Band. They were sponsored by Airtours the travel company in 1986. Following difficult trading conditions the sponsorship deal ended in 1989. Due to its Bury roots, and the fact that Bury Silver Band were not playing at that time, the band was renamed as Bury Brass Band. They played on under that name until 1997 when the band eventually folded due to lack of a fixed affordable rehearsal space and being down to twelve members. Conductors have included C. H. Partington (1933-38), Harry Hodgson (1938-48) and Frank Kay (c. 1950)

#### **Ainsworth Public Subscription Band**

See: *Ainsworth Brass Band*

#### **Aintree Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1902, conductor S. Harrison. Another report indicates an Aintree Band being active in 1897.

#### **Air Balloon Hill Brass Band** - St George, Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s. Conductor George White in 1902.

#### **Air Balloon Hill Temperance Band**

See: *Air Balloon Hill Brass Band*

#### **Air Rifle Club Band**

Active in 1931

#### **Aircraft Components Limited Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cheltenham Silver Band*

#### **Airdrie Old Union Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Airdrie Union Band*

#### **Airdrie Saxhorn Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1857 to 1886

#### **Airdrie Union Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

The Airdrie Union Band was founded in 1819 and survived to celebrate its centenary as the Airdrie Old Union Band. Originally it was a mixed brass and reed instrument band. Around 1860 - to the disgust of some members - it converted to being a full brass band. Among its many concerts it played at functions and marches of many of the town's friendly societies, trade societies and Masonic lodges. Shortly after the Band's formation it was reputed to have been involved in the political parades and demonstrations around Airdrie which were part of the nationwide movement of Radical agitation in late 1819 and early 1820. The formation of the Band may even have been connected with this movement. (The Articles of the Band give the false impression that it was founded in November 1820). Also known as the 29th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band at some time. In 1871 William Donaldson, who had been conductor for fifty-two years, died. The band then became dormant, but was resuscitated in 1872, conductor Charles E. Murdoch; began to compete 1879; to 1888 had attended fourteen contests, and won prizes value £80. Records of the band, from 1836-1910, are held by the North Lanarkshire Council Archives. These include a Roll Book, 1836-c 1905; typed transcript of the Articles of the Airdrie Union Band with annotations, c 1910; Handwritten notes (by James Knox?)

concerning Airdrie Union Band, 1875; Records concerning the purchase of new instruments for the Airdrie Old Union Silver Band including correspondence, a band list, extracts from accounts and receipts, 1907-1909. The band was still active into the 1980s when it was became Monklands Concert Brass. The Monklands Concert Brass Youth Band held a 30 year reunion in 2011 - but it is not clear when the band(s) actually folded.

**Aire and Calder Brass Band** - Castleford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Airedale Brass Band** - Idle, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Idle Airedale Brass Band*

**Airedale Good Templar Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874

**Airquick (Newark) Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Ransome Band*

**Aislaby Brass Band** - near Sleights, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1847. In 1859 it took part in the Lofthouse Grand Village Band Contest in November that year. It was conducted by R Corney, had 9 performers, and played *La Somnambula* by Bellini and the test piece, *Grand Parade March* by Jones. Still active in 1879.

**Aitkenhead Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. James Barclay was bandmaster at one time. Conductor A. Hutchison in 1891, W. Cole in 1899. Aitkenhead was located near Tannochside/Thorniewood/Nackerty, Lanarkshire

**Akbar Nautical School Band** - Cheshire

The Akbar Nautical School for Boys was opened in 1909 at Heswall, on the Wirral. It replaced the Reformatory Ship Akbar which had been scrapped in November 1907 - which had its own band. The band was active in the 1910s and 1920s.

**Akroyd's Brass Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

A band formed by the workers at the worsted mills of James Akroyd & Son

**Albany Brass Band** - Witham, Essex

Active in the 1890s and 1900. Conductor J. Nightingale in 1898.

**Albemarle Brotherhood Brass Band** - Taunton, Somerset

Active in 1913

**Albert Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Royal Albert Brass Band*

**Albert Brass Band** - Darlington, Durham

Active in 1874, conductor George Hoggett

**Albert Brass Band** - Pickering, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1859

**Albert Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kettering Town Silver Band*

**Albert Edward Operatic Brass Band** - North Shields, Northumberland

Active in 1880s and early 1900s

**Albert Hall Mission Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

See: *Albert Hall Silver Band*

**Albert Hall Silver Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1902 through to WW1. Conductor J.T. Thompson (1902-1908), H. Cumberland (1908-). Their bandroom was destroyed by fire in 1908. Conductor A. Towers in 1913

**Albert Hill Band**

Active in 1913

**Albert Institute Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

Active around 1885. G.H. Kirkup played the baritone at that time in the band. Also in that year the bandmaster Joseph Coulson went missing for several days.

**Albert Memorial Band** - Birkenhead, Cheshire

Active in 1918

**Albert Memorial Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s through to the 1900s. Based at Queens Road, Manchester

**Albert Memorial Sunday School Brass Band**

See: *Albert Memorial Band*

**Albert Street Iron Works Band** - Bilston, Staffordshire

Active in 1892

**Albion Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

See: *Cambridge Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Castleford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Albion Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

See: *Derby Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Grantham Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Hucknall,

See: *Hucknall Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Manningtree,

See: *Manningtree Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

See: *Nottingham Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Brass Band** - Shoreditch, Middlesex

Active in 1860

**Albion Brass Band** - Sleaford,

See: *Sleaford Albion Brass Band*

**Albion Colliery Brass Band** - Cilfynydd, Glamorgan

Founded in 1905, conductor Gus Foxhall.

**Albion Dockyard Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active from the 1940s until 1966 when it merged with the then Kingswood Hill Silver Band.

**Albion Foresters Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active around 1877

**Albion Mills Brass Band**

See: *Albion Mills Temperance Band*

**Albion Mills Temperance Band** - Droylsden, Lancashire

Active in 1890 through to WW1

**Albury Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Alcester RSO Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1901

**Alcester Town Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor Mr Tennemore.

**Alcester Victoria Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1897

**Alcester Victoria Youth Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Arrow Valley Brass*

**Aldbrough and Boroughbridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1873, when it was described as being “only young” - so probably formed in the early 1870s. However there was a Boroughbridge Brass Band in the 1850s, so perhaps this was a successor band. Still active as Boroughbridge Brass Band in the late 1880s. Conductor T. Archer in 1877.

**Aldbrough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Aldbourn Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1860 - Note: From the Marlborough Times dated Saturday, September 1st 1860 - “.....have taken the necessary steps for the formation of a brass band, towards which, we are happy to hear some of the principle inhabitants have subscribed handsomely. The list is headed by the Rev G.P.Cleather, F.Neate, T.Chandler and others. The band will be under the tuition of Mr Richard Brown Bunce, by whom as bandmaster any subscriptions or contributions will be received”.

**Aldbrough Brass Band** - Aldbrough St John, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1868

**Aldbury Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1898

**Aldeburgh Town Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1892 when James Fisher was secretary. The conductor was J. Chapman in 1898.

**Alder Valley Brass Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1961 - Former names: Aldershot Brass Ensemble

**Alderbury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1865 and the early 1900s. The local Methodist chapel had its music led by a number of these local musicians. The Fry family, who founded the first Salvation Army band in Salisbury, did so shortly after they moved there from Alderbury, and had played regularly in the Alderbury chapel.

**Alderholt Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1870, 1874. Probably folded before WW1

**Alderholt Silver Prize Band** - Dorset

Active from the 1920s to early 1960s

**Alderley Edge Brass Band**

Active from 1856. William Barton appointed conductor in 1907. Also active in 1920s and 1930s. Probably folded at the start of or during WW2.

**Alderminster Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Steele. Still active in 1868

**Aldershot Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1872

**Aldershot Brass Ensemble** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Alder Valley Brass Band*

**Aldershot Prize Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1919

**Aldershot Town Brass Band (1)** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s, merged with Aldershot Victoria Band, disbanding prior to 1908.

**Aldershot Town Brass Band (2)** - Hampshire

Active in the 1950s

**Aldershot Victoria Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, merged with Aldershot Town Brass Band, disbanding prior to 1908.

**Alderson Band**

See: *Alderson's Band*

**Alderson's Adult School Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

Active in 1884 and 1890

**Alderton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1856, when it headed celebrations in the town to mark the return of peace. Took part in a procession at Broadway in 1874. Photographed at the Plough Inn, Ford in 1905, conductor Mr. Covey. Also active in 1962 (probably a successor band).

**Aldington Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1901 when it received £3 15s. 0d. from the parish to pay the balance due for their new instruments and also 8s. for new music. In July that year John Roberts, a returning soldier from the Boer War, was met by the band at the entrance to the village, and escorted in triumph to his home. Still active in 1911.

**Aldridge and District Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Aldridge Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active around 1880/1890

**Aldridge Brownhills Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Aldridge Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Aldridge Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1920 after the Walsall Wood Temperance Band went bankrupt. The band practised in a large garage in Brookland Road. Mr Tom Smith was the conductor in the 1920's. Arthur Reeves was the band secretary and also played the trombone. Other players were J Breeze, B Snape, Bradford, J Welsh, and E Westwood. It is believed they performed in a short radio concert on BBC radio in the 1930's. The band joined with Bloxwich British Legion Band and Bescot Band during the Second World War to form the Walsall Home Guard Band. This was disbanded after the war. The Aldridge Colliery Band continued after the War, to disband in 1950.

**Aldridge Town Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Alexander Brass Band** - London (North)

Formed around 1898

**Alexander Stephen and Sons' Brass Band** - Kelvinhaugh, Lanarkshire

Active in the mid-1860s until the firm left the Kelvinhaugh site in 1871. The band was composed largely of the shipbuilding firm's apprentices.



**Alexander Watson's Brass Band** - Kemback, Fife

See: *Messrs Alexander Watson's Works Brass Band*

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Bethnal Green, Middlesex

Active in 1869

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Bridlington, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Bridlington Alexandra Brass Band*

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Alexandra Band*

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Middlesbrough Alexandra Brass Band*

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Parkgate, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Parkgate Alexandra Brass Band*

**Alexandra Brass Band** - Wivenhoe, Essex

See: *Wivenhoe Alexandra Brass Band*

**Alexandra Dock Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway Band*

**Alexandra Docks (L. and N.W.) Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway Band*

**Alexandra L. and Y.R. Brass Band** - Newton Heath, Lancashire

See: *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Alexandra Band*

**Alexandra L.M.S. Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Alford Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1850s and in the early 1900s. Conductor Mr Royan resigned in 1901.

**Alford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Alford Excelsior Band*

**Alford Excelsior Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in the 1860s as a Rifle Brigade Band. It then became the Alford Excelsior Brass Band until 1900, when it divided into two separate bands. Conductor Mr Phillips in 1885. The outbreak of World War I and the loss of many players to the armed forces caused the suspension of the brass bands in Alford, and it was not until the 1920s that a band reformed. This was initially in the guise of the British Legion Band, but which then changed to become the Alford Town Band, the first to bear the town's proud name. Sadly, the outbreak of World War II saw the demise of this band. A successor band was formed in the 1960s.

**Alford Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band]

**Alford Street Mission Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire

Active in the mid-1900s

**Alford Town Band**

See: *Alford Excelsior Band*

**Alfred Street Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s - probably linked to the Christian Institute in Alfred Street.

**Alfreton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the late 1850s to around 1900

**Alfreton Church Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1895 to 1899. William Williams was conductor during this period

**Alfreton Church Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Alfreton Church Brass Band*

**Alfreton St John Ambulance Brigade Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1916

**Alfreton Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Alfreton Church Brass Band*

**Alfreton Town Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Alfreton Brass Band*

**Alhambra Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1867. A professional brass band of 20 performers, conductor J.B. Acey, based at the Alhambra Music Hall, Hull

**All Saints and St Clement's Brass Band**

See: *Hastings All Saints Brass Band*

**All Saints and Volunteers Band**

See: *All Saints Brass Band (Hindley)*

**All Saints Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

See: *Blackburn All Saints Brass Band*

**All Saints Brass Band** - Hastings, Sussex

See: *Hastings All Saints Brass Band*

**All Saints Brass Band** - Hindley, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s/1890s. In connection with the local volunteers it became the 82nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band in the mid-1880s

**All Saints Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Newton Heath All Saints Band*

**All Saints Brass Band** - Newmarket,

Active in 1880

**All Saints Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

Active in 1936

**All Saints Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1853 through 1885

**All Saints Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. The founder and conductor was Thomas Wright

**All Saints Brass Band** - Wellingborough, Northamptonshire

Active in 1879 through to the 1890s. Conductor in 1888 was T. Loasby

**All Saints Brass Band** - Whalley, Lancashire

Active in 1886

**All Saints Brass Band** - Wokingham, Berkshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**All Saints Scouts Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Southampton (Albion) Band*

**All Saints Sunday School Brass Band**

See: *Newton Heath All Saints Band*

**All Saints Temperance Brass Band**

See: *All Saints Brass Band (Wellingborough)*

**All Souls Parish Church Band** - Ancoats, Lancashire

Active from the 1930s to the 1960s

**Allendale Saxhorn Band**

See: *Allendale Town Brass Band*

**Allendale Town Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from 1838 to the 1950s. Conductor J. Holmes in 1860. Conductor in 1888, T. Woods.

**Allenheads Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1931

**Allerton Brass Band** - near Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Allerton Mill Brass Band*

**Allerton Bywater Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1980s

**Allerton Bywater Comrades Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s

**Allerton Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s/50s

**Allerton Mill Brass Band** - near Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1865

**Allestree Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1866 to the 1900s. Conductor G. Hitchcock in 1908

**Alliance and Leicester Kibworth Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kibworth Band*

**Alliance Brass** - London (South)

Formed in September 2000 by two ex-students of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama: Lewis Edney and Ben Ellin. The aim of the band was to allow students in London to play together in an ensemble that they might not otherwise have been able to experience. The band was originally conducted by Ben Ellin, then by John Clark from 2003. Following promotion to the Championship Section in 2002, they qualified Finals in 2003 and 2004 and won the Senior Trophy in 2005. They disbanded in 2008

**Alliance Brass Band** - Holborn, Middlesex

Active in the 1860s, rehearsing in Red Lion Street, conductor H. Sibold, secretary E. Fletcher. In 1862 it rehearsed at 47 Baldwin Street, City Road, Mondays and Thursdays, 8-10

**Alliance Brass Band** - Horncastle, Lincolnshire

See: *Horncastle Alliance Brass Band*

**Alliance Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Alliance Brass Band*

**Alliance Cabinet Makers' Brass Band** - High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire

Active in 1892

**Allington Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1869, conductor Mr Hughes

**Allington Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1858. Conductor Mr Harrison in 1859. Still active in 1861

**Alloa Burgh Band** - Clackmannanshire

Formed 1875 following the disbanding of the 1st Clackmannanshire Rifle Volunteer Band. In 1881 it attended the first contest held at Wemyss Castle and won first prize. Had

won seventeen prizes totalling £249 by 1888, when they were conducted by George Irvine. Between then and 1894 it secured 29 first places and 13 seconds and had an income of £3000. Won the Scottish Championships in 1897. They were also the first band to engage an English conductor, Richard Marsden (1889-92). The minutes, cash books and abstracts of accounts with bandmasters' reports, 1888-1951, are held in the Clackmannanshire Council Archives. Previous conductors included: John McBeath (1875), James Jenkins (1886), Richard Marsden (1889), J. E. Robinson (1892), W. Swingler (1904), Mr. Ogsden (1906) and H. Muddiman (1907-46). Merged with Alva Town Band in 1991 to form Clackmannan District Brass Band.

**Alloa Collieries Band** - Clackmannanshire

Active in the 1950s, conductor Charles Telfer.

**Alloa Colliery Band (1)** - Clackmannanshire

Formed 10th September 1881. Conductor in 1888 was John McBeath

**Alloa Colliery Band (2)**

See: *Alloa Collieries Band*

**Alloa Instrumental Band**

See: *Alloa Burgh Band*

**Alloa Town Band**

See: *Alloa Burgh Band*

**Alloa Trades Band** - Clackmannanshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor George Irvine.

**Alltwen Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s to 1910. Conductor Russell Davies in 1902. Obtained new instruments in 1904

**Alma Colliery Band** - Pelton,

Active in 1907

**Alma Road Mission Band** - Enfield, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Alma Tube Works Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in 1863, 1864

**Almer Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1880s. E. Joyce secretary in 1881

**Almer Temperance Brass Band**

See: *Almer Brass Band*

**Almondbury and Lowerhouses Band**

See: *Almondbury Brass Band*

**Almondbury Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1851, 1872, 1894, 1909. Probably folded during WW1 and a successor band forming in the 1920s. In 1933 they appointed James Macdonald as bandmaster, replacing R. Readshaw. Still active in 1947

**Almondbury United Band**

See: *Almondbury Brass Band*

**Alnwick and District Band**

See: *Alnwick Town Band*

**Alnwick Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Taylor

**Alnwick Town Band** - Northumberland

Active between 1900 and 1913. Conductor Fred Walsh in 1904

**Alpaca Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s. Alpaca wool was the basis of Titus Salt's woolen empire, culminating in the village of Saltaire. There was an Alpaca Mill at this time which may have been linked to the band.

**Alpaca Temperance Band**

See: *Alpaca Brass Band*

**Alpha Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

See: *Alpha Tube Works Band*

**Alpha Tube Works Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in 1865, when they played at the Cottage Hospital Gala in August.

**Alphington Brass Band** - Devon

Active during the 1990s

**Alresford Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1860s

**Alresford Silver Band** - Essex

Formed in 1910 as Alresford United Brass Band. With a few gaps during the two world wars and another in the 1950s, it finally reformed in 1963, but did not last long as many key players, who belonged to the Prince of Wales Own Regiment, were posted overseas and the band folded for the last time. The bandmaster during 1934-1938 was FW Watsham. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**Alresford Town Band** - New Alresford, Hampshire

Active in the 1900s, to 1908. Conductor T. Collister in 1903, F. Gentle from 1906

**Alsop's Mission Brass Band**

See: *Deansgate Mission Brass Band*

**Alston (Mountain Rifles) Volunteer Band**

See: *Alston Brass Band*

**Alston Amateur Brass Band** - Cumberland

See: *Alston Brass Band*

**Alston Brass Band** - Cumberland

Formed around 1850. May have been renamed to the Alston (Mountain Rifles) Volunteer Band, which in turn became Alston Town Band around 1902. Conductor T. Dowson in 1904. It became a Home Guard band during WW2 and performed its last public engagement in 1946. It was finally wound up in 1960. For further details see "Brass Bands on Alston Moor" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Alston Town Band** - Cumberland

See: *Alston Brass Band*

**Alstonefield Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1864, 1867. It may have folded sometime thereafter as an attempt at reviving the band was made in 1901. Presumably finally folded prior to 1914.

**Alstonefield Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1865

**Alstonefield Village Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1914, its instruments were paid for by public subscription, and it still existed in 1920.

### **Altarnun Brass Band** - Cornwall

Situated west of Launceston, this band was formed c1864 and is known to have carried out engagements up to 1894. A known conductor was G Clifford (who was also conducting Launceston DCR Band). He finished with both bands in 1891 and was succeeded at Altarnun by J Deacon. Performed at the Pensilva Temperance Fete in August 1881, the Jubilee Celebrations in Altarnun in July 1887, and agricultural competitions in Altarnun in 1893, and June 1894.

### **Althorne Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s

### **Althorp Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s. Also known as Brington Brass Band

### **Althorp Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1880s

### **Altofts and Normanton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Formed 1890 by Sir William Garforth. Conductors included: N. Sidebottom, J. Dyson, G. Walsh and Cyril Wilkinson (1950) - Former names: Pope and Pearson Colliery Band, Altofts West Riding and Silkstone Band (1886), West Riding and Silkstone Band (1890), Altofts and Whitwood Collieries Band (1930s), Lee Brig Altofts and Normanton Band

### **Altofts and Whitwood Collieries Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Altofts and Normanton Brass Band*

### **Altofts Silkstone Band**

Active in the 1880s

### **Altofts West Riding and Silkstone Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Altofts and Normanton Brass Band*

### **Alton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

### **Alton Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1850s through to the 1900s. Conductor H. B. WIngett around 1870.

### **Alton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1856

### **Alton Mission Brass Band**

See: *Alton Wesleyan Mission Brass Band*

### **Alton Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s. George Cooper conductor in 1907

### **Altrincham and Dunham Silver Band**

Active between 1877 and 1914

### **Altrincham Borough Band** - Cheshire

Formed in the 1870s. Charles Charles Ashley conductor in 1884. Obtained new instruments in 1899. Active in 1910 and 1927. The band advertised, offering engagements in 1910 and 1918 - the President was John Leigh, Beech Lawn, Altrincham, and the Hon Secretary was James Archer, 16 Moss View, Lloyd Street, Altrincham. The Altrincham Borough Brass Band Ltd. company was incorporated in 1891 and dissolved before 1916. A newspaper report from October 1898 states: "An extraordinary affair took place at Altrincham on Saturday afternoon arising out of the rivalry of two local brass bands. Some months ago the old Altrincham Borough Band divided, and seceding members styled themselves the Altrincham Brass Band. Since its formation the band has been in

open rivalry with the original organization, and the dispute came to a climax when the new band anticipated its rival and obtained the use of Bowdon Athletic Ground, which had been used for several years by the Borough. The sports were held on Saturday afternoon, and the promoters had engaged the band of the Linotype Company to play through the streets. As this band was marching along Railway Street, the members of the Old Borough Band stationed themselves in the square, and while they tried to drown the music of the approaching band they were cheered by hundreds of spectators. When the bands came together, spectators and musicians engaged freely in a series of fights. The arrival of the police put an end to the row. Several bandsmen were severely mauled."

Still active in 1957

**Altrincham Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1864. Conductor Charles Ashley in 1865. In 1887 it headed a procession of local tradesmen to welcome home Ellis Lever who had just been found not guilty in the "Salford Gas Scandal".

**Altrincham Old Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1900s. Promoted a contest in 1901

**Altrincham Prize Band** - Cheshire

Active around 1914, from a picture showing "the band heading a procession, followed by the Local Branch of the Independent Order of Oddfellows entering Railway Street from George Street with the Woolpack Hotel on the left and The Stamford Arms on the right."

**Altrincham Volunteer Band**

Active in 1864

**Alum Rock Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1911

**Alva Brass Band** - Clackmannanshire

Active in 1856, 1863

**Alva Rifle Volunteers Band** - Clackmannanshire

Founded in 1876, active to the early 1900s. Originally formed in 1840 as a military band, then disbanded in 1871,

**Alva Town Silver Band** - Clackmannanshire

Formed as a military band in the 1830s. Became defunct in 1871 and was reformed as a brass band. A prolonged strike in the weaving trade broke it up, but it was resuscitated in 1876. Began contesting in 1879 and by 1888 had competed 28 times, winning 25 prizes totalling £400. Still active in 1950. Merged with the Alloa Burgh Band in 1991 to form Clackmannan District Brass Band.

**Alvaston and Boulton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1863. Conductor in 1892 was Mr T. Morley, secretary O.C. Smith. Still active in 1909

**Alvaston Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1869 and the 1890s. Conductor H. Fieldsend in 1899

**Alvaston Hall Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1870

**Alvechurch Brass Band (1)** - Worcestershire

Active in 1857. Folded prior to 1885, when a successor band was formed.

**Alvechurch Brass Band (2)** - Worcestershire

Formed around 1885 and trained by Mr Thomas Thompson. Active through to the early 1900s. Bandmaster in 1893 was Mr Blundell. Played regularly in the Square on Saturday

evenings during the summer months. Some of the members who played in the band were Blundell Snr, Blundell Jnr, Tommy Jenkins, Jack Truman, Walter Surman and his son, Mr Merryfield and Ben Court. The band was always in attendance at fetes and garden parties, and made a tour of the big houses to play carols at Christmas time. Their most important engagement was, without doubt, to play at the horse show held on Whit Monday.

**Alveley Colliery Band**

See: *Highley Brass Band*

**Alverstoke Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1866.

**Alverstoke Oasis Band** - Hampshire

This band was from Alverstoke School and was formed from members of the Old Alverstoke Scholars Improvement Society. Active in 1861.

**Alverton Brass** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Alvescot Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Alvescot Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1905, conductor A.G. Adams

**Alveston Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1867. In 1872 it travelled on the newly opened railway line from Thornbury to Yate, on September 2nd. Still active in 1899

**Alvins Walkden Brass Band**

See: *Walkden Brass Band*

**Alyth Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1858, 1862

**Amalgamated Musicians' Band** - Sunderland, Durham

See: *Sunderland Amalgamated Musicians' Band*

**Amalgamated Musicians' Union Band** - Dundee, Angus

Active in 1918

**Amalgamated Stevedores' and Labourers' Protection Association Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1893

**Ambergate Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1859, conductor Mr Shotton, competed in a contest at Newcastle in June 1859.

**Amberley and Houghton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor G. Rampton.

**Amberley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1890 to the early 1920s

**Amberley Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1890 to the 1900s

**Amble Amateur Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1876

**Amble and Radcliffe British Legion Band**

Active in the 1950s

**Amble and Radcliffe Colliery Brass Band**

See: *Radcliffe Colliery Band (2)*



**Amble Town Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1907. Merged with Radcliffe Colliery Brass Band in the 1930s to form Amble and Radcliffe Colliery Brass Band

**Amblecote Brass Band** - Dudley, Staffordshire

Active in the 1980s

**Ambleside Rifle Volunteers Band** - Westmorland

Founded in 1882, conductor Mr Skelton. Disbanded in 1906

**Ambleside Town Band** - Westmorland

Formed in the 1890s, active into the 1900s. Conductor Mr Crossland, to 1906, then Mr Backhouse.

**Ambrosden Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[no information]

**American Slave Troupe Brass Band**

Active in 1867. A band attached to a touring show from the U.S.A. "The troupe consisted entirely of national 'darkies', not 'Christy Minstrels'. It is the first time on record that a full brass band, consisting entirely of negroes, has ever appeared in this country". The troupe "prior to June 1865, were held as slaves in America"

**Amers Brass Band (Mr. H. G.)** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in the 1870s, 1880s and around 1906

**Amersham Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Amersham Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1859 through the 1860s

**Amersham Brass Band (2)** - Buckinghamshire

Founded by George Ward in 1890 as Amersham Sons of Temperance Brass Band. George Ward was elected Bandmaster, Secretary and Treasurer at the first meeting - he was a keen local photographer. By 1892 the 'pledge had been broken' and the band had broken away from the 'Sons of Temperance', becoming Amersham Town Band. George Ward remained as bandmaster. Other members around this time included 'Dibe' Keen on bass drum, Tom Baker (trombone), and Jim Redding (euphonium). The band successfully played at the Amersham Flower Show and Fete, held by the Oddfellows and Foresters friendly societies, marching down the high street to the meadow each year in the summer. They also played at the recruitment meeting held on 11th September 1914 at the Town Hall. Old Amersham, rallying the recruitment drive with 'patriotic selections' Unfortunately the band folded during WW1.

**Amersham Brass Band (3)** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in the 1920s. They bought their first brand new uniforms for the Torchlight Jubilee Parade in May 1935 and proudly wore them whilst marching down the High Street to Shardeloes Park for the evening entertainment. The band was led by Herbert Fountain. lost a number of players during WW2 and was officially dissolved in 1951. A successor band was formed in 1977

**Amersham Sons of Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Amersham Brass Band (2)*

**Amersham Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Amersham Brass Band (2)*

**Amesbury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1851, conductor Mr Browne. Secretary M. Truckle in 1897

**Amesbury British Legion Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Amesbury Town Band*

**Amesbury Old Comrades' Hut Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Amesbury Town Band*

**Amesbury Temperance Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Formed in 1905, merged with Amesbury Town Brass Band in 1912

**Amesbury Town Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Amesbury Town Brass Band, Amesbury Old Comrades' Hut Band (1919), Amesbury British Legion Band (1921), Amesbury Town Silver Prize Band (1922) - Note: Merged with Amesbury Temperance Brass Band (1905) in 1912

**Amesbury Town Silver Prize Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Amesbury Town Band*

**AMI Laser Restoration Charlston Band**

See: *Sharlston Colliery Band*

**Amington Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1917 - Note: First bandmaster was Roland Davis. The band began by using old instruments, until they could raise enough money to buy new ones. After they had raised enough money, they also employed a professional tutor, William Pollard. They began to enter competitions and soon began to win them, including the National Brass Band contest held in Crystal Palace, London, in 1924. Much success followed and in 1928 they built their own band room in Sharpe Street and also performed on the BBC

**Amington Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s to WW1. Bandmaster in 1906 was A. Davis. A successor band was formed in 1917.

**Amlwch Brass Band** - Anglesey

Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor in 1891, F. Matthews. Linked also to the Amlwch Conservative Working Men's Club

**Amlwch Conservative Brass Band**

See: *Amlwch Brass Band*

**Ammanford and Betws Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ammanford Town Silver Band*

**Ammanford Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ammanford Town Silver Band*

**Ammanford Town Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1881 - Former names: Betws Brass Band, Ammanford and Betws Brass Band, Ammanford Urban District Silver Band, Ammanford Silver Band

**Ammanford Urban District Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ammanford Town Silver Band*

**Amoco Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

**Amotherby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1864 to 1866

**Ampport Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1860

**Ancholme Iron Works Brass Band** - Brigg, Lincolnshire  
 Founded in 1857, conducted by Mr Acey. The ironworks were owned by James Hart and Sons.

**Anchor Brewery Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk  
 Formed in 1885, active through to 1907

**Ancient Order of Druids' Brass Band** - Stalybridge, Cheshire  
 Active in 1853, conductor W. Brook. Based at Castle Hall

**Ancient Order of Foresters and Kirkby Thore Band**  
 See: *Kirkby Thore Foresters' Brass Band*

**Ancient Order of Foresters Brass Band** - Darlington, Durham  
 Active in 1840

**Ancient Shepherds' Band**  
 See: *Stalybridge Ancient Shepherds' Band*

**Ancoats Excelsior Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
 Active in 1894, bandmaster John Fraser

**Ancoats Lads Club Band**  
 Active in the 1910s to the early 1950s. Obtained new instruments in 1913, bandmaster Mr Taylor

**Ancoats Lads Club Senior Band**  
 See: *Ancoats Lads Club Band*

**Ancoats Perserverance Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
 Active in 1882

**Ancoats Trinity Silver Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
 Active in the late 1960s, early 1970s

**Anderson Brass** - Lancashire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Wardle and District Anderson Brass*

**Anderston St Patrick Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
 Active in 1922

**Andover Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Formed in the 1840s and active through to WW1. E. Sherman conductor in 1903 and 1908.

**Andover Municipal Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1930s, folded during WW2.

**Andover Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s, gaining some players from the rival Andover Town Band in 1901. Bandmaster E. Sherman in 1900, George Kirby in 1908.

**Andover Town Band (1)** - Hampshire  
 See: *Andover Brass Band*

**Andover Town Band (2)** - Hampshire  
 Formed some time after WW2, under Bandmster "Chirpy" Carol, folded before 2000.

**Andover Town Band (3)** - Hampshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 2010

**Andrews Heat for Hire Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**Anerley Schools Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active in the 1880s through to the 1900s. This was based at the North Surrey Industrial School for pauper boys.

### **Anglo-Scotian Mills Brass Band** - Borrowash, Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s, conductor J. Towle in 1892. The mills were owned by Messrs Wilkinson & Company.

### **Angmering Silver Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, it probably disbanded in the 1920s after a hiatus due to WW1. Conductor in 1907 was Mr Peacock. "There was a Silver Band with 18 to 20 players. They had their club room behind The Lamb and met once or twice a week for practice. I always remember the big drum and there were two smaller ones, cymbals, flutes, trombones and cornets. The band marched to Ham Manor to play for Sir Henry and Lady Aubrey-Fletcher on a Saturday evening. When it was dark, a large square lantern was carried on a pole around which the instrumentalists grouped. The band attained a very high standard but was disbanded at the beginning of the 1914 war when many of the men were called up for active service." In 1919 it was reported: "Another old Angmering institution has popped up again, smiling, after its war hibernation. We refer to the Angmering Silver Band. The members have got some new blood and now want some new instruments and music. What is more, they look like getting what they want, for the appeal that has been issued is being generously supported. Anything that adds to gaiety of village life has our strong support, and we wish the Band every success. There was a penchant for parades for any reason that could be devised, with Angmering Silver Band in the vanguard. A marriage or other rite of passage, of a local notable, was always a good reason for celebration. With newspapers centred at Littlehampton and Worthing, Angmering was in a kind of no-man's land between. It is good fortune that any reports were made, and the earliest parades may perhaps not have been covered. August was the month for these events, in all local parishes, and brass and silver bands from Rustington and Angmering were not averse to taking part in each other's procession. In 1904, it was reported, some 150 members of three societies took part, with the two bands included, the regular meeting place being by the Fox Inn. From there, Patching and Clapham were visited, before the long trek down Water Lane to the village green. However, there is evidence that the return was via Hammerpot, so as to take in the upper part of Angmering, and maybe a pub or two." Also in 1919: "Peace Celebrations: The proceedings began at 2.30 with an assembly on the village green for the judging of fancy costumes and decorated vehicles. A procession was marshalled by Mr. Shepherdson, and headed by the Angmering Silver Band and a number of demobilised men, it marched to a meadow at the back of the Rectory, lent by Mr. S. S. Pyle. "

### **Angus (Sir W) Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active around 1919, linked to Sir W. Angus Sunderland and Co. Ltd.

### **Angus Sanderson Brass Band** - Birtley, Northumberland

See: *Sir William Angus, Sanderson and Company Motor Works Band*

### **Annan Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in 1855, 1860

### **Annan Town (APD) Band** - Dumfriesshire

[current band] - Founded in 1961 - Former names: Annan Town Band, Annan Town (LPG Eco-Gas) Band (2000)

### **Annan Town (LPG Eco-Gas) Band** - Dumfriesshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Annan Town (APD) Band*

### **Annan Town Band (1)** - Dumfriesshire

See: *Newbie Engineering Works Multitubular Brass Band*

**Annan Town Band (2) - Dumfriesshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Annan Town (APD) Band*

**Annbank Brass Band - Ayrshire**

Active in 1879, when it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, leading the Free Gardeners lodge, who were about 300 strong, and the band were seated in a lorry drawn by six horses, and decorated with evergreens and flowers so as to give it the appearance of a flower garden. Still active in 1907

**Annesley Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1880s, 1890s

**Annesley United Brass Band**

See: *Annesley Brass Band*

**Annfield Plain Band**

See: *Annfield Plain Colliery Band*

**Annfield Plain Colliery Band - Durham**

Active from 1862 through to the early 1930s

**Ansells Coleshill Band - Warwickshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Coleshill Town Band*

**Anstey Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1851, 1878 and into the 1900s and 1930s. Possibly folded prior to/during WW1 and reformed in the 1920s

**Anston Anvil Brass Band**

See: *Anston Brass Band*

**Anston Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Conducted by G. Ross in 1895. Still active in 1925 and through the 1950s/60s

**Anston United Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1907, conductor Mr Merfin

**Anstruther Brass Band - Fife**

Active in 1866 to 1867

**Ansty Brass Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Anstey Brass Band*

**Ansty Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Formed in the 1830s and active through until the 1950s. Mr Hampston conductor in the early 1900s.

**Apedale Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1850s to 1864

**Apollo Brass Band - Reading, Berkshire**

Active in 1845.

**Apperley Bridge Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1855

**Appleby and Measham Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1920s

**Appleby Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1863, 1864

**Appleby Brass Band - Westmorland**

Formed in the early 1840s. Active in 1855 and 1864. A successor band was formed around 1900

**Appleby Foresters' Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1850s

**Appleby Frodingham Steel Works Band** - Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire

Formed in 1946 when the company bought the assets of a local subscription band. Active through the 1940s/50s/60s. Conductor in 1950 was William H. Kendall. Secretary: A. Peace

**Appleby Prize Band** - Westmorland

[previous name of current band] See: *Appleby Town Band*

**Appleby Town Band** - Westmorland

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Appleby Prize Band

**Appledore Boys Brigade Band** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *Appledore Silver Band*

**Appledore Lads' Naval Brigade Brass Band**

Formed in August 1913, bandmaster T.G. Parsons.

**Appledore Silver Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1942 - Former names: Appledore Boys Brigade Band (to 1965)

**Appledore Town Band**

There are records of a town band in Appledore as far back as the 1880s, and from the turn of the century this was a brass band. It paraded the streets of Northam to celebrate the relief of Ladysmith in 1900. Also played at the Appledore and Instow Regatta in 1900, under the baton of Mr W Parkhouse. It existed until the 1920s when lack of support and players caused it to be disbanded. A successor band was formed in 1942.

**Appleton Brass Band** - Nun Appleton, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Appleton Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1858. Still active in 1888 when it played at Hinton Fete

**Appleton Brass Band (1)** - Appleton-le-Moors, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1860 to 1869.

**Appleton Brass Band (2)** - Appleton-le-Moors, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1876 by John Tomlinson, disbanded in the early 1930s. Another account gives the formation date as 1870.

**Appleton Roebuck Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1861 through the 1860s, and also around 1905

**Appleton-le-Moors Brass Band**

See: *Appleton Brass Band (1) and Appleton Brass Band (2)*

**Apsley Mills Silver Prize Band**

See: *John Dickinson (Apsley) Band*

**Aqueduct Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1850 to 1869

**Arael Griffin Band** - Abertillery, Monmouthshire

Founded around 1879, disbanded in 1902. Probably linked to the Arael Griffin colliery at Abertillery.

**Arbroath Fishermen's Brass Band** - Angus

Active from around 1857 to 1866. Conductor W. Shepherd in 1865. At a concert in 1862 it was remarked that "the band yet stand in need of much training to enable them to appear with advantage".

**Arbroath Instrumental Band** - Angus

[current band] - Founded in 1893

**Arc Works Silver Band** - Chelmsford, Essex

See: *Chelmsford Arc Works Band*

**Archangel Band of the Oddfellows** - Terrington St Clement, Norfolk

Active in the early 1900s

**Arclid Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1858

**Ardingly Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1880s. Obtained new uniforms in 1887, conductor John Inwood. In 1891 it played at Clinton Lodge, Fletching, Friday 2nd August 1912. An archive document from 1896 exists "Draft of Agreement for the dissolution of the two Ardingly Brass Bands and the formation of a fresh Ardingly Brass Band". Took part in a contest at Haywards Heath in 1914. Probably folded during WW1.

**Ardington and Lockinge Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1882/3 and the 1920s/30s

**Ardington Brass Band**

See: *Ardington and Lockinge Band*

**Ardley and Fewcott Band** - Bicester, Oxfordshire

Probably formed in the early 1920s. Active in 1928 when it ran its 3rd annual Brass Band Contest in May - Rugby Steam Shed Band won the 1st Section. The band folded in 1950. At that time it met in the barn behind the Fox and Hounds pub, and by then there were no men just boys. Didn't even have a conductor so they just enjoyed themselves. At the end there were only 6 of them, and they were just told to hand the instruments in, no explanation. Where the instruments went is not known.

**Ardley Great Northern Railway Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1899

**Ardley Providential Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor Eli Shaw in 1866

**Ardley Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1896

**Ardwick Brass Band**

See: *Ardwick Public Brass Band*

**Ardwick Excelsior Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1895

**Ardwick Green Industrial School Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active from the early 1860s through to WW1. Conductor J. Baxter in 1882, George Taylor in 1901 and 1914. Still active in 1916. Played in various parks in Salford in 1910 and 1911. The Manchester Certified (Ragged) Industrial School, Ardwick Green, was founded (certified) in 1857 and closed in 1922. Also known as Manchester Ragged School Brass Band

**Ardwick Industrial School Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Ardwick Green Industrial School Brass Band*

**Ardwick Onward Temperance Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Ardwick Public Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to early 1900s. Conductor Mr Heap in 1878

**Ardwick Scottish Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active from the late 1880s to the 1900s.

**Argyle Hall Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1898 to 1902. Linked to the Argyle Hall Mission at Chester Park, Fishponds.

**Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (TA) Band, 7th**

See: *7th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (TA) Band*

**Ark Mission Brass Band** - Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s. The Ark Mission was located in Sun Street.

**Arkendale Brass Band**

See: *Arkengarthdale Band*

**Arkengarth Dale Brass Band**

See: *Arkengarthdale Band*

**Arkengarthdale Band** - Gunnerside, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1859, 1863, and in 1884, when it led a procession on Christmas Eve, and 1894 in a procession in Richmond. Still active in 1907. Presumed to have folded during WW1. A successor band was probably formed in the 1920s, and was active in 1939.

**Arkengarthdale Saxhorn Band**

See: *Arkengarthdale Band*

**Arlesey Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1887 and 1898 and rehearsed in the Arlesley Working Mens' Institute. Still active in 1939. In 1892 the band was recorded as being the "combined band of the Arlesey Portland Cement Co. and H Company Volunteers". Charles Dear became conductor in 1900. J. Dodgson conductor in 1919.

**Arlesey Cement Works Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Arlesey Portland Cement Company Brass Band*

**Arlesey Portland Cement Company Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1888 and 1892

**Arlesey Volunteers Brass Band**

See: *Arlesey Brass Band*

**Arley Adult School Band**

Active in the 1920s

**Arley Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1885 and 1916

**Arley Colliery Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Arley Welfare Band*

**Arley Miners' Silver Prize Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Arley Welfare Band*

**Arley Welfare Band** - Warwickshire

Formed after WW2, conductor in 1949 was F.W. Locker. Changed name around 1980 to Daw Mill Colliery Band. Folded around 2000.

**Armadale Brass Band (1)**

Formed in 1855, but folded in the early 1860s. See: "Armadale Brass Bands" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for more details

**Armadale Brass Band (2)**

Formed in 1873 and folded c. 1903, the council collecting and storing the instruments in 1904. See: "Armadale Brass Bands" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for more details



### **Armadale Brass Band (3)**

Formed in September 1932 composed of players who did not join the Armadale Public Band. A proposal to join with the Armadale Public Band was made a year later, in 1933

### **Armadale Burgh Band**

See: *Armadale Public Band*

### **Armadale Diamond Jubilee Band**

Formed in 1897 from the original Armadale Flute Band (1873), but also folded around 1903. See: "Armadale Brass Bands" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for more details

### **Armadale Jubilee Band**

See: *Armadale Diamond Jubilee Band*

### **Armadale Public Band**

Active in 1928 and 1966 through to the late 1980s.

### **Armadale Silver Band**

See: *Armadale Public Band*

### **Armadale Town Band**

Formed in 1905. Active in 1912, but folded sometime prior to 1931. See also: "Armadale Brass Bands at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk).

### **Armbank Brass Band**

Active in 1872, when they participated in the celebrations for the opening of the new Orange Hall in Irvine.

### **Armitage Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in 1912

### **Armitage Bridge Brass Band**

See: *Berry Brow Brass Band*

### **Armley and Wortley Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Wortley Brass Band*

### **Armley and Wortley Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1894 by T.A. Kitchen (previously secretary of the Leeds Engineers' Band), it hoped to purchase the instruments of the Leeds Forge Band from Samson Fox. Conductor B.D. Jackson in 1896. Active through to the 1970s. The band were based in the south western part of Leeds very near to Armley Jail. When the Leeds Forge Band folded in 1892 it took over their uniforms, instruments and music (offered by Samson Fox, owner of Leeds Forge and sponsor of the band). J.S. Glover became conductor in 1900, succeeded by H. Mallinson in 1901. It was very successful during the 1930s. It was revived for a brief spell in the late 1960s early 1970s. The rehearsal room was at the Holy Family club. Rehearsals Sunday mornings. Cecil Dowling had been connected with the band for many years and it was his fervent wish to see it revived - he had played top cornet with them in the glory days. He was a keen supporter of the Harrogate and District band Association and helped organise contests at Yeadon Town Hall. The old band uniforms were stored under the stage and they had choker collars, there may have been pill box hats as well. During this revival the band never got beyond a handful of players so no jobs were undertaken. It was a sign of the times that a few of the old stagers smoked a lot and the G trom player used the end of his case as an ashtray! You never see G trombones these days. Those long slides with a handle! I once heard one described as "come back or I'll fetch thi". (Thanks to Bob Thomas for these memories)

### **Armley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1851 to 1867. Leader John Beecroft in 1866

**Armley Church Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1890

**Armstrong Whitworth Steelworks (Openshaw) Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s

**Armstrong's Model Brass Band** - Blyth,  
Active in 1871

**Armthorpe Elmfield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1964

**Armthorpe High School Band**  
Active in the 1970s, but had folded by 1980

**Arnfield Brass** - Tintwistle, Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2001

**Arngthyll and Cowley Colliery Band**  
Active in 1907. The colliery was owned by Cargo Iron Fleet Works in Middlesbrough

**Arniston and Vogrie Colliery Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active in 1868

**Arniston Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active from the 1860s until it merged with the Gorebridge Brass Band in 1909 to form the Gorebridge and Arniston Band

**Arnold Albion Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in August 1894, when they marched for an Oddfellows parade at Drybrook.  
Played at a cricket match at Bestwood Park Cricket Club in May 1895. At the Arnold and Bestwood Floral and Horticultural Society Show in July 1898, Arnold Albion Band played music on the Monday, followed by the Arnold United Prize Band on the Tuesday. Similarly in 1899. Still active in 1910

**Arnold Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1853 to 1867

**Arnold Church Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1886/87

**Arnold United Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s/90s and 1922

**Arran Brass Band** - Buteshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1983

**Arrow Valley Brass** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Former names: Alcester Victoria Youth Band (to 1990)

**Arsenal Football Club Band**  
See: *Highgate Silver Band*

**Arson Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in 1860, playing a concert in June that year in Drayton.

**Arthur and Edward Colliery Band** - Lydbrook, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1920s/1930s

**Arthur Newsome Public Works Band** - Burley-in-Wharfedale, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1920/30s

**Artisans and Fulham Borough Band** - Fulham, Middlesex  
Active in 1899

**Arundel Brass Band** - Sussex  
See: *Arundel Town Brass Band*

**Arundel Temperance Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in 1851

**Arundel Town Boys' Band - Sussex**

Active around 1880

**Arundel Town Brass Band - Sussex**

Flourished between 1857 and the 1890s. Conductor Mr Blackborne (Blackman?) in 1864. Regularly playing in the market place and in the castle grounds during the summer, and touring several times in France; the Blackman family which ran it were involved in other aspects of Arundel's musical life over three generations: the church choir from the later 19th century, a dance band, and a concert party which performed over a wide hinterland in the 20th century. It appears to have developed from a fife and drum band in the 1860s and through a brass band chiefly of youths, with Mr. E. Blackman as conductor, to its great credit in the 1870s, had progressed so successfully that it won the championship at the first amateur Brass Band Competition in Sussex held at the now almost forgotten Swiss Gardens, Shoreham. Rossini's Overture, "Semiramide," as the test piece on that occasion required great executive skill such as but few amateur bands of the period could show. Subsequently about the same time on its merits it was engaged to perform at Boulogne and Paris. This band, of about 20 Saxhorn players, under the bandmasters Blackman, father soprano, and son solo cornet - in his day the finest soloist in the County - enjoyed a very high well-earned reputation through the years as the band of the 2nd administrative Battalion of the Royal Sussex Rifle Volunteer Regiment. Though a brass band, it was never "brassy." Its tone was refined and very pleasing and its executive ability excellent. It regularly performed in the Town Square and one can hardly imagine a more delightful setting for its charming performances of some of the classical overtures and operatic selections together with National melodies interspersed with lighter music given under Mr. Blackman's baton for many years in the beautiful Arundel Castle grounds on fine summer evenings. The band ceased its connection with the Regiment in 1892 and did not long survive the early death of its talented bandmaster.

**Ascot and Sunninghill Band - Berkshire**

Active in 1937

**Ascot Brass - Berkshire**

[current band] - Founded in 2001

**Ascot United Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. Obtained new uniforms in 1900. Conductor W. Trusler in 1891.

**ASDA Hambleton Brass Band**

Active in 1990

**ASDA Manufacturing Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *South Milford Brass*

**ASDA Stocksbridge Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**Ash Brass Band - Kent**

Founded in October 1887, securing the services of Mr Abbott, bandmaster of the East Kent Rifle Volunteers. Some members bought their own instruments, others by means of a very willing public subscription. For a time the air was made hideous by sounds on every side of a most discordant nature, and the wives and neighbours of the young men

of the band found it prudent to go out to tea at a little distance when the members of the band took to practising. However they soon attained a good standard.

**Ash Invicta Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1891, conductor W.T. Cunningham

**Ashborne Rechabite Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1890

**Ashbourne Brass and Rifle Corps Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ashbourne Town Band*

**Ashbourne Old Volunteer and Town Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ashbourne Town Band*

**Ashbourne Town and Old Volunteer Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ashbourne Town Band*

**Ashbourne Town Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1861 - Former names: Ashbourne Brass and Rifle Corps Band, Ashbourne Town and Old Volunteer Band (1925), Ashbourne Old Volunteer and Town Silver Band (1932), Ashbourne Town Band (1936) - Note: Other related bands: Ashbourne Volunteer Band, Bells Band, Rechabites Band - all in Ashbourne in 1889

**Ashburton Brass Band** - Devon

Active from the 1840s to the 1920s. Was associated with the Volunteers during the 1890s and 1900s, before severing the connection in 1909. Conductor in 1924 was A.G. Egbeer.

**Ashburton Mission Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1935

**Ashburton Town Band** - Devon

See: *Ashburton Brass Band*

**Ashburton Volunteers Band** - Devon

See: *Ashburton Brass Band*

**Ashbury Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1853

**Ashbury Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Ashbury Carriage Company Brass Band*

**Ashbury Carriage Company Brass Band** - Openshaw, Lancashire

Active in 1868, 1869

**Ashby and District Men's Association Brass Band** - Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire

See: *Ashby Men's Institute Brass Band*

**Ashby Brass Band** - Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire

See: *Ashby de la Zouch Brass Band*

**Ashby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Ashby Public Subscription Band*

**Ashby de la Zouch Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1854, playing at Moira Baths Horticultural Fete

**Ashby Institute Brass Band**

See: *Ashby Men's Institute Brass Band*

**Ashby Men's Institute Brass Band** - Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire

Founded in 1910, conductor Mr Cassell. Uniforms and some instruments were provided by C. H. Parsons, managing director of the Witch Soap Works. A new bandroom was acquired in 1912. Active through to the 1930s

**Ashby Public Subscription Band** - Lincolnshire

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Took part in the Winterton Sports and Gala on 28 June 1919. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Took part in the Scunthorpe coronation celebrations of 1937.

**Ashby Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Ashby Public Subscription Band*

**Ashby Volunteer Band** - Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s/90s - possible rename/successor to the Ashby Brass Band

**Ashcott and Polden Hill Brass Band**

See: *Ashcott Brass Band*

**Ashcott Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Leader Mr Farrow in 1869. Secretary William Farrow in 1880. An attempt was made to revive the band in 1923, but it is likely that was unsuccessful.

**Ashdown Forest Temperance Band** - Sussex

The Band was formed in 1902 and consisted mainly of musicians from Nutley and Fairwarp with a practice hut midway between the two villages. They provided a great deal of local entertainment until in 1911 when they split, 'by amicable decision', into two separate bands and the bandsmen formed up outside the band-hut and the two halves marched off playing in opposite directions, dividing into the Nutley Brass Band led by Charlie Wickham, and the Fairwarp Brass Band led by Ernie Best. The musicians were not very temperate at all. They liked a 'drop of sherbert', sherbert being a generic term for all alcoholic drinks; 'going off to have a glass of sherbert' sounded less indulgent than having a glass of beer, although it fooled no-one. "One time the band was going to a fete at Fairwarp and the easiest way to get from Nutley to Fairwarp was through the Forest. Well, on the way through the Forest, one of these cornet players, 'e wanted to relieve himself, so he laid his cornet down, and then when they got to the fete, he started blowing his cornet and he couldn't get no sound out of it, you see. So he pulled the turning slide out of it, and when he'd laid it down, a little adder had crawled in that bell of the cornet and got down into that tuning slide. Yeh! It wouldn't have got into his mouth because it couldn't get up through the valves where you press them down, but when he sees that adder come out!" Another report from the early part of the century notes: "A procession headed by Mr H W Attenborough as Mephistopheles, riding a horse, followed by the Ashdown Temperance Prize Band, went to the vicarage and to Strood, then to the Sheffield Arms where there was a halt for refreshments. With a fresh supply of torches and coloured lights, and joined by many more people, the procession arrived at Sheffield House where his Lordship, who was indisposed, watched from his bedroom. The evening ended with effigies of Guy Fawkes and the New Woman, a suffragette, being consumed by the flames of the bonfire at Splaynes Green." Joseph Ridley (b 1842) was a very good self-taught carpenter. When the Ashdown Forest Temperance Band was formed, he built them a tin practice hut in one of his fields, an orchard at Horney Common, at a rent of one shilling a week. Frank Tyler Ridley was a founder member (with his brother Spencer) and secretary of the Ashdown Forest Temperance Band in 1904 and later, after the split with the Fairwarp members of that Band he was secretary of the Nutley Band.

**Ashford Brass Band** - Ashford-in-the-Water, Derbyshire

Active in 1891, taking part in a well dressing at Pilsley, and Whit processions at Taddington.

**Ashford Brass Band - Kent**

See: *Ashford Town Band*

**Ashford Industrial School Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the early 1900s to 1910

**Ashford Railway Works Prize Band - Kent**

Active from the early 1900s through to the mid 1920s

**Ashford Residential School Band**

See: *Ashford Industrial School Brass Band*

**Ashford Town Band - Kent**

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s, and the 1920s/1930s

**Ashford Town Band - Middlesex**

Active in 1914 and 1916, conductor R. Perry.

**Ashford Volunteers Band - Kent**

Active in the 1900s, conductor W.P. Thorne

**Ashford Wesleyan Sunday School Brass Band - Middlesex**

Active in the 1900s. Conductor C.W. Streeves.

**Ashgrove Band**

Formed in 1979 as Ashgrove Primary School Band. Merged with Oldpark Silver Band in 2000. Merged with the C.W.A. Brass in 2009 to form Carrick With Ashgrove Brass

**Ashgrove Primary School Band**

See: *Ashgrove Band*

**Ashill Brass Band - Norfolk**

Active in 1897

**Ashington Colliery Band (1) - Northumberland**

Active in 1867 (conductor Matthew Taylor) to the late 1890s. Secretary James Purdy in 1868. Conductor Thomas Floyd in 1883. A successor band was formed in 1906.

**Ashington Colliery Band (2) - Northumberland**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wansbeck's Ashington Colliery Band*

**Ashington Duke Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor in 1899, Thomas Boutland

**Ashington Harmonic Band - Northumberland**

Active in 1919, conductor H. Boutland

**Ashington Model Band - Northumberland**

Active in the 1890s to 1900s

**Ashington Public Band - Northumberland**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wansbeck's Ashington Colliery Band*

**Ashington Silver Model Band - Northumberland**

See: *Ashington Model Band*

**Ashley Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Ashley Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1850s

**Ashley Excelsior Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Formed in September 1899. Active through the 1900s

**Ashley Vale Brass Band**

See: *Gatton Old Brass Band*

**Ashley's Brass Band** - Retford, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1870s

**Ashover Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1890s

**Ashover Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1861. A successor band (the current Ashover Band) was formed in 1890

**Ashover United Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1870, still active in 1905

**Ashperton Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1869, conductor Mr Moss (the schoolmaster)

**Ashridge Brass Band** - Little Gaddesden, Hertfordshire  
Active in 1866. Based on the Ashridge Estate, home of Earl Brownlow

**Ashton Borough Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. It was expelled from the federation in 1906.

**Ashton Brass Band** - Ashton-Under-Lyne, Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1996 - Former names: Ashton Under Lyne Brass Band

**Ashton Brass Band** - Long Ashton, Gloucestershire  
See: *Long Ashton Brass Band*

**Ashton Catholic Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in 1863

**Ashton Congregational Temperance Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Ashton Keynes Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1861

**Ashton Street Mission Brass Band** - Luton, Bedfordshire  
Active in 1855, and in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductors W. Roberts in 1883, Harry Cannon, then A. Everitt in 1895. Some players left the band in 1890 due to the restrictions laid down by the Mission (e.g. not taking part in competitions) to found the Luton Red Cross Band. The band was still active in the 1900s.

**Ashton Temperance Band** - Ashton-in-Makerfield, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Ashton Under Lyne Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Ashton Brass Band*

**Ashton United Free Gardeners Amateur Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in 1868. Associated with the "Excelsior Lodge" of the Free Gardeners

**Ashton Volunteers Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Thomas Hill in 1906

**Ashtonian Brass Band**  
Active in the 1970s/80s

**Ashton-in-Makerfield Brass Band**  
Active in 1883 when it competed in the British Open, and still playing in 1910

**Ashton-Under-Lyne Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Folded in the early 1980s. A successor band was formed in 1996

**Ashton-upon-Mersey Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1930s

**Ashwell Brass Band**  
See: *Ashwell Foresters Band*

**Ashwell Foresters Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s and into the early 1900s

**Ashworth Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active from the 1960s through to around 2012

**Askam and Ireleth Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Askam Town Silver Band*

**Askam Town Silver Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1888 - Former names: Askam & Ireleth Silver Band - Note: Founded by Mr Cain, its first conductor

**Askern Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1930s through to the early 1990s

**Askern Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Askern Colliery Band*

**Askham Amateur Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Askham Brass Band*

**Askham Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1851 to 1869. Conductor Mr Moss in 1869

**Askrigg and Bainbridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1888

**Askrigg Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s through to WW1.

**Aspatria Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1851 to 1866. Conductor Mr Thomas in 1863

**Aspatria Colliery Prize Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1920s and 1930s

**Aspatria Town Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s and also around 1957 - 1964

**Aspatria Volunteer Fire Brigade Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1890s, when Joseph Wilkinson was the secretary and conductor, and into the 1900s.

**Asphaltic Newham Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

**Aspley Heath Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1880s

**Aspley Mills Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1900

**Aspull Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active between 1890 and 1910

**Astcote Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Folded at some time to be replaced by the Astcote Independent Band.

**Astcote Independent Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1888, bandmaster W.H. Hornsby. Probably merged with another band? in the 1890s to form Astcote United Band.

**Astcote United Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active around 1900 - 1930s. In 1903 their uniform was "scarlet and gold". Conductor in 1900 was Mr. Lay, in 1901, W. Trussler, in 1935, Mr. H. Clarke.



**Astley Brass Band**

See: *Astley Public Band*

**Astley Bridge Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1860s. James Nightingale leader in 1862

**Astley Missionary Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1936

**Astley Public Band** - Lancashire

Competed in contests at Leigh in 1884. Also active in 1911

**Astley Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s, but did not survive beyond 1887. Money held in trust for new instruments was used to create the Astley Victoria Reed Band in 1988, the forerunner of the current Adamson Military Band.

**Astley Youth Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1994

**Aston Borough Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Aston Brass Band** - Aston Tirrold, Berkshire

See: *Aston Tirrold Brass Band*

**Aston Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Aston Old Band*

**Aston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Aston Church Army Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Aston Clinton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1858 and 1914

**Aston Clinton Brotherhood Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Founded in 1908

**Aston Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Zealley's Brass Band*

**Aston Old Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Acquired new uniforms in 1899, conductor Fred Hughes. Known as Aston Silver Band in the later 1900s, becoming attached to the local Volunteer Corps, conductor W.F. Rowe

**Aston Parish Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Aston Silver Band** - Aston-on-Trent, Derbyshire

Active in 1945

**Aston Silver Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Aston Old Brass Band*

**Aston Tirrold Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1866 to 1869

**Aston Villa Football Club Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the early 1900s, acquired new uniforms in 1905.

**Aston Water Works Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

- Aston-cum-Aughton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1907.
- Aston-on-Trent Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
Formed in 1870, active through to the mid-1890s, folded some time before 1900.
- Aston-on-Trent Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire  
Formed in 1902
- Astwood Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1863
- ATC Bristol Wing Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1959/50
- Atherstone Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in from the 1850s to the early 1900s. In 1905, conducted by Mr J. B. Coxon.  
Possibly succeeded by or renamed to Atherstone Victoria Band.
- Atherstone Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the late 1870s and 1880s
- Atherstone Britannia Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1898 when they were requested not to play on the "Outwoods" on Sundays, excepting sacred music.
- Atherstone Club Band**  
See: *Atherstone Miners Welfare Band*
- Atherstone Miners Welfare Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1950s to 1960s. Disbanded in 1966
- Atherstone Victoria Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the early 1900s. Possibly renamed from or a successor to Atherstone Brass Band. Still active in the 1920s
- Atherton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1856, 1863
- Atherton Public Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1940s. Conductor in the early 1900s was Paul Shovleton, followed by Daniel Hodgson in 1905. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by A Fairclough).
- Atherton Rifles Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- Atherton Temperance Prize Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1891. In 1893 it promoted a contest. Records of the band, from 1927-1959, are held by Wigan MBC Archives Service
- Atlas Copco (Dacorum) Band**  
See: *John Dickinson (Apsley) Band*
- Atlas Steel Works Brass Band** - Brightside, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1904. Based at the John Brown company steelworks.
- ATM Works Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Formed in September 1941 from employees of Messrs. Automatic Telephone and Electric Co. Ltd., under the auspices of Mr F.C. Burstall, one of the company directors. The first bandmaster was Mr W. Heath, but had to pass the baton to George Gardner, due to ill health, by 1943. In 1951 competed in the Championship section North West regional championships at the Victoria Hall, Bolton, conducted by W.H. Yates. Still active in 1960.

**Attercliffe and Darnall Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1943 - possibly same as Attercliffe Institute Band

**Attercliffe and Grimesthorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Attercliffe Brass Band*

**Attercliffe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1850 through to the 1890s. George Holland (d. 1861) was a member of the band in the 1850s

**Attercliffe Club and Institute Band**  
See: *Attercliffe Institute Band*

**Attercliffe Common Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1870s to the 1890s

**Attercliffe Institute Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the mid 1920s through to the 1940s

**Attercliffe Wesleyan Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s

**Attleborough Volunteers Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the early 1900s

**Atworth Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1900s

**Auchenblae Brass Band** - Kincardineshire  
Active in 1884

**Auchenheath Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1864 to 1869

**Auchinairn Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor W. Maddock in 1899.

**Auchinblae Band**  
See: *Auchenblae Brass Band*

**Auchinleck Academy Silver Band** - Ayrshire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s, conductor Hugh Johnstone. Also active in the mid-2000s

**Auchinleck Brass Band** - Ayrshire  
Active in 1905, when they gained 3rd place in the Ayrshire Brass Band Association contest on 1 September. Still active in 1909.

**Auchinraith Silver Band** - Hamilton, Lanarkshire  
Active in the early 1900s and the 1920s

**Auchmull Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire  
Active in 1884

**Auchterarder Brass Band** - Perthshire  
Active from the early 1860s to WW1. Bandmaster Mr Smith in 1896

**Auchterarder Instrumental Brass Band** - Perthshire  
See: *Auchterarder Brass Band*

**Auchterderran Brass Band** - Fife  
Active in 1911

**Auchterderran Secondary School Band** - Fife  
Active in 1957

**Auchtergaven Brass Band** - Bankfoot, Perthshire  
See: *Bankfoot Brass Band*

**Auchtermuchty Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the late 1830s and 1840s, temporarily folding in 1859. A successor band was quickly formed, appearing in contests in Glasgow and Perth in 1861. In 1863 it played at the opening of Dundee People's Park, conductor David Johnston. Still active in the 1900s. It probably ceased prior to WW1, reforming as Auchtermuchty Town Band, though still referred to as Auchtermuchty Brass Band.

**Auchtermuchty Town Band** - Fife

Formed in the early 1920s. Active through to 1950, conducted by John Faulds.

**Auckland Park Colliery Band** - Durham

Active between the 1870s and 1920. Bandmaster J. Sellars in the late 1890s and early 1900s

**Auckland Park Temperance Band** - Durham

See: *Auckland Park Colliery Band*

**Auckland Silver Band** - Bishop Auckland, Durham

Active in the early 1900s

**Audenshaw and Droylsden Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Audenshaw Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1882

**Audley and District Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Audley Brass Band*

**Audley and District Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1977 by members who split away from Audley Brass Band. It remerged with Audley Brass Band in 1988

**Audley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Audley Mission Band, Audley Primitive Mission Band, Audley Prize Band (1920s), - Note: Audley and District Band - split from the band in 1977 only to remerge in 1988

**Audley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1902

**Audley Mission Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Audley Brass Band*

**Audley Primitive Mission Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Audley Brass Band*

**Audley Prize Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Audley Brass Band*

**Aughton Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s.

**Aughton Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Founded in 1904, conductor Joseph Leadbetter. Also known as Town Green and Aughton Band

**Aunt Bessie's East Yorkshire Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *East Riding of Yorkshire Band*

**Austin Motor Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Formed in 1917, giving their first public concert in August that year. Active through to WW2 at least.

**Austin Rover Group Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*

**Austin Rover Morris Motors Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*

**Austwick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855 when it played at the Bentham Friendly Society Celebration in June. Still playing in 1869.

**Automatic Telephone and Electric Works Band**

See: *ATM Works Band*

**Auxiliary Fire Service Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active during World War 2

**Avalon Brass Band** - Glastonbury, Somerset

Active in 1888, bandmaster T. Rice

**Avan Valley Brass Band**

See: *Afan Valley Workmen's Prize Band*

**Avebury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1865 to 1868

**Aveley and Newham Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1995 - Note: Formed by the merger of Aveley Band and Newham Band in 1995

**Aveley Brass Band** - Essex

Founded as a Fife and Drum band at the rear of the Crown and Anchor public house in 1894, by the Bandmaster of the training ship "Cornwall". By 1899 it had evolved into an all brass ensemble performing as Aveley Silver Prize Band. It was known as the Aveley Band in 1966. It amalgamated with the Newham Band in 1995.

**Avening Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1927

**Avery's Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1889 and into the 1900s

**Avon County Youth Brass Band**

Active in the 1970s/80s

**Avon School of Music Brass Band**

Formed in 1974 from a quartet,

**Avon Side Engineers' Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Avonside Ironworks Brass Band*

**Avon Street Gas Works Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Bristol Gas Company Brass Band*

**Avon Vale Brass Band** - Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Hobbs in 1886

**Avonbank (Evesham) Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Avonbank Brass Band*

**Avonbank Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1948 - Former names: Evesham Methodist Youth Brass Band, Avonbank (Evesham) Brass Band

**Avonmouth Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1865

**Avonmouth CMBC Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1899

**Avonmouth Labour Band**

See: *Shirehampton and Avonmouth Brass Band*

**Avonside Ironworks Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1860, 1861

**Avro Works Band** - Failsworth, Lancashire

Active in 1940s

**Awre Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed before 1843 and was in regular demand for events in the Forest area during the mid 19th century

**Awsworth Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Axbridge Union Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1864, a junior band based at the workhouse. Conductor Mr Salisbury in 1869

**Axminster Brass Band** - Devon

Formed in the 1840s. In 1850 it was engaged by the organist of the parish church, who had been replaced, to play outside the church to disrupt the first performance of his replacement. The band were plied with beer and posted near the church with instructions that, on a given signal, they were to strike up with Rule Britannia, God Save the Queen, and the Black Joke, and to keep it up until the service was ended. Bandmaster in 1866 was George Fry. Conductor in 1905, J. Clist. Conductor in 1922, H. Cawley. New instruments (18 in number) were acquired in 1924 at a cost of £220. Disbanded 1937. Also known as Pride of Axe Brass Band in the 1890s

**Axminster Evening Institute Silver Band** - Devon

Formed 1942 when Axminster Higher Education Committee took over the instruments previously used by the disbanded Axminster Town Band. Conducted by C. E. Turner in 1950. Still active in 1960.

**Axminster Institute Band** - Devon

See: *Axminster Evening Institute Silver Band*

**Axwell Colliery Band** - Swalwell, Durham

See: *Axwell Park Colliery Band*

**Axwell Park Colliery Band** - Swalwell, Durham

Active in the early 1900s, up to WW1.

**Aycliffe and Brancepeth Band** - Durham

[current band] - Note: Formed by the merger of Brancepeth Welfare Band and Aycliffe Brass Band

**Aycliffe Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Newton Aycliffe Town Band*

**Aylesbury Amateur Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Aylesbury Brass Band*

**Aylesbury Borough Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed after WW1, folded in the 1930s. They were presented with new uniforms and instruments in 1920. The instruments were in store for a while before the British Legion Band took them over. The instruments went to France with the Bucks Territorial Band during WW2. Half the instruments fell into the hands of the Germans during the Dunkirk retreat, the other half were hidden in a box in the house of the 84 year old

woman with whom the Adjutant had been billeted. They were rescued after the liberation of France in 1944.

**Aylesbury Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1850s to the 1880s. Conductor E. Woodman in 1861, George Caton at some other date. After it folded the C.E.T.S. Band took over in the town.

**Aylesbury C.E.T.S. Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Church of England Temperance Society band. Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor in 1895 was J. Prothero

**Aylesbury Lads Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Aylesbury C.E.T.S. Brass Band*

**Aylesbury Music Centre Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1970s to 1990s

**Aylesbury Printing Works Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Hazells (Aylesbury) Printing Works Band*

**Aylesbury Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Aylesbury C.E.T.S. Brass Band*

**Aylesbury Victoria Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1889

**Aylesford Brass Band** - Kent

Active around 1905

**Aylesham and Snowdown Band** - Kent

Active in 1960

**Aylesham Silver Prize Band** - Kent

Active in the 1930s

**Aylsham Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Aylsham Fellowship Band (to 1939)

**Aylsham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Formed in the mid-1850s

**Aylsham Fellowship Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Aylsham Band*

**Aylsham Volunteers Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s, disbanding in 1919

**Ayr and Galoway Volunteers Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1880s

**Ayr Benwhat Band** - Ayrshire

See: *Benwhat Silver Band*

**Ayr Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1880s and onward. Conductor in 1900, Harry R. Sime, A. Robinson from 1907. Became official town band, supported by the burgh, in 1911, bandmaster L. Worthington. Disbanded in 1916 when the council withdrew its support. Presumed to have reformed after WW1. Still active in 1950. Amalgamated with Benwhat Silver Band in the late 1970s to form Ayr Benwhat Silver Band.

**Ayresome Quoit Club Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the late 1920s

**Ayrshire (ECO) Yeomanry Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1960s/1970s

**Ayrshire Yeomanry Band** - Ayrshire

See: *Ayrshire (ECO) Yeomanry Band*

**Ayton Band** - Great Ayton, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1906

**Ayton Temperance Brass Band** - Great Ayton, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1851

**B Division Police Brass Band** - Chelsea, Middlesex

Active in 1863. See also D, E, G, H, K, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**B M and W Brass** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1964 - Note: Amalgamation of the town bands of Brassington, Middleton and Wirksworth

**B Winning Colliery Band**

See: *Blackwell and B Winning Colliery Band*

**B.A. Christy's Brass Band**

See: *Bridgwater Christy's Brass Band*

**B.I. Silver Band**

Active in 1947

**B.I.H.C. (British Insulated and Helsby Cables) Band**

Active in the 1920s when the conductor was Mr. W. Boots.

**B.M.C. Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*

**B.O. and S. Band**

See: *Barry Ostlere and Shepherd Band*

**B.O.C.M. (Hull) Band**

See: *British Oil and Cake Mills Band*

**B.V.C.O.L. Band**

See: *Barlestone Band*

**Babbington Ambulance Band**

See: *Kimberley Brass Band*

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**Babbington Coal Company Brass Band**

See: *Kimberley Brass Band*

**Babbington Colliery St John Ambulance Band**

See: *Kimberley Brass Band*

**Babcock and Wilcox Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Active in 1927

**Backbarrow Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the mid-1860s and the 1900s

**Backworth Collieries Workmen's Band** - Northumberland

See: *Backworth Colliery Band*

**Backworth Colliery Band** - Northumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Backworth Institute Band, Backworth Colliery Band, Five Rivers Brass (2001 to 2007)

**Backworth Excelsior Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1889



- Backworth Institute Band** - Northumberland  
[previous name of current band] See: *Backworth Colliery Band*
- Bactiguard Wire Brass** - Warrington, Lancashire  
See: *Wire Brass*
- Bacup Borough Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1885 - 1895
- Bacup Boys Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- Bacup Change Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Change Amateur Brass Band*
- Bacup Church Literary Institute Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1854
- Bacup Home Guard Band** - Lancashire  
Active during WW2
- Bacup Old Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1858 as the Broadclough Brass Band by John Stevenson (soprano cornet). Members of the defunct Bacup St John's Band also joined, including the conductor John Lord. It became the 4th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Bacup) Band in 1859. Through the 1860s a very successful run of contesting gave the Bacup Band a huge following in the local area. It left the Volunteers in 1870 and became the Bacup Old Band, only to disband in 1871 or 1872.
- Bacup Recreation Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1907
- Bacup Schools Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s
- Bacup St John's Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s, its remaining members joining the new Broadclough Band in 1858.
- Bacup Wellington Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the early 1860s to the 1870s. Possibly the same as the Bacup Old Band in its "volunteers" period.
- Baddesley Ensor Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1884
- Baddow Brass Band**  
See: *Great Baddow Brass Band*
- Badshot Lea Amateur Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1913 - Walter and Harry Roe were players
- BAE Systems Brass Band** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Elliot Concert Brass, G.E.C. Maidstone Band (1986), GEC Avionics (Rochester) Brass Band (1988), GEC-Marconi Avionics Brass Band (1995) - Note: Amalgamated with Trinity Brass from Maidstone in 1985/6
- BAE Systems Marine Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the early 2000s
- Bagillt Excelsior Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Active in the 1890s through to 1930
- Bagillt Industrial Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Active in 1896

**Bagley's (Bottle Works) Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Knottingley (Bagleys) Glass Works Band*

**Bagshot Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to WW1

**Bagshot Institute Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Bagthorpe Baptist Brass Band**

See: *Bagthorpe Brass Band*

**Bagthorpe Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active around 1898 - 1910. Conductor W. Wagstaffe in 1900

**Bagworth Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from 1887 through to 1932

**Baildon Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s through to the end of the 1930s. Leader S. Bentley in 1860. Often practised out of doors in summer on Baildon Moor at the junction of the Hawksworth and Bingley roads where there were a number of seats.

**Baildon Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1873 through 1884

**Baillieston Brass Band**

Founded May 1874. In 1888 they had attended two contests; won two prizes, value £5. The then conductor was Mr. W. B. Howell; Bandmaster 1st L.R.V.; a member of band of 92nd Highlanders who rose to be band-sergeant; studied at Kneller Hall. Settled in Glasgow; seventeen years bandmaster of the 6th L.R.V. before receiving this appointment. Taught several brass bands. Still active in 1950, though it seems to have ceased contesting after WW2. One player, when staying at a hotel in the early 1900s, signed the register as B.B.B.B.B.B. When asked what it stood for, he said: "The Best Bloomin' Bugler in the Baillieston Brass Band"!

**Bainbridge Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s to 1869

**Bainbridge Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed prior to 1900, active through to WW1. In 1911 the band played all afternoon at Middleham castle for the Coronation celebrations of King George V, and then had to play for a dance in the evening at the castle. After the dance they travelled by waggonette to Leyburn Railway station arriving at 4.30 am. They had to wait over an hour for the train back to Askrigg. To make the walk to Bainbridge seem easier they decided to march back playing their instruments. They arrived in Bainbridge at 6.00am and proceeded through the village still playing their instruments waking everyone up who was within earshot of the band. After a good breakfast the band played for the rest of the day at Bainbridge for their Coronation celebrations

**Bainton and Neswick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in the early 1920s, conductor John Dunning. Still active in 1926. Thomas Watson Hugill was the band's drummer (for all three Bainton bands) - he was still playing aged over 80 in 1926.

**Bainton Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the early 1870s - probably folded some time in the 1880s. Thomas Watson Hugill was the band's drummer (for all three Bainton bands)

**Bainton Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the early 1890s - probably folded around WW1. Thomas Watson Hugill was the band's drummer (for all three Bainton bands)

**Bakewell Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1840s to 1897. Conductor, Mr Morris in 1892, Joseph Brown in 1893 to 1896. Following Joseph Brown's resignation in September 1896 the band folded in February 1897 - as its uniform belts, music cases and instruments belonged to the D Company 2nd Derbyshire Rifle Volunteers to which he had an affiliation. A successor band was formed in 1907

**Bakewell Church Lads Brigade Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1870s

**Bakewell Free Church Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bakewell Silver Band*

**Bakewell Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: Bakewell Free Church Band (to 1912)

**Bala Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1861 to the 1890s

**Bala Deulyn Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1909

**Bala Silver Band**

See: *Bala Brass Band*

**Bala Town Band** - Merioneth

Active from the 1920s through to the 1970s. In 1977 Musical Director was Edwin Griffiths.

**Balcombe Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1864

**Baldersdale Brass Band** - Hury, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1864 to 1869

**Balderstone Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Folded around 1925 when its instruments were bought by the Flookburgh Band.

**Balderstone Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

[current band]

**Baldock Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Founded in 1899, conductor Thomas Crouch

**Baldock Wesleyan P.S.A. Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Baldovan Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s

**Baldovan Industrial School Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus

Active in 1928

**Baldwin's Workmen's Band** - Kenfig,

A band started at the South Wales Dowlais Ironworks in 1846. However the company went through numerous ownership changes until in 1930 the heavy steel industrial plants of Guest Keen and Nettlefolds and Company Limited, amalgamated with Baldwins Limited, to form the British (Guest, Keen Baldwins) Iron and Steel Company Ltd. In 1936 the name of the Company changed to Guest Keen Baldwins Iron and Steel Company Limited. Actively contested after WW1. Still active in 1948

**Balfour Silver Band** - Fife

Active in the 1970s

**Balgonie Colliery Band** - Fife

Formed on 9th November 1905. Active through to WW2.

**Balham Church Institute Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1900, bandmaster C. Daniels.

**Balham Town Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s

**Ballaugh Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in 1869

**Ballochmyle Band** - Ayrshire

Formed in 1890. Active through to c.1910. In 1905, they gained 5th place in the Ayrshire Brass Band Association contest on 1 September, conductor Mr Carmichael.

**Ballynahinch Silver Band**

See: *Ballynahinch Temperance Silver Band*

**Baltonsborough Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor A. Silcox in 1888. Also known as Baltonsborough Star of the East Band. Bandmaster 1897 was W.H. Croom, followed by George Badman in 1899.

**Baltonsborough Star of the East Band** - Somerset

See: *Baltonsborough Brass Band*

**Balwest Brass Band** - Cornwall

In 1868 this band was reported playing at a Sunday school procession and tea treat, then no more can be found of them. So was this a group of brass players who got themselves together to help this Sunday school?

**Bamber Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1878 through to WW2.

**Bamber Bridge Subscription Band**

See: *Bamber Bridge Brass Band*

**Bambridge Amateur Band** - Hampshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Bamford Congregational Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s through to the early 1900s. Conductor William Wood in 1885

**Bamford Independent School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s, conductor B.T. Cartledge.

**Bamfords Brass Band** - Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Active in the 1920s. This was the works band of Bamfords Ltd (Agricultural Machinery) in Uttoxeter

**Bampton Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Bampton Independent Brass Band*

**Bampton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

It had been established by 1869 when disagreement erupted with the vicar over custody of its new bass drum. The leader in 1869 was Frederick William Taunt. Still active in 1907 when F.W. Taunt was the conductor.

**Bampton Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1860s

**Bampton Independent Brass Band** - Devon

Active from 1860 to the 1960s, generally known as Bampton Brass Band. Consisted of 12 members in 1863, leader William Nott. Records of the band, from 1909-1967, are held by Devon Record Office. Later known as Bampton Town Band

**Bampton Town Band**

See: *Bampton Brass Band (Devon)*

**Bampton Volunteer Band** - Devon

Active in 1896, when it gave a concert in Wellington

**Banbury and Brailes Victoria Brass Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Brailes Victoria Brass Band*

**Banbury Borough and British Legion Band**

See: *Banbury Borough Band*

**Banbury Borough Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s.

**Banbury Borough Silver Band**

Formed in 1957, but broke up a year later through lack of interest.

**Banbury Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1845

**Banbury Britannia Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Banbury Britannia Works Band*

**Banbury Britannia Works Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1858 to 1886

**Banbury British Legion Band**

See: *Banbury Borough Band*

**Banbury Foundry Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1881

**Banbury Free Mission Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1902, bandmaster John E. Griffin, still active in 1909

**Banbury Rifle Corps Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1860 and 1870s

**Banbury Saxhorn Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1851

**Banbury St John Ambulance Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the late 1940s

**Banbury Teetotal Band** - Oxfordshire

From Trinders 'Victorian Banbury', p.71: "In 1844, a Teetotal Brass Band was practising in the Temperance Rooms (Parsons Street)". Also still active in the 1860/70s

**Banbury Town Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1860/70s. Obtained new uniforms in 1887.

**Banbury Wesleyan Mission Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Banchory Brass Band** - Kincardineshire

Active in 1867

**Band of Avon Fire and Rescue Service** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1954 - Former names: Bristol Fire Brigade Brass Band

**Band of Staffordshire Police** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Florence Brass*

**Band of the 1024 Squadron** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[previous name of current band] See: *Vectis Brass*

**Band of the 35th Rifle Volunteer Corps**

See: *Marriner's Band*

**Band of the Ancient Order of Foresters** - Leicester, Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Foresters Brass 2000*

**Band of the Cheshire Constabulary** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Former names: Stockport Police Band (to 1967)

**Band of the Devon and Cornwall Constabulary** - Exeter, Devon

Stepping out on the musical beat in early 1976, the band established an enviable reputation for high quality entertainment - be it in village or concert halls, parish churches or cathedrals, garden fetes or city streets. It was a sad farewell on the 17th December 2004 when the Band played its final concert to a capacity audience at The University Great Hall, Exeter.

**Band of the Farnworth Cotton Mills**

See: *Farnworth Old Band*

**Band of the Island of Jersey** - Isle of Jersey

[current band] - Founded in 1876 - Former names: La Societe de L'Avenir, L'Union Musicale

**Band of the Lancashire Hussars** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Haydock Band*

**Band of the Lincolnshire Fire Brigade** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Band of the Metropolitan Electric Tramways**

A military-style band, not exclusively brass

**Band of the Middlesex Royal Army Medical Corps**

See: *Highgate Silver Band*

**Band of the Royal British Legion Christchurch** - Hampshire

[current band]

**Band of the Royal Eastern Counties Asylum**

Took part in the Colchester Carnival in 1934/36/37, conducted by A Wright

**Band of the Runcorn Volunteers**

Active in 1891

**Band of the Scottish Gas Board**

See: *Scottish Gas Board Band*

**Band of the South Notts Hussars Association** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *South Notts. Hussars Yeomanry Band*

**Band of the Tees Division Submariners Royal Engineers**

See: *Milburn's Model Band*

**Band of the Territorial Army 5th Battalion**

See: *Bury Public Silver Band*

**Band of the Worksop Rifle Volunteers**

1871 was a busy year for the Band of the Worksop Rifle Volunteers. In the 20th May edition of the "Worksop, Retford and Gainsborough Times", it was reported that the 2nd detachment of the 7th Hussars arrived in Worksop, en route from York to Aldershot. They arrived in Worksop on the Saturday and stayed until Sunday. At 10.00am they paraded in front of the Corn Exchange and marched off to the Abbey Church. The Band

of the Worksop Rifle Volunteers kindly lent their services. On June 3rd of the same year, the Whit Monday processions were headed by three Benefit Societies. The Golden Ball Club was headed by the Band of the Worksop Rifle Volunteers, and on reaching Wheat Sheaf, the Wheat Sheaf Club fell in and was headed by the Harthill Band. Subsequently both Clubs joined the Abbey Sick and Friendly Society, the whole forming an interesting procession, and were marched to the Abbey Church where a very appropriate service was preached by the Reverend E.Hawley.

**Band of the Yorkshire Imperial Metals**

See: *Yorkshire Imperial Band*

**Band Pont y Twr**

See: *Penryhn Quarries Brass Band*

**Banff Brass Band** - Banffshire

Active in 1857, 1860

**Bangor Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active from 1874 through to the early 1900s

**Bangor Brotherhood Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

See: *Bangor Temperance Band*

**Bangor Good Templars Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

See: *Bangor Temperance Band*

**Bangor Secondary School Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the early 1970s

**Bangor Temperance Band** - Caernarfonshire

Founded as Bangor Good Templars Brass Band. Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Became Bangor Brotherhood Brass Band, folding around 1915 (at least 6 of the members joined up with the "Bangor Pals") lending its instruments to the 19th Pioneer Battalion Welsh Regiment.

**Bangor Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed after WW1 and active in the 1920s

**Banham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Disbanded in 1907

**Bank Brass Band** - Bank, Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868, bandmaster John Elliott

**Bank Foundry Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1854

**Bank Hall Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Formed around 1881 by the Rev. W. Thursby. In the late 1890s his son provided a new set of uniforms for the band. Still active after WW1 through to the 1930s (though it may have become a "military" band during that latter period).

**Bank Temperance Brass Band** - Bank, Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1851, when there were 15,000 people at the funeral of one of its members at Leeds Cemetary, Burmantofts on 9th November

**Bankfoot Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1850 and 1856

**Banknock Band**

See: *Banknock Colliery Band*

**Banknock Colliery Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed in May 1912 by the miners in the village of Dennyloanhead. Still active in 1931

**Banks Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Banks Rechabite Band

**Banks Brewery Band**

See: *Dudley District Band*

**Banks Rechabite Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Banks Brass Band*

**Bannockburn Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed in the 1840s. Active through to 1931, when it folded. Revived in 1934 as Bannockburn Brass and Reed Town Band

**Bannockburn Colliery Band** - Cowie, Stirlingshire

Active in the early 1900s through to 1950. Conductor J. Hastie in 1905

**Bannockburn Good Templars Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor W.H. Drummond

**Bannockburn Thistle Instrumental Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1857

**Bannockburn Town Band**

See: *Bannockburn Brass Band*

**Banovallum Brass (Horncastle)** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Former names: Horncastle Silver Band

**Banstead and District Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Epsom and Ewell Silver Band*

**Banstead Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1894, conductor T. Scott and 1906, conductor Mr. Tickner. Probably folded before 1910, when the new Banstead Silver Band was formed (later to become the current Epsom and Ewell Band)

**Banstead Cottage Home Boys Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s. The Cottage Homes were erected in 1878-80 to a design by A and C Harston and were described as giving the impression of "a well-designed model village, delightfully placed amid country surroundings of woodland and downs." The buildings occupied a narrow strip of land alongside a railway line, although the elevated position of the site was said to provide views of Windsor Castle. An account of the buildings from 1898 states: "The entrance gates and porter's lodge are 50 yards from the middle of a fine main drive (about 600 yards in length), on either side of which are ranged the 23 detached homes or cottages for the children. In the centre of this drive lie the administrative and school buildings, consisting of the residence of the superintendent and matron, a house for the school staff, the stores or "village shop," the bakery, laundry, and swimming bath; three schools, two on the north side for boys and girls (a new girls' school has just been added with a covered playground for boys and girls beneath it), and the other on the south side for infants, and the detached chapel. Immediately at the right of the entrance, are two probationary homes, one for girls and one for boys, together capable of holding 40 children, while further to the right, on either side of the drive, are the nine cottages for boys, with accommodation for 40 in each. To the extreme right, a fine bandroom, which is to form part of a future drillroom and gymnasium, has been lately erected at the cost of some £800. On the left of the entrance and central buildings, the 14 girls' and infants' cottages are ranged, with 26 beds in each; again to the left of these, come the infirmary with 30 beds, and the infectious block with



18 beds; and beyond these blocks lie the present boys' playfield and a large kitchen garden....”

**Banstead Poor Law School Band** - Surrey

See: *Banstead Cottage Home Boys Band*

**Banstead Silver Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Epsom and Ewell Silver Band*

**Banton Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1884 through to c. 1910, probably folded in WW1.

**Banton Village Band**

See: *Banton Brass Band*

**Baptist Centenary Band** - Wellington, Somerset

See: *South Street Baptist Band*

**Barclays Brass Band**

[current band] - Founded in 1981. An ad hoc band of current and former Barclays employees

**Bardney Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1886 through to the 1920s. Renamed Bardney Town Band by the end of the 1930s.

**Bardney St Lawrence Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Bardney Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active around 1886, 1910 and 1919

**Bardney Town Band**

See: *Bardney Brass Band*

**Bardon Mill Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1886 through 1916

**Bardon Mill Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active between 1906 and 1947, and 1956-70

**Bardon Mill Excelsior Band**

See: *Bardon Mill Brass Band*

**Bardon Mill Silver Model Band**

See: *Bardon Mill Colliery Band*

**Bardsley Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1876 when it promoted a contest. One of its members, Enoch Wildblood, was killed in France in 1916. Still active in 1933.

**Bardsley Old Band** - Lancashire

See: *Bardsley Brass Band*

**Barfoot's Brass Band** - Blandford, Dorset

Active in 1839. Led by John Barfoot, musical instrument maker.

**Barford St Martin Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1872, conductor M. Petty

**Bargoed Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1879 through to 1916

**Barisons Brass Band** - Esher, Surrey

Active in the early 2000s, converted to a wind band in 2005

**Barking and Dagenham Playleaders Band** - Essex

Active in the 1970s. Remaining players help to form the Becontree Brass Band in 1981

**Barking Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in 1867, conductor Mr James

**Barking Brotherhood Brass Band** - Essex

Formed in 1905, conductor H. Rainbow.

**Barking Concert Band**

See: *Dagenham Silver Band*

**Barking Garage (L.G.O.C.) Silver Band** - Essex

Active in the 1920s/1930s. Busmen and others from the London General Omnibus Company garages at Barking.

**Barking Gasworks Band** - Essex

Active in 1894

**Barking Town Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s to the early 1900s

**Barkingside Brass Band** - Redbridge, Essex

Active in the 1930s/40s

**Barlborough Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1856 to 1863

**Barlestone Brass Band**

See: *Barlestone Victoria Brass Band*

**Barlestone Victoria and City of Leicester Band**

See: *Barlestone Band*

**Barlestone Victoria Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s. Ran into difficulties around 1994 and decided to amalgamate with the City of Leicester Band in 1995. Unfortunately, after much effort by many of the players, this didn't work and the combined band decided to call it a day at the end of 1996.

**Barlow and Holmesfield Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1865. In 1870 it played at the opening of Dronfield railway station on Tuesday 1st February. The Derbyshire Times reported "My home village (Holmesfield) and its neighbour (Barlow) had a brass band at least in the late 1800s. Each time a train came in it was greeted by a merry peal of bells from the spire and the sound of the Barlow and Holmesfield band"

**Barlow and Jones' Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1864. Barlow & Jones were cotton spinners and manufacturers, at the Albert Mill, Cobden Mill and Prospect Mill in the town.

**Barlow Brass Band** - Selby, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Barlow Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Barlow Old Brass Band*

**Barlow Moor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1880

**Barlow New Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1899

**Barlow Old Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the mid-1860s through to 1906. Secretary Thomas Mosley in 1888. Conductor John Haslam in 1901

**Barmby Brass Band** - Barmby on the Marsh, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed some time before 1860, when number began to drop off. Still active in 1864

**Barming Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1869

**Barmouth Brass Band (1)** - Merioneth

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s

**Barmouth Brass Band (2)** - Merioneth

Active in the 1940s/1950s

**Barmouth Coronation Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1914

**Barnard Castle Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Barnard Castle Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Barnard Castle Subscription Band (1)*

**Barnard Castle Silver Band** - Durham

See: *Barnard Castle Subscription Band (2)*

**Barnard Castle Subscription Band (1)** - Durham

The foundation stone of a stone arched bridge was laid at Whorlton, in June 1829, amidst considerable celebrations, with the usual "vast concourse of people" in attendance, as well as the Barnard Castle Subscription Band. After the formal laying of the foundation stone, the ladies who were present: 'retired, and took of a cold collation; and the gentlemen were entertained by the Rev J. Potts; and an excellent dinner and tea was provided for the parishioners' The Barnard Castle subscription band attended on the occasion. On July 7, 1831, "this elegant structure" in Whorlton was opened. The local people were so confident in its safety that a long procession stomped across it. The Barnard Castle Subscription Band led the way, followed by John Green. Then on horseback came the Whorlton bridge committee, led by the Venerable Archdeacon Headlam, followed by 27 carriages. Sundry other carriages and pedestrians brought up the rear. This band folded prior to a new subscription band being formed in 1860.

**Barnard Castle Subscription Band (2)** - Durham

Founded in 1860. About the turn of the century and during the Boer War most of the band joined the Local Volunteers and the name was changed to Barnard Castle Band Volunteer's Band. This caused quite a hue and cry in the local press at the time. After the war the band again changed it's name to Barnard Castle Silver Band and acquired a set of uniforms consisting of white flannel trousers, coloured striped blazers and straw hats. In the early 1930's the band, by this time wearing traditional peaked caps, red military style jackets and black trousers, won many prizes at local contests and gained fourth prize at the National Championships held at Crystal Palace in London. In 1960 the band celebrated its one hundredth birthday with a dinner when members were presented with medals bearing their names. Prominent musicians were the Wright family with Maurice as conductor, his two sons Raymond and Norman, his son-in-law Paddy Hunt, his brothers Tees, James, Trevor and Alan and his nephews Alfie and Trevor Walton. Sadly in 1967 the band lost many players and with only six players the band went out of commission. A successor band was formed in 1973

**Barnard Castle Town Band** - Durham

See: *Barnard Castle Subscription Band (2)*

## **Barnes' Band**

See: *Farnworth Old Band*

## **Barnes' Home Industrial School Band** - Heaton, Lancashire

Active from 1877 to 1911 when it played in various parks in Salford. The school was erected, in Didsbury Road, Heaton, by the late Robert Barnes Esq., in 1871 for the education and training of neglected and destitute children under the provisions of the industrial schools act of 1866. Conductor F.T. Bateman in 1908

## **Barnet Town Prize Band**

See: *Barnet Town Silver Band*

## **Barnet Town Silver Band**

Formed on 31st January 1889 by the Court Pride of Barnet Foresters and was known as the High Foresters' Brass Band. Corporal Yeomans of the 7th Kings Royal Rifles Corps was appointed as its first Musical Director at the first Committee Meeting in February 1889. However, his appointment was not unopposed and he was succeeded by Mr George Byford on 6th March 1895 at a salary of 3s per week and he held this position until 1907. During his conductorship, the Band attended numerous contests and won many prizes. The band's first engagement was at The Green Man on March 18th 1889. The original 15 instruments, which were purchased new at a cost of £42, the bulk of the cost being covered by a loan from Mr Emm. These instruments were replaced in April 1898 by Dr Osborne Boyes who presented a new set of brass instruments to the band at a dinner held at the Star Public House. In the same year, the Band entered the Fulham Brass Band Contest and gained first prize, thus setting a precedent as, over the years, the Band has won over 150 prizes. About this time, the band was instrumental in the setting up of the London and Home Counties Amateur Band Association, thus becoming a founder member. By 1899, the band was renamed as the Barnet Town Band on a receipt for the printing of 20 circulars by Barnet's Steam printer, E. S. Wheatley. Mr Byford was succeeded in 1908 by Mr T. A. Cheek as Musical Director. Mr Cheek started as an instrumentalist in the band and his subsequent record as Director of Music was outstanding. During the year 1907, the Band took second prize at Bromley, first prize at Dartford and, perhaps most significant of all, the first prize at the Association Contest at Crystal Palace. By 1921, the band was known as The Barnet Town Silver Prize Band, as described in the receipt for the loan of a band cornet by Alfred Richards. In 1979, Mr Kevin Morgan, the Band's Musical Director, formerly a cornet player with the Band of the Scots Guards, changed the Band's name to the Barnet Band - its present-day name. It converted to concert band line-up, with woodwind instruments, in the mid-1980s

## **Barnetby Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1876

## **Barningham Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1862 to 1865

## **Barnoldswick Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Barnoldswick Old Band*

## **Barnoldswick Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1870's (believed to be 1873) by a merger of the Barnoldswick Model and Barnoldswick Ribblesdale Bands. The most successful period in the band's history was from the early 1900's to the early 1930's during which time the band was a regular prizewinner at contests and competed most years at the Crystal Palace Championships, though never in the Championship Section. Dwindling membership during the 1950's

and 60's (and the success of the Rolls Royce band) led to the band folding in 1965. A successor band was formed in 1971. The great cornet player Edwin Firth, made his principal cornet contesting debut with Barnoldswick Band at Crystal Palace in 1906. In the 1920s the conductor was Joe Smith. Also known as Barnoldswick Original Brass Band

**Barnoldswick Brass Band (3) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Note: A previous band had folded in 1965

**Barnoldswick Model Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1865. At this time it was supposed to be a sort of Temperance group consisting chiefly of young men, and as such they became very popular and for a time their services and accomplishments were highly appreciated which unfortunately came to an end after several years time. It merged with the Barnoldswick Ribblesdale Band in 1873 to form Barnoldswick Brass Band

**Barnoldswick New Model Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Barnoldswick Model Band*

**Barnoldswick Old Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1840s to 1869. Also known as Barnoldswick Brass Band in its earlier years.

**Barnoldswick Original Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Barnoldswick Brass Band (2)*

**Barnoldswick Ribblesdale Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1869. Merged with the Barnoldswick Model Band in 1873 to form Barnoldswick Brass Band

**Barnsbury Mission Brass Band - Islington, Middlesex**

Formed in 1906, based at the Mission at Arundel Square Free Church, Islington.  
Bandmaster J. Abel

**Barnsley Borough Prize Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1870s through to the end of the 1920s

**Barnsley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active between 1854 and 1882

**Barnsley Building Society (Barrow) Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (2)*

**Barnsley Building Society Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (2)*

**Barnsley Chronicle Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed around 1983 as Barrow Colliery Junior Band, became Barnsley Chronicle Band in 1987. Folded before 1993

**Barnsley Chronicle Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1906 - Former names: Birdwell and District Subscription Prize Brass Band, Barrow Colliery Prize Band (1931), Birdwell Brass Band (1946 reformed after the war), Barrow Colliery Band (1958), Barnsley Building Society (Barrow) Band (1989), Barnsley Building Society Band (to 2010)

**Barnsley Co-operative Society Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the mid-1990s to around 2009

**Barnsley Corporation Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Barnsley Excelsior Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1895

- Barnsley Metropolitan Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band]
- Barnsley Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1890s
- Barnsley Music Centre Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- Barnsley National Reserve Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1910s
- Barnsley Old Mill Brass Band**  
See: *Old Mill Subscription Band*
- Barnsley Rifles Band**  
See: *Barnsley Volunteers Band*
- Barnsley Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1843
- Barnsley Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1878. Active through to the early 1900s
- Barnsley Temperance Excelsior Brass Band**  
See: *Barnsley Excelsior Brass Band*
- Barnsley Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s through to the early 1900s
- Barnstaple Amateur Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1859 to 1868
- Barnstaple Brass Band** - Devon  
See: *Barnstaple Amateur Brass Band*
- Barnton Silver Band** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1891 - Former names: Barnton Temperance Band, Barnton Subscription Band
- Barnton Subscription Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Barnton Silver Band*
- Barnton Temperance Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Barnton Silver Band*
- Barrett, Exall and Andrewes Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire  
See: *Messrs Barrett, Exall and Andrewes Brass Band*
- Barrhead and District Band** - Renfrewshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Barrhead Burgh Band*
- Barrhead Brass Band** - Renfrewshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Barrhead Burgh Band*
- Barrhead Burgh Band** - Renfrewshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1819 - Former names: Lavern Instrumental Band, Barrhead Silver Band (1907), Barrhead Burgh Band (1908), Barrhead and District Band (1977), Barrhead Burgh Band (1995)
- Barrhead Silver Band** - Renfrewshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Barrhead Burgh Band*
- Barrington Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1859 when it competed in a contest at Felton. Conductor J. Richardson in 1860, Mr Armstrong in 1862, George Patton in 1893.

**Barrington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1862, when it was associated with the Barrington Friendly Society. In 1882 it played at the anniversary of Hambridge Benevolent Society. Still active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor John Bond. In 1923 secretary was A. Dade.

**Barrington Church Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1874

**Barrington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active from the 1870s. In 1877 the conductor was James Bolam, secretary Alex Watson. Conductor J. Dunsmore in 1883. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Band records are held in the Northumberland County Record Office. Changed name to Bedlington Colliery Band in 1936

**Barrow Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1890

**Barrow Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1867

**Barrow Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Barrow-on-Soar Brass Band*

**Barrow Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1861 to 1869

**Barrow Bridge Band** - Lancashire

During the Prince of Wales' visit to Bolton in 1873 he was shown around the 'model' village of Barrow Bridge. He was greeted by the works brass band, which played him several tunes.

**Barrow Britannia Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s through to the 1960s. H. Hallam secretary in 1902. Amalgamated with Barton Town Prize Band in the 1960s

**Barrow Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (2)*

**Barrow Colliery Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (1)*

**Barrow Concert Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1974

**Barrow Gurney Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1863. Conductor Mr Nash in 1864

**Barrow Hill and Staveley United Prize Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Staveley Works Band*

**Barrow Hill and Staveley Works Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Staveley Works Band*

**Barrow Hill Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Staveley Works Band*

**Barrow Hill Good Templars Band**

Active in 1895 through 1910

**Barrow Hill Temperance Band**

See: *Barrow Hill Good Templars Band*

**Barrow Iron and Steelworks Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Barrow Steelworks Band*

### **Barrow Labour Silver Band**

Active in 1928

### **Barrow Primitive Methodist Brass Band**

Active in the 1880s and 1900s

### **Barrow Shipyard Band - Lancashire**

Founded in 1892 as Barrow Temperance Band (to 1908), Barrow Shipyard Prize Band (1908), Barrow Home Guard Band (1939), Barrow Shipyard Band (1945), Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering Band (1960), Vickers Works Band, Vickers Barrow Works Band, British Shipbuilders Band (1980), GEC Band, VSEL Band, BAE Systems (Marine) Band, Barrow Shipyard Band (2002). Folded in 2012 when their kit, instruments and uniform were passed to the junior band

### **Barrow Steelworks Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: Rising Star Lifeboat Crew Brass Band, Barrow Wire and Steelworkers? Union Band, Barrow Iron and Steelworks Brass Band (1888-1950s)

### **Barrow T.A. Brass Band - Barrow-In-Furness, Lancashire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Barrow Wesleyan Brass Band**

See: *Barrow Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

### **Barrow Wire and Steelworkers? Union Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Barrow Steelworks Band*

### **Barrow Youth Brass Band**

Disbanded in 2008. It was originally the junior section of the old Vickers shipyard band but broke away when the shipyard band and BAE parted company. Band officials gave away the remaining money the band had in the bank, plus the cash it raised from selling its musical instruments and other equipment, to other local youth bands.

### **Barrowby Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active from the 1860s through to 1935. Secretary W. Messon in 1882. The earliest record of the band performing is on New Year's Day 1865. In 1885 it held its first annual celebratory dinner at the White Swan, perhaps because its then bandmaster, William Musson, was also the landlord. In 1897 it had performed 21 engagements with an additional four sacred concerts. In that year it also led the celebration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee at Belton. By 1905 the band had acquired a uniform, appropriately of Lincoln Green. By early 1909 however the band seems to have got into trouble and became, for a while, defunct. This did not last long for it was advertising for engagements by March of the same year. Within the village the Band played regularly in the grounds of The Rectory, The Grange, and The White House for a variety of village fetes and fund raisers. Secretary R. Peel in 1912. In 1913 it staged a Grand Promenade Concert at The Grange to raise funds for new instruments. It was 24-strong at this time, a large number for a moderate sized village. In September 1914 it participated in a Great Patriotic Meeting in the village. It reformed after WW1, with a number of its members being "Old Comrades".

### **Barrowford Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1850s and through to WW1. One member, Drummer Harold Rushton, 19, was killed in France in 1916. An earlier Barrowford Reed Band existed in the 1840s. In its early years, there was also a drum and flute band in Barrowford - one Christmas, they were both out playing when they came in contact with each other, between the



“Gaumless” and Berry's shed, which resulted in a contest of strength. The two bands formed in order in the middle of the road. The players of each band played with all their might, and the drummers beat their drums with all the strength they could muster. The drummer of the little band turned his drum sticks and beat the drum with the heavy ends, and just about the finish he struck the end in. The flute band came out victorious, having made the biggest noise.

#### **Barrow-in-Furness Youth Clubs Band**

Active in 1940s

#### **Barrow-on-Soar Brass Band - Leicestershire**

The band was formed in 1847 with 9 members, under the leadership of William Hatton. Conductor J. Darby in 1899. They practiced on North Street. In 1910 they entered competitions for a period of two years only and won contests at Melton Mowbray and Derby for presentations and marching. When the First World War broke out 14 members of the band joined up but the remainder managed to carry on until they could properly rejoin. In 1919 Major Martin, who lived at the Hunting Lodge in the village and was a keen supporter of the band, gave a piece of land in Mill Lane to the village for use as a recreation ground. He also erected a bandstand on this open space and the band played there every Feast Sunday. In 1876 Mr Sam Darby became Bandmaster from the age of 17 for a period of 50 years, and on his retirement in 1926 was presented with a purse of money subscribed by the residents and his fellow bandsmen. Owing to the Second World War the band ceased playing and finally amalgamated with the adjoining village band of Sibleby. Sam Darby was not only the the Bandmaster but also a Cornet player, Piano teacher and organist at Barrow Catholic Church for over 50 years. He could, in fact, play all the instruments in the band but had a little bit of difficulty when it came to playing the trombone. These achievements were quite remarkable as he was virtually self-taught having left school at an early age. His son Jack Darby, who played drums in the band, was also a very good pianist. The Band played in neighbouring villages, and at Christmas they visited houses playing carols and no doubt there would be the usual liquid refreshment at each venue. In those days the band travelled around by horse and cart and the story goes that one Christmas, whilst negotiating the streets, they took a corner quite sharply with the result that the cart tipped over and its occupants were thrown out onto the road. Unfortunately quite a few instruments were damaged and Sam Darby's humour was sorely tested as he was convinced that the members of the band had over indulged. The villagers ran a collection and through their generosity raised enough money to replace the broken instruments. The new instruments were silver plated as opposed to brass - this shows how popular the Band was with the villagers. (thanks to Veronica Brown for these notes)

#### **Barr's Court Proprietary School Brass Band - Hereford, Herefordshire**

Active in 1858

#### **Barry Brass Band - Angus**

Active in 1908

#### **Barry Brass Band (1) - Glamorgan**

Probably formed after WW1 and active through to WW2

#### **Barry Brass Band (2) - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1998

#### **Barry Conservative Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1928

- Barry Dock Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Dock Wesleyan Brass Band*
- Barry Dock Buffaloes Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Dock R.A.O.B. Brass Band*
- Barry Dock District Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Dock Wesleyan Brass Band*
- Barry Dock R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1892, J. Bryan appointed conductor in 1898.
- Barry Dock Unionist Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Unionist Jubilee Brass Band*
- Barry Dock Wesleyan Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s became Barry Dock District Band in 1899. Still active in 1904, when it purchased new instruments, and through to WW1
- Barry Dockers' Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Docks Brass Band*
- Barry Ostlere and Shepherd Band** - Kirkcaldy, Fife  
Formed in 1902 by the Barry Ostlere and Shepherd jute/linoleum company in Kirkcaldy. The Band had many successes in Scotland and survived until the mid 1960s when the plant was closed.
- Barry R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Docks Brass Band*
- Barry Red Cross Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1910s
- Barry Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry Brass Band*
- Barry Town Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1911
- Barry Town Veterans Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Barry United Veterans Band*
- Barry Unionist Jubilee Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1896, disbanded in 1906.
- Barry United Veterans Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1920s
- Barston Band** - Leicestershire  
Went through several stages of amalgamation to form what is now Leicestershire Co-op (Snibston) Band
- Bartlett's Mechanic Brass Band** - Totnes, Devon  
Active in 1849
- Bartley Green Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s
- Barton Brass Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire  
Formed in 1899, folding prior to WW1. A successor band was formed in the 1920s
- Barton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1920, 1907, conductor E. Ellingham
- Barton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in 1862 to 1868

**Barton Cycle Works Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Formed in 1904 by Mr F Hopper Snr. It had many successes in competition, the most notable being the Contest held at the Crystal Palace in London where they gained a 3rd and 4th place in the years around 1907. Unfortunately on another occasion they had a few too many trips to the Public Bar and acted with an "unfortunate lack of sobriety" disgracing themselves on the contest platform. This caused their sponsor, F Hopper to gather them in the Cycle Works yard confiscating their instruments and ritually burning their uniforms before them - an inglorious end to a once fine band. Probably folded during WW1

**Barton Excelsior Brass Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Active in 1887

**Barton Hall Works Band** - Patricroft, Lancashire

Active in the late 1930s and 1940s. Played at Urmston Show 1st August 1960. It was a non-contesting band in the 1970s. Conducted at times by Hugh Parry and Oliver Howarth. Still active in the late 1960s.

**Barton Model Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

See: *Barton Ropery Band*

**Barton Ropery Brass Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Formed in late 1858. Associated with Hall's Ropery Works in Barton. Active in 1859 when it performed a concert with the Hull Druids' Brass Band in Barton Temperance Hall. Reformed in 1873. Later known as Barton Model Band. Probably folded during WW1

**Barton Subscription Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Active in 1920

**Barton Total Abstinence Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Active in 1907

**Barton Town Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1920s - Former names: Barton Town Prize Subscription Brass Band, Barton Town Prize Band (from the 1940s to the 1960s) - Note: Amalgamated with Barrow Britannia Band in the 1960s

**Barton Town Model Brass Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Active in 1902, secretary A. Franklin

**Barton United Brass Band**

Active in 1884

**Barton Works Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

See: *Barton Ropery Band*

**Barton-on-Humber Adult School Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1911, bandmaster George White.

**Barton-on-Humber Ropery Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

See: *Barton Ropery Band*

**Barton's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Formed in the 1890s by Councillor Barton who owned a Manufacturing Confectionery Works. The band appeared regularly at the Whitsuntide Walks and Co-op Field Days up to the outbreak of WW1. Later known as Barton's Prize Band, when they reformed in 1919, when they rehearsed in the Heart of Oak, Adelphi Street, and their president and proprietor was Charles Brown. An advert of the time stated: "Now that the members of the above band are demobilized they wish to thank the public of Preston and District for

their past patronage and hope to enjoy a fair share in the future. Open for engagements. Processions, Galas, Fetes, Flower Shows etc. Charity will receive every attention. For terms apply Sec. Mr. R. Taylor, 2 Markham St. Ashton, Preston". Still active in 1933.

**Barton's Prize Band** - Preston, Lancashire

See: *Barton's Brass Band*

**Barum Silver Band** - Barnstaple, Devon

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Barwell Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from 1853 through to the 1900s

**Basford Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1852, 1860

**Basford Hall Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Basford Hall Miners' Welfare Band*

**Basford Hall Miners' Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed May 1947. First conductor: H. L. Appleby, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., succeeded in February 1948 by T. Himon, who in turn was succeeded by John Baldwin in February 1949. Still active in the mid 1960s.

**Basingstoke Area Schools Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1970s

**Basingstoke Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Basingstoke Mechanics Institute Brass Band*

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See: *Basingstoke Mechanics Institute Brass Band*

**Basingstoke Mechanics Institute and Club Brass Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1872, conductor C. Hailstone. Active through to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Bedford in 1907

**Basingstoke Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Hampshire

Formed in late 1855 - folding before successor band was formed in 1872. Still active in 1867, conductor Mr Powell

**Basingstoke Primitive Methodist Church Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Basingstoke Silver Band*

**Basingstoke Silver Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1898 - Former names: Primitive Methodist Church Band

**Baskerville Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s up to WW1. Linked to James Upton's Baskerville Printing Works in central Birmingham. Conductor George Towle in 1908

**Baslow Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the early 1840s through to the 1900s. Conductor John Haslam in 1904

**Bass Museum Burton Brass** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in the 1980/90s

**Bass Wingates Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wingates Band*

**Bassingbourn Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Baston Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1862, 1863

- Batchelors' Brothers Saxe-Horn Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
Active in 1859
- Bath Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1890
- Bath Christian Excelsior Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1886
- Bath City Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1890
- Bath Gasworks Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1890 to 1895
- Bath Hanoverian Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1857
- Bath Post Office Band** - Somerset  
Founded around 1892
- Bath Railway Brass Band** - Somerset  
*See: Somerset and Dorset Railway Brass Band*
- Bath Road Wesleyan Temperance Brass Band** - Swindon, Wiltshire  
Active in 1891
- Bath Spa Band** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1921 - Former names: St James Mission Church Band, Bath Spa Imperial Band (1930), Bath Spa Band (1968)
- Bath Spa Imperial Band** - Bath, Somerset  
[previous name of current band] *See: Bath Spa Band*
- Bath St James' Silver Band** - Somerset  
*See: St James' Church Mission Band*
- Bath Volunteer Rifles Brass Band** - Somerset  
Formed in 1860, bandmaster W. Williams, consisting of 5 cornets, 5 saxhorns, 1 euphonion, 1 bombardone, 2 drums
- Bath Workhouse Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1877
- Batheaston Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1890s
- Bathgate Band** - West Lothian  
[current band] - Founded in the 1830s - Former names: Bathgate Public Band (1890s)
- Bathgate Chemical Brass Band** - West Lothian  
Active in 1869
- Bathgate Public Band** - West Lothian  
[previous name of current band] *See: Bathgate Band*
- Batley Castle Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active around 1900 - (possibly the Batley Castle Salvation Army Band)
- Batley Grammar School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1980s
- Batley Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1878 as brass and reed band, later converting to all-brass in the 1880s. Very successful contesting record in the 1890s. Tom Stubley was bandmaster from 1893 to 1910, followed by J. Eaton until 1913. Played a part in the celebrations following Batley's win the first Rugby League Challenge Cup Final which took place on 24 April 1897 at

Headingley, in front of 13,492 people. The team travelled home to the sound of 160 celebratory fog signals detonating one after another on the railway line as their train passed over them. On their arrival, they were escorted by Batley Old Band to the town hall. Still active in the 1940s.

**Batley Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1862

**Batley Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s/90s. The band held their first annual sports in the Batley cricket field, Mount Pleasant, in August 1890. Mr W. G. Hurst, the great American trick wheelman, went through a novel performance at these sports! When Mr. George Watson, landlord of the Royal Hotel, applied at Batley for an occasional licence to enable him to sell intoxicating drinks next Saturday at the Batley Temperance Brass Band sports, he declared he had the support of the temperance party, whereat the bench expressed their surprise and some doubt, and said they would grant an adjournment that he might call witnesses. Mr. Watson left the court, but in a short time his solicitor said the application was withdrawn. Their instruments and music were destroyed by fire in 1892. The band had disbanded by 1906.

**Batley United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855

**Batley Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1885/5

**Batley Victoria Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Batley Victoria Band*

**Battersby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867

**Battersea and Wandsworth Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. It was reorganised in 1909

**Battersea Borough Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1890s through to 1920s

**Battersea Brass Band**

See: *Battersea Borough Brass Band*

**Battersea Grammar School Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1945

**Battersea Temperance Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1910s through to 1920s

**Battersea Tent Mission Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Battisford Free Church Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: Battisford Mission Band - Note: Became a full brass band in the late 1940s

**Battisford Mission Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Battisford Free Church Band*

**Battle Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in the 1850s and disbanded in 1939. Conductor W. Wood in 1861. A successor band was formed in 1975

**Battle Town Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Note: Other related bands: earlier Battle Brass Band (1800s to 1939)

**Battleyford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded around 1905

**Baughurst Gospel Temperance Band** - Hampshire

Formed in the 1870s as a result of "revival" meetings in Baughurst, it held open-air meetings in Shyshack Lane, Heath End on Sunday afternoons. In winter a lamp was carried on a pole to give light to the musicians. It also played at Baughurst Primitive Methodist Chapel as well as at Camp Meetings and Hospital Sunday Parades. It disbanded during World War II. Albert Jacobs was bandmaster in 1900.

**Baughurst Temperance Band**

See: *Baughurst Gospel Temperance Band*

**Bawtry Brass Band**

Active in 1878, 1890 and 1900

**Baxendale's Band**

See: *Denton Original Band*

**Baxendale's Glassworks Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1935

**Baxenden Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Baxenden Church School Brass Band*

**Baxenden Church School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851, 1854

**Baxterley Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Bayley's Charity Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire

Active in 1861. This was the band of the Katherine Bayley Charity School in Coventry

**BCE St Mary's Brass**

See: *British Coal Enterprise (St. Mary's) Band*

**Beach Terrace Mission Brass Band** - Hastings, Sussex

Formed in April 1888, bandmaster J. Spendley, secretary J. Blackman. First performance was in June 1888 accompanying the Band of Hope to Winchelsea for their outing.

**Beacon Lane Boys Band**

See: *Liverpool Boys' Orphanage Band*

**Beacon Silver Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Reformed in the 1930s? from the earlier Boots Plaisance Band. Its playing days came to an untimely end when the instruments were destroyed in the bombing of the Printing Department building on Station Street in 1941.

**Beaconsfield Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1863 to WW1. Conductor T.F. Lane in 1887/1892

**Beaminster Brass Band (1)** - Dorset

Active in the 1850s and 1860s - presumed to have folded before the successor band was formed in 1875. Conductor Mr Cox in 1858.

**Beaminster Brass Band (2)** - Dorset

Founded in 1878 by George Swaffield, who was a rural postman from 1866. The band was still active in the 1980s. Conductors: J. Swaffield in 1882-1888, L. Rogers in 1890, J. Trump in 1895-1922, A.R. Park in 1930. The band played at George Swaffield's diamond

wedding celebrations in 1927 (he died in 1936, at 95, the “oldest postman pensioner ever”)

**Beamish and East Tanfield Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1966

**Beamish Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1850s through 1900s. Also known as Beamish Silver Model Band in its later years.

**Beamish Colliery Band - Durham**

Formed in 1898. Amalgamated with Seghill Colliery Band around 1907. Still active in 1950

**Beamish Model Band - Durham**

See: *Beamish Brass Band*

**Beamish Silver Model Band - Durham**

See: *Beamish Brass Band*

**Beanfield School Brass Band - Corby, Northamptonshire**

Formed in 1969, still active in the 1970s.

**Bean's Brass Band - York, Yorkshire**

York, 1833-1860

**Bead and Carter's Brass Band - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire**

Active in 1859

**Bead and Carter's Saxhorn Band - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire**

See: *Bead and Carter's Brass Band*

**Beardmore's Works Brass Band - Mossend, Lanarkshire**

Founded in 1908. Active into the 1920s

**Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band - Durham**

[current band] - Founded in 1950 - Former names: Esh Winning Colliery Welfare Band, Esh Colliery Band (1970), Bearpark & Esh Colliery Band (1979) - Note: The original Bearpark Band folded c. 1948 and there was no band there until after Esh Winning Colliery closed, the band started taking Bearpark Colliery banner to The Durham Miners Gala so with financial support from Bearpark it became Bearpark & Esh Brass Band in 1979. They still practice in the old church hall in West Terrace in Esh Winning which is now in an industrial estate and was once owned by the NCB on the Esh Winning Colliery site.

**Bearpark Colliery Band (1) - Durham**

See: *Bearpark United Brass Band*

**Bearpark Colliery Band (2) - Durham**

Formed in 1920, folded around 1948. A successor band, Bearpark and Esh Colliery, still active, was formed in 1950.

**Bearpark United Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1890s

**Bearsted Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1851

**Beaufort Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Founded in 1859. Active in the 1860s

**Beaufort Rational Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1890s, conductor W. Crew in 1898



**Beaufort Street Industrial School Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Liverpool Industrial Ragged School Brass Band*

**Beaulieu Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s - bandmaster Tom Gregory from the early 1890s to 1909. The band acquired new uniforms in 1893 (blue with red trimmings).

**Beumaris Band** - Anglesey

[current band] - Founded in 1921

**Beumaris Brass Band** - Anglesey

Active in the 1840s

**Beumaris Pier Band** - Anglesey

Active in the 1900s

**Beumaris Town Band** - Anglesey

Active in the 1910s

**Beaumont Methodist Band** - Essex

Took part in Great Bentley Brass Band Contest on 18 April 1938.

**Beaumont Works Brass Band** - St Albans, Hertfordshire

Active in the 1900s. Based at the Nicholson and Co. (Coat Specialists) Ltd factory in Sutton Road.

**Bebside Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1860s. May have later been contemporary with Bebside Temperance Band.

**Bebside Temperance Brass Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1870. Secretary John Bainbridge in 1871. Active in 1882, conductor Henry Gardner. Conductor in 1886 was George Gardner. Still active in the 1900s

**Beccles Artillery Volunteers Band** - Suffolk

Active around 1905

**Beccles Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the early 1900s, through to 1918 at least.

**Beccles Primitive Methodist Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1882

**Beccles Town Band**

See: *Beccles Brass Band*

**Beckbury Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1970s and early 1980s. The conductor was Phil Petford.

**Beckenham Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1864, also in the 1890s and 1900s

**Beckingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1851 - playing a concert in Epworth

**Beckley Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1865 to 1869, and 1910

**Beckley Village Band** - Sussex

Active in 1906 and 1911

**Becontree Brass Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1981 - Note: formed from ex-members of Barking and Dagenham Playleaders Band, Barking Concert Band and its predecessor, Dagenham Silver Band

**Becontree British Legion Band** - Essex

Active in the 1930s

**Becontree Heath Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Becontree Silver Band** - Essex

Probably formed in the 1940s. Active in the 1950s, folding before 1980. A successor Becontree Brass Band was formed in 1981 from ex-members of Barking and Dagenham Playleaders Band, Barking Concert Band and its predecessor, Dagenham Silver Band

**Becontree Town Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Bedale Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1853 and the 1890s, but disbanded in 1926

**Bedale Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1949, folded in 1954

**Bedale Brass Band (3)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1963, folded in 1975. A successor band, still active, was formed in 1987.

**Bedale Brass Band (4)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Bedale Evening Institute Band**

See: *Bedale Brass Band (3)*

**Beddau and District Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1970s

**Beddgelert Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1870s and the 1900s

**Bedford (Leigh) Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1875 as The St. Thomas' Band Bedford (becoming Bedford Church Brass Band in 1894), holding rehearsals in the School behind St. Thomas' Church on Chapel Street Leigh. The band broke up sometime in the early 1990s. For further details see the [www.bedfordband.co.uk](http://www.bedfordband.co.uk) - the Bedford (Leigh) Band website. The first report of the band competing was in September 1884 at a contest organised by the St. Joseph's brass band also from Bedford, Leigh. The event was well reported in the both the Leigh Chronicle and the Leigh Journal with the band under their conductor, Mr. J Frost, claiming the third prize of £2, playing the quadrille "Leisure Hour". The first prize going to Atherton Volunteers and the second to Farnworth Public. Thirteen bands took part in the contest. William Smith was conductor of Bedford Church Prize Silver Band in the early 1900s. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by T.W. Charlsworth).

**Bedford Brass "Breakway"** - Bedfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1988 - Note: Formed by Terry Hext who quite literally broke away from the contesting Bedford Town Band with approximately a 10 piece of players. Subsequently they built up a full band and have added the "A" band and Junior band.

**Bedford Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1840s through 1860s. Conductor John Haines/Haynes in 1863-1867. Folded some time before 1893 when a new Bedford (Town) Brass Band was formed.

**Bedford Church Brass Band**

See: *Bedford (Leigh) Band*

**Bedford Church Prize Silver Band**

See: *Bedford (Leigh) Band*

- Bedford Foundry Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1863, 1864
- Bedford Midland Railway Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Founded in 1900, conductor J. Tildesley, bandmaster J. Jones. Had included wind instruments in 1901.
- Bedford Mission Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1891, bandmaster W. Taylor
- Bedford Rifles Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1900s, Mr Martin conductor in 1900
- Bedford Street Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s
- Bedford Temperance Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Founded in 1860, originally with 12 members, conductor John Haines
- Bedford Town Band** - Bedfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1894
- Bedford Trades Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1920s through to the 1950s
- Bedford Volunteers Band**  
See: *Bedford Rifles Brass Band*
- Bedford Wesleyan Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1893, bandmaster W. Taylor
- Bedfordshire County Youth Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1970s
- Bedfordshire Reformatory Band** - Turvey, Bedfordshire  
Active in the mid-1900s. Turvey's Reformatory was founded by T.C. Higgins of Turvey House in 1857 for 'the Industrial training of Juvenile Offenders'. A bandmaster and drill instructor, Frederick Lincoln, was appointed on 1st January 1903
- Bedhampton Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1899
- Bedhampton Methodist Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Formed in 1893. Active to 1910
- Bedlington Brass and Reed Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1894, conductor John Ricalton
- Bedlington Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1862, conductor James Bolam. Conductor William Jones in 1865, James Bolam in 1867. Secretary Joseph M. Peel in 1873. Band records are held in the Northumberland County Record Office.
- Bedlington Colliery Band (1)** - Northumberland  
See: *Bedlington Doctor Pit Band*
- Bedlington Colliery Band (2, 1936-)** - Northumberland  
See: *Barrington Colliery Band*
- Bedlington Doctor Pit Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1899, conductor Samuel Godsmark, and still active in the early 1960s
- Bedlington Ironworks Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1851 to the 1880s
- Bedlington Senior Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Bedlington Doctor Pit Band*

- Bedlington Temperance Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1899, bandmaster George Gardner.
- Bedlinog Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1900/1910s
- Bedminster Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1882
- Bedminster Artillery Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1900s
- Bedminster Brass Band**  
See: *Bedminster Silver Prize Band*
- Bedminster Central Mission Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the early 1900s, disbanded in 1904
- Bedminster Down Brass Band** - Somerset  
Founded around 1906, conductor Mr Parfitt.
- Bedminster Granville Silver Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1898
- Bedminster Imperial Band** - Somerset  
Active in the early 1900s.
- Bedminster Silver Prize Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1880s through early 1900s. In 1905, they held a Grand Bazaar at Colston Hall in Bristol, following their fund-raising efforts during the Boer War.
- Bedminster White Cord Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the mid-1880s
- Bedwas and District Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1940s. Folded before the 1970s
- Bedwas Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Bedwas Trethomas Band**  
See: *Bedwas and District Brass Band*
- Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen (BTM) Band** - Monmouthshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1972
- Bedworth Brass** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1985 by the amalgamation of Bedworth Parish Church Silver Band and Bedworth Silver Band
- Bedworth Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active from the early 1860s through to 1915. Conductor David Butler in 1862. Known as Bedworth Legion Band after WW1
- Bedworth Excelsior Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1889/1893
- Bedworth Legion Band** - Warwickshire  
See: *Bedworth Brass Band*
- Bedworth Parish Church Silver Band** - Warwickshire  
Formed in the late 1960s, when the Rector of Bedworth Parish Church obtained funds from the Nicholas Chamberlaine Trust to create the band. Amalgamated with Bedworth Silver Prize Band in 1985 to form the current Bedworth Band.

**Bedworth Silver Prize Band** - Warwickshire

Formed in 1927 as the Wesleyan Reform Church Band. Amalgamated with Bedworth Parish Church Silver Band in 1985 to form the current Bedworth Band.

**Bedworth Town and Church Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bedworth Brass*

**Bedworth Town Band**

See: *Bedworth Brass Band*

**Bedwyn Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Great Bedwyn Brass Band*

**Beech Lanes Brass Band** - Harborne, Staffordshire

Active around 1908

**Beechburn Brass Band** - Howden-le-Wear,

Active in 1896

**Beechingstoke Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from 1863 to the 1910s

**Beeding Brass Band** - Sussex

Founded in 1866, conductor C. Barber. Still active in 1869

**Beeford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1864

**Beenham Brass Band** - Berkshire

Formed in 1890. The original instruments were purchased by contributions from the members and by subscriptions from friends. The Bandmaster at the time was William Wigmore. One member in the 1930s was Cyril Jones, the Postmaster in Theale. During the Second World War, the band, along with many other social activities, had to cease. However, it started up again in 1946-47, primarily by the bass player George Gilbert, using the instruments from the original band. The band folded in the mid 1960s.

**Beer Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the early 1900s to the 1930s

**Beerpot Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland

Active in 1859

**Bees Lane Club Band** - Rugeley,

Active in 1934

**Beeston Brass Band (1)** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1860s, folding prior to 1880

**Beeston Brass Band (2)** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in 1881, conductor G. Cryer, still active in the 1920s, conductor Mr Simpkin.

**Beeston Excelsior Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the early 1900s, also known as Beeston Temperance Band. Obtained new instruments in 1902

**Beeston Humber Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s through to c.1910. Linked to the Humber and Company Cycle Works in the town. Bandmaster was J. Irons in 1898.

**Beeston Lads Club Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1913 to 1919. Conductor A. Pounder in 1919

**Beeston Mission Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1898, 1900

**Beeston Silver Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1910s through 1950

**Beeston Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Beeston Excelsior Band*

**Beeston Town Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Beeston Silver Prize Band*

**Beevor Youth Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lincoln Beevor Band*

**Beighton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Beighton Excelsior Band*

**Beighton Excelsior Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Beighton U.M.F.C. Sunday School and Band of Hope Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1894

**Beighton United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Beith Brass Band** - Ayrshire

See: *Beith Instrumental Band*

**Beith Instrumental Band** - Ayrshire

Formed prior to 1850. On Saturday 17th June, 1865, the Bowling Club committee, followed by the Beith Instrumental Band and local townspeople led the way to the Green for the official opening of the Club. The Band were having financial problems in November 1865 and opened up a subscription to the more well-to-do people of the town, and also to the artisans. The band were gratified with the results of the labours of the committee and were delighted with the liberality of the subscribers. The band were meeting that night in their practice room after which they would parade through the town. In June 1903 the band secured a month's engagement at Saltcoats on Wednesday evenings and Saturdays. The band was second in the Dumfries band contest in 1903, and in August 1904 they gained second place to Newmilns Band in the Ayrshire Championship. on 12 May 1917 the Beith Women's War Work Party held a Flag Day, Cycle and Fance Dress Parade (for which prizes were offered) in the Academy Grounds - Numerous attractions included Beith Instrumental Band. One of the first members of the Beith band, Mr John Simpson of Calderwood, Beith, died on October 27, 1905 at the age of 89 years.

**Beith Thistle Brass Band** - Ayrshire

See: *Beith Instrumental Band*

**Belbroughton Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Obtained new uniforms in 1906

**Belcher's Newcastle Naval Brass Band**

See: *Newcastle Naval Brass Band*

**Belfast IOR Rescue Tent Band**

See: *Belfast City Temperance Band*

**Belfast Temperance Band**

See: *Belfast City Temperance Band*

**Belfast Workhouse Band**

See: *Belfast Industrial School Band*

**Belfield Parish Church Brass Band**

See: *Belfield Silver Band*

**Belfield Silver Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1940s/50s

**Belgrave Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active in 1852. Folded prior to 1859.

**Belgrave Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Founded in September 1859. In 1860 they held a concert to raise funds for their new uniforms (cap, belt and tunic). 14 members, conductor Mr J.A. Smith, concert included Donizetti's *La Fille du Regiment*. Still active in the 1880s

**Bell Bros Works Band**

See: *Bell Brothers Iron Works Band*

**Bell Brothers Iron Works Band** - Port Clarence, Durham

Active in 1912

**Bell Busk Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Bell Inn Brass Band** - Shropshire

In the Autumn of 1980 a group of wayward juniors broke away from Cleobury Mortimer Silver Band and, with the backing of a local company, formed "The Bray Construction Band". This group of talented young players soon became a force to be reckoned with across the Midlands in a variety of competitions and festivals. In 1987 a new sponsor stepped forward in the form of Roger Gittens, landlord of "The Bell Inn" Cleobury Mortimer, who kindly provided the Band with a home for rehearsals, equipment storage and, perhaps more importantly, a friendly safe atmosphere in which to socialize. This was the start of a new phase with the introduction of more mature players, producing a blend of youth and experience, which is reflected in the present "Bell Inn Brass Band" of Cleobury Mortimer. The band folded in 2014

**Belle Vue Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s. Possibly linked to the Belle Vue Gardens in the town.

**Belle Vue Brass Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1886, active into the 1900s

**Belle Vue Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s. The resident brass band at the Belle Vue Zoological Gardens.

**Belle Vue Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2005 - Note: Gorton, Manchester

**Belling Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1906

**Bellingham Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1909

**Bells Brass Band** - Ashbourne, Derbyshire

Active in 1889

**Bellshill and District Brass Band**

See: *Scottish Gas Board Band*

**Bellshill and Mossend Roman Catholic Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Bellshill Brass Band**

See: *Bellshill Town Band*

**Bellshill Old Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s, revived in 1900, conductor Mr Harvie, bandmaster Rober Wyper.  
Still active in 1909

**Bellshill Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1960s, competing in the 4th section.

**Bellshill Town Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1. Conductor J. W. A. Eskdale in 1900

**Bellshill Union Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Belmont Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851 to 1854

**Belmont Grange Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1895. Linked to Belmont Hall, and possibly the Belmont Colliery nearby at Pittington.

**Belmont Public Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1882 by Harry Gorse of Darwen an employee of Messrs Deakin, in the village. He used to write marches and composed parts for the band during his lunch hour. The band was formed one month before Christmas and a local resident offered 10 shillings to play outside his house, the band jumped at the chance. The bands most successful period was in the late 1920's but 10 years later the band had hit hard times, blaming improved access to Bolton for the decline in the younger generation's interest. The band disbanded in the early 1960's.

**Belmont Village Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Belmont Public Band*

**Belper Baptist Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s/1890s

**Belper Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Active in 1851, 1861

**Belper Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Formed in the 1890s. Folded in 1956.

**Belper Christ Church Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Belper Town Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Belper Brass Band (2)*

**Belper United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1881 (C. Smallwood, conductor), 1891 (William Ryde, bandmaster) and 1899-1912 (James Haywood, bandmaster)

**Belton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Belvedere Baptist Temperance Band** - Kent

See: *Callender's Cable Works Band*

**Belvedere Excelsior Band** - Kent

See: *Callender's Cable Works Band*

**Belvedere Military Band** - Kent

See: *Callender's Cable Works Band*

**Belvoir Street Mission Band** - Norwich, Norfolk

Active around 1905



**Bembridge Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1862

**Bendix Kingswood Band**

See: *Kingswood and District Band*

**Benenden Brass Band** - Kent

Played at the village celebrations for Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887

**Benenden National Sanatorium Band** - Kent

The band played the patients "in" on admission and "out" at discharge (they were often in for many months, up to a year or two). It is likely to have been an ad hoc band consisting of what musicians were available as inmates. The uniforms seem to have been deliberately ragged - some still exist in the museum at Benenden Hospital.

**Benenden Volunteers Band** - Kent

Active in 1904, bandmaster Mr Ealden

**Benquhat Silver Band** - Ayrshire

See: *Benwhat Silver Band*

**Benson Amateur Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Benson Brass Band*

**Benson Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1890s

**Benthall Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Maw and Co. Brass Band*

**Benthall Works Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Maw and Co. Brass Band*

**Bentham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

The band was formed in the mid-1850s and was not wound up until 1969. A member of this band was Richard Adamthwaite (1861-1947), cabinet maker in the employ of the Mr. Thomas Marshall in High Bentham. The band led the procession at the Jubilee celebrations at Clapham in 1897. The band was still in existence in 1936, when it played at the Hodder Valley Show. A photograph of the band exists in the Leeds University Library archive, in papers relating to Rawlinson Charles Ford, who was a silk spinner of Low Bentham, Yorkshire. In its heyday it hosted 'The Bentham Brass Band Competition' and played an important part in town life particularly at galas, fairs and major festivals. It took part in the Brass Band championships at Belle Vue, Manchester in the 1950s.

**Bentham Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Bentham Brass Band*

**Bentinck Colliery Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1. Conductor in 1907, Mr Sharley

**Bentley and Capel Band** - Capel St Mary, Suffolk

Active in 1886

**Bentley and Tissington Brass Band** - Fenny Bentley, Derbyshire

Active in 1856 to 1868

**Bentley Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1910, bandmaster William Blackburn. Gained 2nd prize in a lower section contest at the Crystal Palace in 1911. Active in 1935 and 1952. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by N. Edwards. Still active in 1969.

**Bentley Colliery Silver Band**

See: *Bentley Colliery Band*

**Bentworth Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1859, 1861, conductor M. Springer

**Benwell and District Band** - Northumberland

Active in the early 1900s and the 1920s. Acquired the instruments from the Hebburn Colliery Band after it folded in 1907

**Benwell Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1900s, folding in 1911 when the pit flooded. The colliery did eventually partially re-open.

**Benwhat Silver Band** - Ayrshire

Formed in 1871. Acquired new instruments in 1905. Amalgamated with Ayr Burgh Band to form the Ayr-Benwhat Silver Band in the late 1970s. Probably folded in the late 1980s

**Benwick Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active around 1906

**Bere Regis Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1865

**Berec Ever Ready Band** - Stanley, Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Reg Vardy Band*

**Berger Hall Brass Band** - Bromley, Kent

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. The Crusaders Band attached to the Berger Hall Church.

**Berisfords and Cardway Band**

See: *Berisfords Band*

**Berisfords Band** - Congleton, Cheshire

Active from the mid 1960s through to late 1990s. When the sponsorship ceased the band continued for a short period as the Congleton Band, but folded fairly soon afterwards.

**Berkeley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Acquired new uniforms in 1887

**Berkeley Teetotal Society Band** - Mitcham, Surrey

Active in the late 1890s. Organised by the redoubtable Priscilla Pitt, the Society ran an imaginative programme of social and educational events designed to promote self-improvement and the rejection of alcohol. Initially described as a "ragtag but optimistic bunch", the band developed into proficient musicians. By this stage they had proper instruments and sported uniforms funded by Joseph Ely (founder of the famous Wimbledon department store). The group eventually imported non-teetotal musicians and evolved into the Mitcham Gas Works Band, which was active in 1909. Their musical prowess was such that they appeared at a wide range of events and celebrations, even participating in the Crystal Palace Brass Band Festival. The band probably disbanded during WW1.

**Berkhampstead Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1865, conductor C. Hurst

**Berkhamsted and Boxmoor Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in 1960 by the amalgamation of the Berkhamsted St Peters Band and Boxmoor Silver Band. In 1961 Mr. Stan Sheppard was appointed Musical Director.

**Berkhamsted Congregational Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Berkhamsted Excelsior Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1920s/1930s

**Berkhamsted St Peter's Band** - Hertfordshire

Founded in 1888 by Mr. Thomas Ellens. Many of the members were choristers at the parish church of St. Peters and the Rector of Berkhamsted became the band's president. Mr. Ellens was conductor of the band from 1888 until 1909. In 1960, due to falling numbers in both organisations, Berkhamsted St Peters Band and Boxmoor Silver Band amalgamated to form Berkhamsted and Boxmoor Band.

**Berkhamsted Town Prize Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Berkhamsted Volunteers Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1880s through early 1900s

**Berks Bucks and Oxon T. and A.V.R. (R.C.T.) Band**

Active in the 1960s. Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve, Royal Corps of Transport Band

**Berkswell Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s and the 1900s, bandmaster Mr Turner

**Bermondsey Local Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Bermondsey Men's Institute Band**

See: *Bermondsey Silver Band*

**Bermondsey Silver Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1940/1950s. A Bermondsey Borough Band had existed in the early 1900s, but this was a mixed brass/reed band.

**Berry Brow and Armitage Bridge Band**

See: *Berry Brow Brass Band*

**Berry Brow Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1851. On 26th September 1852, the band played for Lockwood Pig and Poultry Association Annual Show. Conductor James Dyson in 1861. Still active on 19th July 1893 when the band played to entertain the crowds in Greenhead Park, Huddersfield. The band obviously provided an opportunity for the working men of Berry Brow to travel, as in 1860 and 1861 they participated in the 'Great National Brass Band Contest' held in the Crystal Palace in London. On the first occasion their conductor was Mr A. Jackson (who was still at the helm in 1860), and on the second, Joseph Hirst. Other conductors mentioned were J.H.Haley in 1872 and Mr J. Brook in 1874. Berry Brow was a densely packed village about two miles from Huddersfield. It was almost completely bulldozed in the 1960s. At the foot of Berry Brow lies another village, and the band is often named as Berry Brow and Armitage Bridge Band. The band is also remembered in the alliterative local saying "T'best bloomin' bugle blower in t'Berry Braa Brass Band". The band was still active in the late 1890s. It was known as the "Crooked Finger Band" - anyone could tell a member of this band by his permanently crooked fingers - the result of continuous effort on heavy mugs of beer!

**Berry Edge Brass Band** - Consett, Durham

Active in 1862

**Berry Hill Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1911 - Former names: Berry Hill Silver Band, Berry Hill Silver Prize Band (1950s) - Note: Formed by amalgamation of two earlier bands in Berry Hill.

**Berry Hill Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Berry Hill Band*

**Berry Hill Temperance Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1880s. Amalgamated with the Speedwell Colliery Band to form Berry Hill Silver Band in 1911.

**Bersted and Bognor Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s. In April 1910 it included 3 Horns, 3 Bass, 3 Cornets, 2 Drums, Euphonium and Trombone. In 1911 it was referred to as the Bersted and Bognor Prize Band. In 1912 there seemed to be a decline in the Band's popularity and membership had decreased to 9 members. However somebody had faith in the Band and although in 1914 one Bandmaster resigned another was appointed soon after from a selection of 9 applicants. In the same year new uniforms were purchased for the Band which had improved its playing! The Band had reduced to 9 members as 11 were by then in the forces. In 1916 the Bandmaster resigned as there were not enough players. In Easter 1922 the Band gave 5 performances, the Bandmaster's pay was 5 shillings per performance. The Band went into decline from then on, and in 1933 the Town Band Committee recalled Band equipment and music. In 1934 The Music and Instruments were offered to a Mr Bottrill, who declined the offer, and subsequently all items were sold.

**Bersted Brass Band**

See: *Bersted and Bognor Band*

**Bersted Home for Boys Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s. The home was established in around 1890 at Sheepwash Lane (now Hawthorn Road), South Bersted, on the outskirts of Bognor Regis. It could accommodate 40 boys, aged from 8 to 14. From the outset, the home had received boys paid for by the Waifs and Strays Society and was taken over by the Society in 1892. The band gave performances at local events.

**Bervie Town Band**

See: *Inverbervie Town Band*

**Berwick and Donhead Brass Band** - Berwick St John, Wiltshire

Active in 1869

**Berwick and Donhead Silver Band** - Berwick St John, Wiltshire

Active in the 1930s - possibly the same as Berwick St John Band

**Berwick Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Berwick St John Brass Band*

**Berwick St John Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1850s through to the 1950s. C. Hare secretary in 1892

**Berwyn Brass Band** - Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant, Denbighshire

Active in 1857, conductor J. Griffiths. Still active in 1865

**Bescot L and NW Prize Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active from the early 1900s through to WW2.

**Bescot Silver Prize Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Amalgamated with Aldridge Colliery Silver Prize Band and Bloxwich British Legion Band during the Second World War. Newspaper report of 1922: "There were 750 participants, 200 more than the previous year, displaying their procreations under a marquee at Oxley Manor Park Estate. Additional fun and entertainment was provided by the perriots, competitions, sports, dancing and the "Bescot Silver Prize Band".

**Besses Boys Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1943

**Besses o' th' Barn Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1818 - Former names: Besses o' th' Barn Band, Besses o' th' Barn Old Band

**Besses o' th' Barn Congregational Band**

Active in 1882, when it competed against the Besses o' th' Barn Old Band at a contest at Kersley, conducted by Robert Jackson

**Best Blooming Band between Burton and Bagworth**

See: *Five B's Band*

**Bestcot and Walsall District Railway Servants' Brass Band**

See: *Bescot L and NW Prize Band*

**Bestcot LMS Brass Band**

See: *Bescot L and NW Prize Band*

**Bestcot Railwaymen Brass Band**

See: *Bescot L and NW Prize Band*

**Bestwood Colliery Band (1)** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s/1900s through to WW1 (1915 at least)

**Bestwood Colliery Band (2)** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bestwood Welfare Black Diamonds Band*

**Bestwood Welfare Black Diamonds Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1947 - Note: Bestwood Colliery Band

**Beswick and Company's Northenden Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1892

**Beswick Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1910

**Beswick Prize Band** - Lancashire

Active from the early 1900s. Amalgamated with the Moston Band in 1965. They often performed at football grounds on a Saturday afternoon. At one football match at Manchester City a player arrived drunk, but they had him play anyway. As they were marching around the pitch playing, he went straight into the goal post, knocked himself out and had to be carried off!

**Beswick Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1901 through to WW1 (1916 at least). John Frazer conductor in 1903

**Betchworth Brass Band** - Surrey

Formed in the early 1880s, conductor Thomas Gill, active through to the late 1890s

**Bethany Home Brass Band** - Kinver, Staffordshire

Pastor Ernest Hexall founded the Midland Counties Crippled Children's Guild in 1906, and he arranged with Mr Martindale of Kinver for groups of four or five children at a time to stay in his house, for which he paid 6/- per week per child. Demand was such that the Guild leased Hyde House, renaming it Bethany. One of its main claims was that it had the only crippled children's brass band in the world, and George Kimberley came to help out with teaching the children how to play. The band travelled around in the home's bus giving concerts in the neighbouring towns. Pastor Hexall died in 1915, falling off the home's bus, and the home was then run by Richard Davies. Sadly, after a case of neglect in 1919, the home (and band) closed.

**Bethany Temperance Band** - Aberavon, Glamorgan

Formed in 1889 under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Griffiths. At that time there was a large number of young men at Bethany and the idea behind the formation of the Band was to keep them together. Friends advanced money for the instruments. At the time there were only two who could play or read music, so that the conductor had a great deal of work to do in teaching. The story of the first attempt at marching is very interesting. The members, not feeling sufficiently confident to start playing in the street, climbed to the top of Aberavon mountain to practice. The first street march was on the occasion of the home-coming of Sir Sidney Byass, Bart. (then Mr. Sidney Byass) and his bride, when the Band played in the procession back to Aberavon. The Band was very successful in competitions, their greatest success being placed first at Bridgend of eighteen bands. Many will remember their triumphal march through the crowded streets of Aberavon on their return. Two of the members left for the Ministry, and others left the district. This depletion caused the Band to disband. In 1894 it came fifth in a brass band contest at Porth, conducted by Mr. Thomas Griffiths.

**Bethel Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1891 - attached to the People's Bethel Mission, Callowhill Street, Bristol, conductor Mr. Trout.

**Bethel Brass Band** - Cheshire

See: *Bethel Silver Prize Band*

**Bethel Mission Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1907

**Bethel New Connexion Band** - Ovendon, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed by the members of Bethel Methodist New Connexion Chapel, Holmfield. Active in the late 1880s

**Bethel Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1930 - attached to the Bethel Evangelistic Society, Milk Street, Bristol.

**Bethel Silver Prize Band** - Macclesfield, Cheshire

Formed in 1908 as Bethel Brass Band. Obtained new instruments in 1912. Still active in 1950. Conductors: G. Bailey (1908-14 and 1919-21), H. Desborough (1914-17), A. Costello (1921-23), C Pownall (1923), R. J. Deal (1923-1950+)

**Bethersden Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1869, and in 1907 when it played at the Bethersden Chrysanthemum show, conducted by Charles Heathfield

**Bethesda Brass Band**

See: *Bethesda Town Band*

**Bethesda Railway Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1890

**Bethesda Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1850s, through WW1 to the 1930s

**Bethnal Green Industrial School Band** - Middlesex

Active from 1872 through 1881

**Bethnal Green Men's Institute Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1930s through to the 1960s

**Bethnal Green Silver Band**

See: *Bethnal Green Men's Institute Band*

**Betteshanger Brass Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1932 - Former names: Betteshanger Colliery Welfare Band, Betteshanger Colliery Welfare Silver Prize Band (1935)

**Betteshanger Colliery Welfare Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Betteshanger Brass Band*

**Bettws Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Betws Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ammanford Town Silver Band*

**Beulah Brass Band** - Denbighshire

[current band] - Founded in 2000

**Beverley Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1855

**Beverley Borough Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1880s, conductor William Thornton until 1900, then the conductor was George Woodmansey until 1904. Disbanded in the late 1920s or early 1930s. A successor band was formed in 1969.

**Beverley Borough Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Beverley Brass Band*

**Beverley Brass Band** - Ketley, Shropshire

Active in 1869. This band was located near Ketley, possibly getting its name from the Beverley Road

**Beverley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1969 - Former names: Beverley Borough Band (to 1996)

**Beverley Foresters' Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1860

**Beverley Mechanics Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1857.

**Beverley Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Beverley Mechanics Band*

**Beverley Mission Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1887

**Beverley Oddfellows Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1862, 1864

**Beverley Old Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Beverley Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1890s. Probably did not survive WW1.

**Beverley Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Beverley Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Beverley Temperance Band*

**Beverley Town Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Beverley United Prize Band*

**Beverley Unison Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Beverley United Prize Band*

**Beverley United Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1890s, also known as Beverley Town Prize Band. It bought additional instruments in 1899, bandmaster at the time was G.H. Bruce. It disbanded around 1930, when the instruments were handed over to the newly formed Hodgsons Recreational Club Silver Band.

**Bewdley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1851

**Bexhill-on-Sea Town Band** - Sussex

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s

**Bexley A.F.S. Brass Band** - Kent

See: *North Kent Silver Band*

**Bexley Borough Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1970s

**Bexley Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1866. Conductor F. Castleton in the early 1900s

**Bexley Heath Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1867. Also active in the 1890s through 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Hales in 1900

**Bexley Heath Temperance Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster W.H. Oldring in 1900

**Bexley Heath United Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s

**Beyton Evening Centre Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1967

**BHK UK Ltd Horden Band**

See: *Horden Colliery Band*

**BICC Band** - British Insulated Cables Callender's Band,

See: *Callender's Cable Works Band*

**BICC Band** - British Insulated Cables Company Band,

See: *British Insulated Cables Company Brass Band*

**Bicester Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Bicester Brass Band*

**Bicester Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from the 1850s to around 1900

**Bicester British Legion Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1930s

**Bicester Excelsior Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1890/1893, conductor E. Smith

**Bicester YMCA Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1911

**Bickershaw Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Bickershaw Colliery Band**

In 1919 the Abram Coal Company decided to form a brass band under the leadership of Lt.-Col. Ernest Hart. It had marked success in contests in the early 1930s and was renamed Bickershaw Colliery Band in 1937 when the Company took over a further group of collieries. The band was a favourite in its day and took part in over 300 broadcasts. Culmination of the band's success came in 1940 and 1943 when it won the



British Open Championships, with William Haydock as bandmaster. The band folded following the nationalisation of the coal industry in 1947.

**Bickley and Bromley Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Bickley Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor A. West in 1905

**Bicknell's Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bulkington Silver Band*

**Biddenden Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1865 to the early 1900s

**Biddulph Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s

**Biddulph Club and Institute Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1931

**Biddulph Moor Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from 1905 to the 1930s

**Biddulph Prize Band**

Active in the 1980s

**Biddulph Town Moor Band**

See: *Biddulph Moor Brass Band*

**Biddulph Valley Ironworks Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1876 through 1891

**Bideford Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1840s to 1860s

**Bideford Rechabite Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Bideford Rifles Band** - Devon

Active in the 1860s

**Bideford Town Band** - Devon

[current band]

**Bideford Wesleyan Band** - Devon

Active in the 1890s through to 1915 (bandmaster Walter Cole).

**Biggleswade Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Founded in late 1866. Conductor Mr Browning in 1867. Report from 6 December 1890: "Mr George Powers, released after 17 days after a Petition to the Home Secretary, on his return from Bedford Prison to Caldecote was met by cheering crowds, the village was decorated for the occasion - Biggleswade Drum and Fife Band and Biggleswade Brass Band played on Mr Powers's lawn. The band folded in the 1960s and the only remaining artifact is the band's bass drum, discovered in an attic in 2005 and now safely lodged in the Biggleswade History Society archive. Members of the band included Peter Horn who played 2nd trombone in the band in the late 40s/early 50s and his father Herbert (Bert) who played in the band for 35 years. At the time Peter was a band member the drum was played by Ted Robinson and later Les Arger. For further details see: "Biggleswade Town Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Biggleswade Town Band**

See: *Biggleswade Brass Band*

- Biggleswade Volunteers Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1905
- Bildeston Church Institute Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1900s, conductor G. Creswell in 1905.
- Bildeston Town Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1900s
- Bill Quay Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the early 1880s, conductor W. Taylor
- Billericay Brotherhood Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1900s, and 1920s through to the late 1950s. Conductor 1935 was F.W. Price.  
Part of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoons Brotherhood.
- Billericay Silver Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1960s through 1980s
- Billesdon Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1850, 1861
- Billingborough and Horbling Brass Band**  
See: *Billingborough Brass Band*
- Billingborough and Horbling Temperance Brass Band**  
See: *Billingborough Brass Band*
- Billingborough Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active from the late 1890s to the 1910s. Secretary H.G. Owston in 1898. It was "re-established" in 1906 as the Billingborough and Horbling Brass Band, but there were doubts about its self-sufficiency, and an appeal was made for "monetary assistance".  
Conductor Mr Ward in 1908.
- Billingham New Silver Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Billingham Silver Band*
- Billingham Silver Band** - Durham  
[current band] - Founded in 1941 - Former names: Stockton-on-Tees Home Guard Band (to 1943), Stockton-on-Tees Malleable Works and Institute Band (to 1966), Billingham New Silver Band (to 1970)
- Billinghay Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1863 to 1867
- Billingshurst Silver Band** - Sussex  
Active from the 1930s to the 1960s. Took part in the Royal Tunbridge Wells and District Band Federation 27th Annual Band Festival (3rd Section), 14th May 1955, gaining first place, £10 and the Christie Challenge Cup, playing "Overture: Lustspiel" by Keler Bela, adjudicated by Harry Mortimer.
- Billington and Whalley Brass Band**  
Active in 1876 when it promoted a contest
- Bilsdale and Hawnby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1900s
- Bilsdale Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in the 1850s
- Bilston Albert Edward Maine Law Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1864
- Bilston Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1859 and the 1860s, conductor William Hyde.

- Bilston Crown Tube Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1900s to WW1. Bandmaster H. Fisher in 1904, when they acquired new uniforms.
- Bilston Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Bilston Temperance Amateur Excelsior Brass Band*
- Bilston New Town Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Founded in 1862
- Bilston Newton or Catholic Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1864
- Bilston Operatic and Quadrille Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Bilston Operatic Brass Band*
- Bilston Operatic Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1864
- Bilston Temperance Amateur Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor H.J. Metcalfe in 1864. In July 1867 the band were going round Daisy Bank and Coseley in one of Mr Deakin's spring vans to advertise the Temperance Fetes at Bilston. When they got a few yards from the railway bridge, going towards Salop Row, the van stopped for one or two to get out. The horse, instead of standing still, turned suddenly round as if to go back to Bilston, and upset the van over onto its side. Happily no-one was seriously hurt, but the damage done to the musicians' instruments was estimated at £14.
- Bilston Temperance Excelsior Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Bilston Temperance Amateur Excelsior Brass Band*
- Bilston Town and District Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1904, conductor A. Barnsley
- Bilston Wesleyan Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1912
- Bilston Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bilston Silver (Rugby) Band*
- Bilston Magnet Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bilston Silver (Rugby) Band*
- Bilston Silver (Rugby) Band** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1893 - Former names: Bilston Magnet Brass Band (to 1906), Bilston Brass Band (to 1938), Bilston Silver Band (to 1977) - Note: On Rugby Town Band's demise, "Rugby" was added to the name
- Bilston Silver Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bilston Silver (Rugby) Band*
- Binbrook Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active from the 1850s to the 1900s
- Binchester and Whitworth Band** - Durham  
See: *Binchester Brass Band*
- Binchester Brass Band** - Durham  
Active around 1905 - 1910.
- Binchester Colliery Band** - Durham  
See: *Binchester Brass Band*

**Bingham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1860s through to WW2. In 1891 Frank Taylor was the conductor. Took part in the Newark celebrations of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1898 - "Lights and lanterns were incorporated in the Market Place so that visitors could see the full splendour of the Bingham PSA Band. There was a large crowd to hear the excellent and varied musical programme which included hymns classical pieces and popular music." Merged with the Bottesford Brass Band to form Bottesford and Bingham Band by the 1950s

**Bingham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1930s. Amalgamated with Bottesford Brass Band to form Bottesford and Bingham Band by the 1950s

**Bingham PSA Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Bingham Brass Band*

**Bingham Town Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Bingham Brass Band*

**Bingley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1850s through 1880s

**Bingley Mission Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s, Jack Smith bandmaster.

**Bingley New Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s

**Bingley Parish Church School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1888

**Bingley Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and the 1880s

**Birch Mills Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s. In 1895 it competed at a contest at Chirk, conductor Tom Valentine

**Birchfields Road Brass Band**

See: *Manchester Corporation Employees (Birchfields Road) Band*

**Birchgrove and District Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1933

**Birchills Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Founded in 1896, bandmaster Harry Fencott, active into the 1900s

**Birchills Provident Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1886

**Birchills Star Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1886

**Birchills Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1888

**Birchington Silver Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in the 1930s

**Birchington-on-Sea Brass Band** - Kent

Founded in 1905. As this was a "re-organisation" it is assumed there had been a previous band.

**Birchover Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1870s and had disbanded by 1939. They won third prize in a band contest at Ormskirk. After that, they were proudly known as the Birchover Prize Band. Some of the

shine was taken off however when it was later found that there had been only three entrants in the competition!

**Birchover United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Birchover Brass Band*

**Birchwood Ambulance Band** - Upper Birchwood, Derbyshire

See: *Birchwood Colliery Ambulance Band*

**Birchwood Colliery Ambulance Band** - Upper Birchwood, Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s to 1913

**Birchwood Community Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in the 1980s - Former names: Birchwood Silver Band

**Birchwood Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Birchwood Community Band*

**Birdham Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Birdsall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1920s. Practiced at the pub in Langton

**Birdwell and District Subscription Prize Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (2)*

**Birdwell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Barnsley Chronicle Band (2)*

**Birfield Industries Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the 1950s. Birfield were a light engineering company specialising in automotive, railway and aviation products.

**Birkacre Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1854, 1860

**Birkdale Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1902, bandmaster Joseph Leadbetter

**Birkdale Farm School Brass Band** - Lancashire

In 1871, the Liverpool Catholic Reformatory Association opened a Reformatory School for Roman Catholic Boys on Liverpool Road, Birkdale, near Southport. The band was active by 1884 and still active in 1909.

**Birkenhead and District Postal Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Birkenhead Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s

**Birkenhead Borough Silver Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor R.H. Cole in 1884, Thomas Matthews in 1901, W. Jenkins in 1902. In 1912 they entertained the crowd at the opening match at the new Tranmere Rovers Stadium

**Birkenhead Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1860

**Birkenhead Catholic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1862

**Birkenhead Corporation Transport Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1930s

**Birkenhead Excelsior Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s

- Birkenhead Industrial School Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1868. Conductor Mr Bielby in 1869
- Birkenhead Kensit Crusaders Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1903
- Birkenhead L. and N.W. Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Birkenhead London and North Western Railway Band**  
See: *Birkenhead L. and N.W. Brass Band*
- Birkenhead Mission Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1891
- Birkenhead Public Subscription Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the late 1890s to WW1.
- Birkenhead Railway Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1860
- Birkenhead Shore Road Band**  
See: *Shore Road Station Brass Band*
- Birkenhead Shore Road Station Brass Band**  
See: *Shore Road Station Brass Band*
- Birkenhead Town Band** - Cheshire  
Active post-WW2 until the 1970s. In 1951 they competed in the 4th section North West regional championships at the Victoria Hall, Bolton.
- Birkenhead Transport Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1950s - 1970s
- Birkenshaw Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1850s through to the 1890s
- Birling Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1854 to 1868. Conductor Mr Bishop in 1864 to 1868
- Birmingham Brass Band**  
Active in 1867
- Birmingham Britannia Brass Band**  
Active in 1865. Leader R. Jewsbury in 1866. Still active in 1867
- Birmingham British Legion Band**  
Active in 1950
- Birmingham Cable Tram Band**  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Birmingham Carriage and Wagon Works Band**  
See: *Metropolitan Works Band*
- Birmingham City Brass Band**  
Active in from the early 1900s to the 1940s
- Birmingham Corporation Tramways Band**  
Founded around 1906
- Birmingham Heath and Smethwick Institute Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Founded in late 1864
- Birmingham Juvenile Brass Band**  
Active in 1859

**Birmingham Labour Party Brass Band**

Formed in 1920, bandmaster G. Sullivan. It was somewhat ill-fated, having to plead for funds from the local party, and made only a few appearances that first year. It flourished for about six months further, with non-labourites as players, but it is not known why it could not attract "labour" members to its ranks. It was not heard of after August 1923

**Birmingham Metropolitan Works Band**

See: *Metropolitan Works Band*

**Birmingham Midland Railway Brass Band**

Active in 1863, conductor Mr Blandford

**Birmingham Model Brass Band**

Active in 1859 and 1862

**Birmingham Model Juvenile Brass Band**

Active in 1860, conductor Mr Dowling

**Birmingham Naval Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1900s

**Birmingham Police Brass Band**

Active in 1869

**Birmingham Rechabite Excelsior Band**

Active in the 1910s

**Birmingham Royal Brass Band**

Active in 1862

**Birmingham Sailors' and Soldiers' Federation Band**

Active in 1919, conductor C. de Courbard

**Birmingham Saxhorn Band**

Active in the 1860s

**Birmingham School of Music Band**

Formed in 1974 by Roy Curran, trumpeter in the Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. Started in the 2nd section and became 2nd Section National Champions in 1978. A sponsorship deal in 1981 changed their name to the Jones and Crossland Band, with Stephen Roberts taking the baton in 1983. When the sponsorship failed in the mid-1980s the band folded in 1986. A successor band - Hyundai Heart of England Band - was formed in 1987.

**Birmingham St Mary's Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Based at St Mary's, Aston Brook, Aston. Conductor W.F. Rowe in 1903, Mr Grainger in 1905

**Birmingham Star Harmonic Brass Band**

Active in 1872

**Birmingham Star of Hope Brass Band**

Active in 1863, 1864

**Birmingham Temperance Brass Band**

Active 1859, and in 1864, conductor R. Heaton - when it was mistaken for the mythical "Legge Street Temperance Band" at the Erdlington Flower Show. Still active in the 1900s

**Birmingham Temperance Model Brass Band**

Active in 1861

**Birmingham Temperance Saxhorn Band**

See: *Birmingham Temperance Brass Band*

**Birmingham Tradesmen Brass Band**

Active in 1862

**Birmingham Victoria Band**

Active in 1871

**Birmingham Water Works Brass Band** - Aston, Staffordshire

Active in 1899

**Birnieknowe Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster William Etherington

**Birnieknowe St. John's Band**

See: *Birnieknowe Brass Band*

**Birstall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Birstall Old Band*

**Birstall Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s through to the 1950s

**Birstwith Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868 when it was hired by the village show. It performed around the village on Christmas morning. The brass band had good players, but they couldn't all agree - on one occasion they began to 'fratch' among themselves and went home without making a single call. Still active in 1912.

**Birtley and Ouston Band**

See: *Birtley Ouston Pit Colliery Band*

**Birtley 'E' Pit Band**

See: *Birtley Ouston Pit Colliery Band*

**Birtley League of the Cross Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1898, conductor R. Swinburne. Re-organised in 1909, still active in 1920.

**Birtley Ouston Pit Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1930s

**Birtley R.O.F. Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1946

**Birtley Royal Ordnance Factory Band** - Northumberland

See: *Birtley R.O.F. Band*

**Birtley St Joseph Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1900s through to the 1920s. Won 3rd prize at the Crystal Palace in 1913, before that time it had won 17 first and 6 second prizes.

**Birtley Temperance Band** - Northumberland

Active in the late 1890s and early 1900s

**Birtley Town Prize Band** - Northumberland

Active between 1904 and 1928. J. Hughes conductor in 1910.

**Bishampton Albion Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1890s and the 1900s, bandmaster Hemming Smith in 1904

**Bishampton Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1866 to 1881. Conductor Mr Niblett in 1866

**Bishop Auckland Brass Band (1)** - Durham

Active in the 1840s through to the 1880s. Conductor George Elgey in 1862. Distinct from the Bishop Auckland Temperance Brass Band

**Bishop Auckland Brass Band (2)** - Durham

[current band]



**Bishop Auckland Temperance Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Crawford. Distinct from the Bishop Auckland Brass Band

**Bishop Auckland Volunteer Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s/1860s

**Bishop Auckland Workhouse Juvenile Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1866, conductor George Elgey. Still active in 1867

**Bishop Ryder's Ragged School Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Bishop Ryder's School Brass Band*

**Bishop Ryder's School Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active from 1864 into the 1870s. St. Philip's Ragged School was opened in 1846, initially housed in a hired workshop at no. 19 Lichfield Street, Birmingham. The school provided training for boys and girls in mending and making clothes and shoes, as well as ordinary teaching. In 1850, the school was moved to a new building in Gem Street and renamed Birmingham Free Industrial School. It had links with the nearby Bishop Ryder Church. At this date, it provided accommodation in three departments: a day school for boys and girls over 7; industrial classes for boys and girls over 7; an asylum for orphans and deserted children. The school was placed under the Industrial School Act in 1868.

**Bishop Wilton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1899

**Bishopbriggs Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Bishopfield Brass Band** - Kilmarnock, Ayrshire

Active in 1863. Associated with the Bishopfield (Riverbank) Print Works

**Bishop's Castle and Clun Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1865

**Bishop's Castle Town Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1907 to 1966. William Hailstone was Bandmaster at one time. The Code of Practice Rules of the band are housed in the Bishop's Castle Heritage Resource Centre.

**Bishop's Itchington Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Earliest mention of the band is at Harbury Flower Show on 5th August 1889.

Bandmasters: - 1898 A. Randall, 1907 Fred Hunt, 1919 Thomas Busby (Assistant?), 1920 Fred Hunt. Mentioned in news reports from 1889 into the 20th century. It changed its name to Bishops Itchington Imperial Band by the 1950's. It ceased to exist in 1956, when its conductor was Freddie Dalton, when some of its members left to join the relatively new Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band. It tried to re-form in February 1957 but only 12 members turned up, it had sufficient instruments and uniforms and a fair balance in the bank.

**Bishop's Itchington Imperial Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Bishop's Itchington Brass Band*

**Bishops Lydeard Brass Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1888. Active through to WW1. Conductor J. Parkman in 1905

**Bishop's Nympton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1857 to 1897

**Bishop's Stortford Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in 1852, making their public debut on Christmas Eve.

**Bishop's Stortford British Legion Band** - Hertfordshire

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s

**Bishop's Stortford Brotherhood Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1.

**Bishop's Stortford Excelsior Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1910s

**Bishop's Stortford P.S.A. Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Founded in 1904, active through the 1900s

**Bishop's Stortford Union Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Founded in 1863, instruments costing £50. Formed of children from the Bishop's Stortford Union Workhouse, Haymeads Lane, conductor and instructor Edmund Hopson. Active in April 1864 when it played at the Temperance Society meeting in Stansted. Conductor Mr Parsons in 1866. Still active in 1867

**Bishop's Stortford Volunteer Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in January 1900, when it performed in Stansted.

**Bishop's Tachbrook Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Earliest mention of the band is at (Bishops) Tachbrook Flower Show on 26th July 1888. Bandmaster: - 1888 Capt. Bosley (Church Army). Mentioned in news reports for 1888 to 1896. Last mention of the band is 30th July 1896.

**Bishop's Tawton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1867, conductor Mr Waldron

**Bishop's Waltham Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Bishop's Waltham Temperance Brass Band*

**Bishop's Waltham Temperance Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1910s. T. Jolly was bandmaster in 1895. A report in the "Titchfield Echo" describes the Carnival in 1907: "All Titchfield was on its feet on Monday night the August occasion being the November carnival and torchlight procession in memory of the misguided Guido Fawkes. Collections were made for the hospital and the unsuspecting were greatly trapped by this formula: "Gie us a penny, sir, it is the greatest night of the year". Truly Titchfield rose to the occasion. The carnival Committee turned its frolicsome pen to facetious bill composition which announced in fat type that the demonstration would be held on Monday November 5th, WADS (work all day Sunday), that it would be a sumptuous 'OK show'; that the procession would be preponderous (shades of Dr. Johnson preserve us!); that the mounted police would be under the command of Sergeant Buzfuzz and that a conglomeration would be unearthed'. The rest of the bill was descriptive of the line of the route and local witticisms were indulged in exclusively: objects of interest on the itinerary such as Jones' shop, Smiths backyard and Robinson's trade being alluded to in a way that was unfortunately caviar to the general. Monday's affair divides into two sections. In the afternoon the procession went round the town in the full light of day and satisfied the closest inspection. In the evening torch lights, Roman candles and lanterns lent glory and imagination to the scene. greatly hid defects and furthered the fun of the fair. For a village effort the carnival was a marvel of completeness and good organisation and was worth going a long way to see. Portsmouth had not yet managed better cars or devices and Titchfield seems to have much more of that humour that makes the world go hum. A couple of old bicycles that ought to be in the South Kensington Museum. so quaint were their frames, were ridden by the tired tramp tourists,' the fire Brigade was caricatured with a red barrel on wheels with a manual hose: a living skeleton, a Mephistopheles, a barbaric barber, women and wine and the gaming table with its

consequent caged convict breaking stones, and an airship "Polly Secundus" cleverly rigged up on a bicycle and illuminated with acetylene lamps. Then the Foresters and Oddfellows with their usual tableau cars as to the value of provision against sickness, Jack was to be seen saving farewell to the Miller's daughter with the wheel going round and round and dripping real water, a car illustrating the sad story of the 'Mistletoe Bough', fish frying, blacksmithing and various trade cars including bun making. The cars were decorated with material and foliage and at night lighted with Chinese lanterns, while followers carried oil flares casting a lurid light on niggers and grandees, cowboys and swashbucklers, old hags and bearded patriarchs. Masks were much worn doubtless because in a village where everyone knows everyone else (often their business as well), it is a great occasion to be able for a little while to sink one's own identity. The small boys fairly throbbed with excitement. Lights burned and crackers banged off around your feet and over your head and so great was the crush that Titchfield could hardly move through its own streets, which it meagerly lights with oil, made all the more impoverished-looking by the generosity of Monday's private illuminations. Music was supplied by the Bishops Waltham Brass Band and the Titchfield Fifes and Drums which took part in the procession through the streets to the recreation field. There was no organised fire display but the fun of a Bal Masque was kept up until a late hour long after the last torch had spluttered out. Then Titchfield went home through streets dark with wet mist and redolent of benzolene and gunpowder smoke".

**Bishopsgate Band of Hope Brass Band - Middlesex**

Founded in 1862, conductor Mr Kent, at the Temperance Hall (Union Hall), Artillery Lane, Bishopsgate

**Bishopstone Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in the 1890s through to the 1920s. Conductor W. Keen in 1904

**Bishopstone Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Competed in a contest at Shaftesbury in 1909. Conductor R. Redford in 1897

**Bishopstone Mills Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Bishopthorpe Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

In 1846 the village brass band escorted the Archbishop of York back from Middlethorpe. It was still active in 1867. In 1890 a contemporary account noted: "A brass band consisting of 15 performers existed in the village for twenty years, under the care of the late Mr. Thomas Carbert, and enjoyed considerable popularity for twenty or thirty miles around. They played at most of the club anniversaries of the district and occasionally at York elections and other times. The band still exists, but its character, composition and management are entirely changed."

**Bishopwearmouth Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Bishopwearmouth Operatic Band*

**Bishopwearmouth Operatic Band - Durham**

Active in the 1850s to 1880s. Conductor R. Robinson in 1865, H. Lothin in 1867, G.B. Smith in 1869

**Bisley Boys' School Band - Surrey**

See: *Bisley Farm School Band*

**Bisley Farm School Band** - Surrey

Active in 1869. Also active in the early 1900s and the 1930s (known as the Boys School Band). The Farm School was a refuge school set up in the 1860s by the National Refuges for Homeless and Destitute children. A Shaftesbury School was also set up there in 1873.

**Bisley Institution Brass Band** - Surrey

See: *Bisley Farm School Band*

**Bisley Oakridge Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s

**Bisley Shaftesbury School Band** - Surrey

See: *Bisley Farm School Band*

**Bispham Parish Church Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1970s

**Bitchburn Colliery Band** - Howden-le-Wear,

Active in 1905

**Bitterne and West End Band** - Hampshire

See: *Southampton Air Training Corps Band*

**Bitterne Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1885. The drummer was R.C. Payne, the local Undertaker, and the Bandmaster was C. Watson.

**Bitton Mission Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1938

**Black Boy Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1867, conductor Thomas Woods, leader W. Teesdale, and also in 1879. Based at Coundon.

**Black Country Brass** - Lower Gornal, Staffordshire

Formed in the early 1970s. Merged with West Bromwich Band in 1987 to form Sandwell Brass Band (which later was renamed as Black Country Brass)

**Black Country Brass** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1980s - Former names: Sandwell Brass Band - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of West Bromwich Band and Black Country Brass

**Black Dyke Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1855 - Former names: Black Dyke Mills Band, John Foster Black Dyke Mills Band

**Black Dyke Mills Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Black Dyke Band*

**Black Rock Brass Band** - Llanelli, Carmarthenshire

Active in 1860, conductor G. Williams

**Black Rock Brass Band** - Cornwall

This band was, in fact, based in the village of Crowan, due south of Camborne, so one can only conjecture as to why the name Blackrock when this village is about one mile east of Crowan. Perhaps the unknown leader was about the only person who lived in Black Rock? They worked from c1870 to c1895 and in the later part of their life carried out contesting challenges, not with any noteworthy results however. Conductor J. Corey in the 1890s

**Blackborough Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1866

**Blackboys Brass Band - Sussex**

Active from the late 1880s to WW1. In 1910 it took part in a torchlight procession from Five Ashes to Hadlow Down and back. Conductor G. Turner in 1905, R. Turner in 1908.

**Blackbraes and District Band**

See: *Blackbraes Brass Band*

**Blackbraes Brass Band - Stirlingshire**

Active from the 1880s through to the 1950s

**Blackburn All Saints Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. T. Ormerod secretary in 1887.

**Blackburn and Darwen Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1950 - Former names: Darwen and Hoddleston Silver Prize Band, Darwen British Legion Band (1965 to early 1970s) - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Darwen Borough Prize Band and Pickup Bank Band

**Blackburn Artillery Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1860s

**Blackburn Borough Band - Lancashire**

Active from the mid-1860s through to the early 1900s

**Blackburn British Legion Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1928

**Blackburn Christ Church Band - Lancashire**

Formed in 1860, originally the Christ Church School Brass Band. Active through the 1860s and 1870s

**Blackburn Comic Prize Band - Lancashire**

Had its home at the Bethesda Hall, Stansfeld Street in the 1920s

**Blackburn Coronation Band - Lancashire**

Founded in 1910. Active into the 1920s. Their Band Club was wrecked in 1914 due to a gas explosion.

**Blackburn Guide Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s

**Blackburn Old Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1887, 1891 and 1924. From the obituary of William Ainsworth - "Born 1854, Died Feb/March 1924 whilst living at 137, Queens Park Road, Blackburn. Buried in Blackburn Cemetery. Funeral procession was led by the Blackburn Old Prize Band. He was a well known local footballer in his youth, also a step-dancer who won at least one championship and a belt, and a member of Blackburn Old Prize Band. Two of his sons, Harold, a well known cornet soloist, and Ernest also played in the Blackburn Old Prize Band."

**Blackburn Public Band - Lancashire**

Active around 1887, 1900 and 1933. Queen's Park, Blackburn, created to celebrate Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee, held the town's jubilee celebrations in September 1887 when the main drive and lake were illuminated and the Blackburn Public Prize Band gave a musical selection.

**Blackburn Public Prize Band**

See: *Blackburn Public Band*

**Blackburn Ragged School Brass Band - Lancashire**

Formed around 1887. Active in the late 1880s to the early 1900s. The Ragged School was established in 1881 by John Thomas Walkden and James Dixon.

- Blackburn Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1899
- Blackburn Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s through the 1880s. Conductor George Ellis in 1855
- Blackburn Town Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s
- Blackburn United Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1850
- Blackburn Valley Brass Band** - Barkisland, Lancashire  
Active in 1909. Renamed Krumlin Mills Band in the 1930s and back to Blackburn Valley Brass Band in the 1950s and 1960s.
- Blackburn Volunteer Band**  
See: *Blackburn Artillery Band*
- Blackburn Wesleyan Mission Band** - Lancashire  
Active around 1900
- Blackburn's Musical Palace Fleet Band**  
See: *Palace Fleet Brass Band*
- Blackburn's Steel Works Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*
- Blackfriars Working Men's Mission Band** - London  
Active in the early 1900s through to the early 1920s
- Blackhall Colliery Band (1)** - Durham  
Active in 1921
- Blackhall Colliery Band (2)** - Durham  
Formed in June 1926, it quickly established its name and quality. It became the Northern Area Champions in 1945 and established a world record when it competed in eight contests on Friday 10th June 1938 and won eight prizes. Folded in the 1950s.
- Blackhall Original Band** - Durham  
Active in 1929
- Blackhall Youth Band**  
See: *Broughtons Brass Band*
- Blackheath Prince of Wales Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the early 1890s
- Blackheath St Paul's Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1893
- Blackheath Town Band** - Worcestershire  
Formed after WW1. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s, still active in the 1940s. Blackheath Town Prize Band played at the Easter Sports of Birchfield Harriers, at Cape Hill, Birmingham on April 18, 1927.
- Blackheath Village Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1890s through to WW1
- Blackhill Mission Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1870s, 1890
- Blackhill St Mary's Band** - Durham  
Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Also known as St Mary's League of the Cross Brass Band

**Blackhill St Mary's League of the Cross Brass Band**

See: *Blackhill St Mary's Band*

**Blackhill Teetotal Band**

See: *Consett Iron Works Band*

**Blackhill Temperance Band**

See: *Consett Iron Works Band*

**Blackhill Workmen's Band - Durham**

Active in 1914 when Henry Tyndale was secretary

**Blackley Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1941 - Former names: Blackley Home Guard Comrades Association Band, Blackley Silver Prize Band (1946)

**Blackley Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1874, secretary E. Dunham

**Blackley Home Guard Comrades Association Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackley Band*

**Blackley Home Guard Comrades Band - Lancashire**

Active in the late 1940s

**Blackley Reformatory Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1880

**Blackley Silver Prize Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackley Band*

**Blackminster School Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in 1971

**Blackmoor Vale Brass Band - Henstridge, Somerset**

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s. Conductor Joseph Elkins in 1885

**Blackpool Ambulance Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1906-8. Dennis Stansfield conductor in 1908

**Blackpool and Fylde Blind Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active around 1910

**Blackpool Associated Works Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1940s. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by S.M. Rowe).

**Blackpool Brass - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1966 - Former names: Blackpool Town Band, Dutton Forshaw Motors Band (1973), Marton Mere Band (1985-1990)

**Blackpool Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1864

**Blackpool British Legion Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1950s

**Blackpool Central Club Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1929

**Blackpool County Borough A.F.S. Band - Lancashire**

See: *Blackpool County Borough Band*

**Blackpool County Borough Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1909 and the 1930s. Re-organised in 1910. During WW2 it was associated with the Auxilliary Fire Service.

**Blackpool Excelsior Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1919 through the 1940s

**Blackpool Fishermen's Band** - Lancashire

See: *Blackpool Lifeboat Band*

**Blackpool Lifeboat Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1891 through to 1940. Also known as Blackpool Fishermen's Band

**Blackpool Norman Memorial Band** - Lancashire

See: *Norman Memorial Youth Silver Band*

**Blackpool Public Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1920s

**Blackpool Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

Formed March 1926 as Blackpool Special Constabulary Silver Prize Band. Active through the 1940s/50s

**Blackpool South Shore Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s to 1910s

**Blackpool Special Constabulary Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Blackpool Silver Prize Band*

**Blackpool Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1870. Also in the the 1930s/1940s

**Blackpool Town Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackpool Brass*

**Blackrock Band**

See: *Black Rock Brass Band*

**Blackrod Band**

Formed in 1872 as Blackrod Good Templar's Band it changed its name to Blackrod Public Subscription Band within a few years. It held its rehearsals in the building that was the Old Grammar School and is nowadays used as Council Offices. Each member then paid an entrance fee of 5 shillings and a weekly subscription of 1 shilling. Eventually it was decided to enter for contests, and in consequence it was necessary for a professional conductor to be engaged to ensure that the correct training was given to the band. Many conductors held this very important position, Messrs. Durham, Wheelwright, Rutter, Peatfield, Fairhurst and Pollard coming readily to mind. Several prizes were won during this period, but a first prize eluded them. During 1913 a new set of instruments was purchased at a cost of £378, and shortly afterwards a set of new uniforms was obtained at a cost of approximately £114. It will be realised that this sum was very heavy expenditure in those days, and the band are worthy of congratulations for the courage that was shown, especially when it is known that they only had the sum of £90 available. Members of the band, however, loaned money and borrowed the remainder. This effort was supported by the free services rendered by the officials and bandsmen for six years until they were clear of the debt. Mr Percy Bullough, who was appointed bandmaster in 1907, became conductor in 1918 [a bandmaster, usually a player in the band, was deputy to the conductor and fulfilled rehearsals or engagements that the conductor could not. Most modern bands still have a bandmaster]. It was decided to compete in contests again, and soon the patience and enthusiasm shown over the years was crowned with glory, for the band won their first, first prize at Haydock. A story told about the band was that it was not uncommon for the bandsmen to have to be summoned from the Scot Lane Inn to start the village parade or either the field day. One bandsmen who was the



worst for drink sat down on a wall with his bass and overbalanced landing in a garden with the instrument on top of him! One claim to fame is that the professional tenor John Mitchinson made one of his first public performances with them. They disbanded in the early 1960s

**Blackrod Good Templar's Band**

See: *Blackrod Band*

**Blackrod Public Subscription Band**

See: *Blackrod Band*

**Blackrod Temperance Band**

See: *Blackrod Band*

**Blackwater Band - Cornwall**

The band, which was originally a brass and reed combination, was formed in 1901 by a clarinet playing ex-bandman of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, C.Retallack. As implied, the instrumentation was changed later on, by Mr Retallack, to an all brass band, and Mr Retallack continued to lead them on his clarinet. No contesting can be discovered.

**Blackwater Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in 1855

**Blackwell and B Winning Colliery Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s

**Blackwell Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1990s. Folded in 1998 (when the remaining brass players invited woodwinds to join them to form the current Blackwell Concert Band.

**Blackwell Silver Prize Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1897 and 1915 and probably linked to the Blackwell collieries.

**Blackwood Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in 1849

**Blackwood Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1876

**Blackwood Methodist Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1901

**Blackwood Temperance Band**

See: *Blackwood Methodist Band*

**Blaenau Festiniog Brass Band - Merioneth**

Founded in 1864, with 14 members (young men working in the quarries) and instruments costing £30. Initially taught by the bandmaster of the Portmadoc Volunteers, Mr J Dickson. Conductor C. Lawrence in 1869. Between 1883 and 1895 won prize money to the value of nearly £300 in competitions in Porthmadog, Barmouth, Dolgellau, Llanrwst, Llanfairfechan, Corwen, Rhyl, Bala and Caernarfon. Still active in the 1920s and 1930s as Festiniog Silver Band

**Blaenau Philharmonic Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1855. Conductor Mr Sewell in 1859

**Blaenavon Colliery Workmen's Band - Monmouthshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Blaenavon Town Band*

**Blaenavon Colliery Workmen's Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1950s

**Blaenavon Concert Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1972 - Former names: Blaenavon Youth Band

**Blaenavon Temperance Band** - Monmouthshire

See: *Blaenavon Templar Brass Band*

**Blaenavon Templar Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1890s through to 1918. In 1897 it played a "Grand Vocal and Instrumental Concert" at the Workmen's Institute Hall, Blaenavon, in aid of the instrument fund.

**Blaenavon Town Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Blaenavon Town Silver Band, Blaenavon Colliery Workmen's Band (to early 1980s)

**Blaenavon Youth Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blaenavon Concert Band*

**Blaengarw Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the early 1900s to the 1950s

**Blaengwynfi Colliery Band**

See: *Aber and Blaengwynfi Workmens Silver Band*

**Blaenrhondda Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Blagdon Brass Band**

Formed in the 1920s. It is said to have played on Friendly Society Whitsun Walks - the Buffaloes, the Oddfellows and the Foresters were local societies. The Postmaster Wilf or Frank Light was one of the players. The instruments were possibly given by Lord Winterstoke, who was keen on self improvement for the villagers. A disused cottage in the centre of the village was used for storage (and possibly for practice). During WW2 this cottage was used by the Home Guard and they were going to revive the band, but the instruments, having been unused for a long time were unplayable. It is thought that a sousaphone accompanied the 'Victorian Carol Party' round the village some 40-50 years ago.

**Blaina and District Silver Band**

See: *Blaina Band*

**Blaina Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Formed in 1817 and converted to all brass in 1832 with Enbach instruments from Amsterdam. The band was originally known as Brown's Works Band, supported by the local Brown's Ironworks. Later also known as Blaina Lancaster Band, Blaina New Lancaster Town Band, Blaina Town Band and Blaina and District Silver Band. In 1894 it came sixth in a brass band contest at Porth, conducted by Mr. F. Birkenshaw. They competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Folded around 2000. Conductors: Carl Sheffier (1817-), John Bailey (1898-1903), J. Martin (1904-1909), J.B. Yorke (1914-1946)

**Blaina Lancaster Band**

See: *Blaina Band*

**Blaina New Lancaster Town Band**

See: *Blaina Band*

**Blaina Philharmonic Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1857

**Blaina Town Band**

See: *Blaina Band*

**Blair and Co. Engine Works Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

Active from the 1860s through to the early 1900s

**Blair and Sumner's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

See: *Messrs Blair and Sumner's Brass Band*

**Blairgowrie and Rattray Municipal Band**

See: *Blairgowrie Brass Band*

**Blairgowrie Brass Band** - Perthshire

Founded in 1857. Active through to the 1930s. Committee minutes, 1905-1962, are held in the Perth and Kinross Council Archive. In 1901 and 1902 the Blairgowrie and Rattray Merchant's Association agreed to donate £5 to the Band, specifically in 1902 the Association Secretary was instructed to write to the Bandmaster, when handing over the money, to the effect that the Association would like the Band to appear more frequently in public than they did last year. The band folded in 1904 but was reformed again in 1905, with many of the original band members and their instruments.

**Blakenall Heath Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Blakeney and District Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed 1953 from the remaining members of Two Bridges Brass Band who moved to Blakeney. Managed to buy a brand new set of instruments within a year and pay for them all by 1957.

**Blakeney Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in the village before 1843 - it was in regular demand for events in the Forest area during the mid 19th century. Conductor Walter Hulin in 1866. Still active in 1909, with conductor Percy Bennett

**Blakesley Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. In 1901 it promoted a contest.

**Blanchland Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1854. Also active in the early 1900s. Players: Cornet: John Westgarth, Oliver Murray, William Waggott, John Whitfield, Willie Westgarth. Horn: John Brown, Adam Murray. Euphonium: William Brown, William Mawson-Bell. Bass: Edmund Oliver.

**Blandford Amateur Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the 1830s to the 1900s. Had great success in Enderby Jackson's contests in the early 1860s. Conductor R. Eyers in 1860.

**Blandford Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Blandford Amateur Brass Band*

**Blandford Stour Valley Brass Band** - Dorset

[current band]

**Blandford Temperance Brass Band** - Dorset

Founded in November 1865, conductor W. Applin. First public performance in January 1866. Still active in 1869

**Blankney Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1864

**Blankney Foresters' Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1852

**Blantyre Mission Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Blantyre Parish Brass Band**

See: *Blantyre Public Band*

**Blantyre Public Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor J. Sommerville in 1899, John Donnelly in 1905.

**Blantyre Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Blantyre St Joseph's Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor J. Somerville in 1899

**Blantyre YMCA Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Blaydon Brass Band** - Durham

Active in from the early 1860s to the 1880s. Conductor Thomas Thorburn in 1869-1881

**Blaydon Comrades Victory Band** - Durham

Active in 1921. Probably formed by survivors of the Great War.

**Bleaching Works Brass Band** - Catrine, Ayrshire

See: *Catrine Bleaching Works Brass Band*

**Bleak House Band** - Feock, Cornwall

Formed just after WW1, this band, at first, consisted almost entirely of members of the Trebilcock and Marshall families. Their first set of instruments were bought from the defunct Feock Band. One of these Trebilcocks lived at Bleak House, so much of their rehearsals were carried out there. They carried on until they had to disband in 1929.

**Bleangarw Temperance Band**

Active in 1894

**Bleasdale Foresters' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1861

**Blebo Works Brass Band** - Kemback, Fife

See: *Messrs Alexander Watson's Works Brass Band*

**Bledington Temperance Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s

**Blendworth Brass Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Bletchington Silver Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Former names: Bletchington Prize Band

**Bletchley Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Bletchley Town Silver Band*

**Bletchley Station Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the early 1890s through the 1930s. Associated with the railway station in Bletchley. There is a picture of the band in H. Gregg's book "Town of Trains", dated 1920's. Conductor G. Cook in 1892, A. Boughton in 1903, C.E. Tregenza in 1910, C. Essen in 1912-1927, C. Burt in 1936.

**Bletchley Town Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1880s through to the 1980s. In 1948 it organised its second annual contest

**Blewbury Brass Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1910

**Blidworth Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

From 1885 directory: "...composed in 1880, and consists of 12 performers; James Robinson bandmaster"

**Blidworth Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*

**Blidworth Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1880s - Former names: Stanton Hill Temperance Band, Stanton Hill Silver Prize Band, Teversal Colliery Welfare Band, Blidworth Colliery Band, Blidworth Welfare RBJ Mining Band, Hopkins Solicitors Blidworth Welfare Band - Note: When Teversal Colliery was closed, the rehearsal facilities were also withdrawn, so the Band had to ally itself with another Welfare (another colliery that was still in production.) Blidworth was chosen, and the Band moved there over the winter of 1980/81. In 1979 the band had the distinction of entering 13 contests in the second section, and winning 11. They were outright holders of the Radio Nottingham Band of the year trophy, having won it on three successive occasions. (77/78/79).

**Blidworth Welfare RBJ Mining Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*

**Blight's Cornopean Brass Band**

Founded by William Blight and active in 1844 when it played at the Floral Fete in the Royal Surrey Zoological Gardens, on Tuesday, September 17th. Other attractions included a "grand dahlia and miscellaneous flower show for flowers, fruit, and vegetables, combined with picturesque grounds, superb menagerie, gigantic model of old London, a model of Venice, feeding of the carnivora, promenade concerts introducing Beethoven's Battle Sinfonia, Spohr's "Consecration of Sounds," etc. and Great Fire of London, allowed to be the grandest pyrotechnic display ever witnessed. No establishment in Europe presents so many, varied and unique attractions. Admittance one shilling. Open at one. Conflagration at eight o'clock" . Also advertised elsewhere as "available to accept engagements for Public Dinners, Water Parties, Promenades, Archery Fetes, Flower Shows, Fancy Fairs and Etc."

**Blisland Brass Band** - Cornwall

See: *Blisland Temperance Band*

**Blisland Temperance Band** - Cornwall

Formed about 1863 and found east of Wadebridge, they later changed their title to Blisland Brass Band. Their appearances were known to have been carried out up to 1902. A non-contesting band.

**Blisworth Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1868

**Blisworth Gardens Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1858

**Blochairn Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in 1858. May have been associated with the Blochairn Iron Works

**Blochairn Ironworks Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in 1864

**Blockley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Active from 1868

**Blofield and District Silver Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Broadland Brass Band*

**Bloomsbury Institution Mission Band** - Nechells, Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s to 1930s. The Institution was located in Nechells, founded in 1860, carrying out educational, social and charitable work.

**Bloxham Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from 1861. Tom Baughen (licensee of the Unicorn Inn) became its conductor when it amalgamated with the Bloxham Church Band some time prior to 1914. Before the 1860s there was a local band (Deddington and Bloxham Brass Band in the 1840s, and Adderbury and Bloxham Brass Band in the 1850s. Conductor in 1907 was George Manning.

**Bloxham Church Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the early 1900s. Amalgamated with the Bloxham Brass Band some time prior to 1914

**Bloxham Old Band**

See: *Bloxham Brass Band*

**Bloxham Temperance Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1900s. Bandmaster in 1907 was H. Eagles.

**Bloxham Wesleyan Mission Band**

See: *Bloxham Temperance Band*

**Bloxwich Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1856. Conductor John Gee in 1868.

**Bloxwich British Legion Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s. Amalgamated with Aldridge Colliery Silver Prize Band and Bescot Band during World War 2

**Bloxwich Imperial Prize Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s through to at least 1919

**Bloxwich Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1888 to 1892

**Blue Coat Brass Band** - Chester, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Chester Brass Band*

**Blue Coat School Brass Band** - Bridgnorth, Shropshire

See: *Bridgnorth Blue Coat School Brass Band*

**Blue Coat School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1903

**Blue Coat School Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Chetham's Hospital Boys Band*

**Blue Coat School Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire

Active in 1855 and 1965

**Blue Cord Brass Band**

See: *Weston-Super-Mare Blue Cord Brass Band*

**Blue Jackets Band** - Wigan, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Pemberton Old Wigan Band*

**Blue Jackets Volunteer (Royal Navy) Band**

See: *Royal Navy Portsmouth Barracks Band*

**Blue Pits Brass Band** - Castleton, Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in 1869, attached to the British Timber Company at Bluepits

**Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

See: *Derby Blue Ribbon Mission Band*

- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Exeter, Devon  
 See: *Exeter Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band*
- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Hartlepool,  
 See: *Hartlepool Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band*
- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1883, bandmaster Joseph Cunningham
- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Ratho, Midlothian  
 Active in 1900
- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Rotherham Borough Band*
- Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire  
 See: *Wrexham Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band*
- Bluecoat Hospital Band** - Chester, Cheshire  
 See: *Chester Bluecoat Hospital Band*
- Bluecoat Hospital Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1860s
- Bluejacket R.N. Band**  
 See: *Blue Jacket Band*
- Blues of the Vale Brass Band** - Sturminster, Dorset  
 Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Bandmaster Robert Tite in 1880.
- Blundell, Spence and Co. Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in 1857 - Blundell Spence and Company were paint manufacturers and oil seed crushers in Kingston upon Hull.
- Blunsdon Brass Band**  
 See: *Blunsdon St Leonards Brass Band*
- Blunsdon St Leonards Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in the early 1900s
- Bluntisham Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire  
 Active in 1862, conductor Mr Abrahams
- Blurton Junior High Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in 1965
- Blyth Amateur Brass Band** - Northumberland  
 Founded in 1867, with 21 members, instruments (cost £94) from Butler of London.  
 Conductor J. Smith in 1868. Leader J.E. Nelson in 1869. Still active in 1905
- Blyth and Cowpen Operatic Band** - Northumberland  
 Formed in 1894 and still active in 1902
- Blyth and District Band** - Northumberland  
 Active between 1904 and 1909. Also active in the 1960s.
- Blyth Artillery Volunteers Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in 1882 when it acquired new instruments, still active in 1894
- Blyth Brass Band**  
 See: *Blyth Amateur Brass Band*
- Blyth British Legion Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the 1950s
- Blyth L.N.E.R. Band** - Northumberland  
 Formed in 1921 and still active in the late 1950s

**Blyth N. E. Railway Band**

See: *Blyth L.N.E.R. Band*

**Blyth Operatic Band**

See: *Blyth and Cowpen Operatic Band*

**Blyth Promenade Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1880s

**Blythe Bridge Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s

**BMP Europe Goodshaw Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1867 - Former names: Goodshawfold Brass Band (to c.1904), Goodshaw Prize Band, Goodshaw Crawshawbooth, Goodshaw Band

**BNFL Leyland Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Leyland Band*

**Boarshurst and Saddleworth Rifles Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Boarshurst Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1849 - Former names: Boarshurst Silver Prize Band

**Boathouse Brass Band** - Matlock, Derbyshire

Active in 1850

**Bocking Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Bocking Concert Brass** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Bocking Concert Brass, KES Brass (1993-1997)

**Bodicote Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1864, and in the 1890s and 1900s

**Bodmin Comrades Brass Band** - Cornwall

See: *Helland Brass Band*

**Bodmin Regnal Mission Band** - Cornwall

Records of the band, from 1941-1942 are held by Bodmin Town Museum

**Bodmin Street Reform Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1892

**Bodmin Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1927

**Bognor Old Town Band**

See: *Bognor Town Band*

**Bognor Town Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s, re-organised in 1908, H.R. Hiam conductor. Still active into the 1920s

**Bolckow and Vaughan's Middlesbrough Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s, based at the ironmaking and mining company at South Bank, Middlesbrough.

**Bold Colliery Band**

See: *Bold Miners' Welfare Band*

**Bold Miners' Welfare Band** - St Helens, Lancashire

Formed around 1970 and folded around 1990. Thought to be the last miners band on the Lancashire coal field. A lot of their music was inherited from the earlier Clock Face Colliery Band. A report from "Coal Face", in June 1979, states: "Band 'Babes' Cut Their



Contest Teeth. Brass competition 'babes' who have collected their first trophy after even years are aiming to follow the lead of another Western Area band bidding for top prizes. Musicians in St. Helens' Bold Colliery Band made their trophy-winning debut at Workington, Cumbria. "It's the breakthrough they've been looking for," says Admin. Officer, Frank Kenyon. Music loving Frank took action when Clock Face Colliery closed some years ago and their instruments became available. he thought it would be a pity if the band tradition died and decided to re-form them at Bold and they are now one of the North West's last surviving colliery bands. Bold bandmen were helped in their re-birth by CISWO who transferred the old Clock Face instruments and by pitmen like now-retired training officer Jack Wildman; "It was very hard work but we now have a full sized 24-string band with plenty of reserve players as well." says Frank Kenyon. Pianist Frank, who got his taste for the sound of brass from his father who used to take him to hear the former Bickershaw Colliery Band as a boy, adds: "We give free performances for any coal industry function we are invited to and always play at the paraplegics sports at Blackpool. "Some of the lads have even appeared on TV during a scene from the Liver Birds but of course our big ambition is to win at the NCB finals at the Mining Weekend. The band give free tuition for any youngster who fancies the chance to blow his own trumpet, miner's children especially being welcome."

#### **Boldon Colliery (Go-Ahead Group North East) Band**

See: *Boldon Colliery Band*

#### **Boldon Colliery Band - Durham**

Formed in 1911, as Boldon Colliery Workmen's Band, it folded in 2004. In its later years it was known as Boldon Colliery (Go-Ahead Group North East) Band and Boldon Colliery VRX Band.

#### **Boldon Colliery VRX Band**

See: *Boldon Colliery Band*

#### **Boldon Colliery Workmen's Band**

See: *Boldon Colliery Band*

#### **Boldshay Victoria Band - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1890s

#### **Boleyn Castle Boys Band - Upton Park, Essex**

Active in the 1900s. This was the band from the St Edward's Reformatory for Roman Catholic Boys, which was run by the Brothers of the Order of Mercy. It could accommodate 220 boys

#### **Bolingey Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1890s. Bolingey will be found half way between Newquay and St Agnes. Played at a bazaar in Zelah in 1890, and at the St Agnes Regatta of 1891 under the direction of a Mr Veale.

#### **Bollington Brass Band (1) - Cheshire**

Active from the 1850s, and disbanded on the eve of the Second World War. A successor band was formed in 1972

#### **Bollington Brass Band (2) - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1972

#### **Bolney Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in 1878

**Bolsover Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in 1861, disbanded in 1906, presumed to have reformed in 1907 and active through to WW1. John Wood was charged with stealing a cornet from the band in 1907, and walking to Newcastle-upon-Tyne where he was arrested. Conductor J. Bowden in 1912.

**Bolsover Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Formed 1894. Still active in the late 1970s

**Bolsover Miners Welfare Band**

See: *Bolsover Colliery Band*

**Bolsover Silver Prize Band**

See: *Bolsover Colliery Band*

**Boltby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Bolter End Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1864

**Bolton Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1866

**Bolton Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1864 as Bolton Shepherd's Band, renamed Bolton Borough by 1865.

Conductor Joseph Fletcher in 1866. Active to the 1890s

**Bolton Brass Band** - Bolton Low Houses, Cumberland

See: *Bolton Low Houses Brass Band*

**Bolton Brass Band** - Bolton-le-Sands, Lancashire

See: *Bolton-le-Sands Brass Band*

**Bolton Brass Band** - Bolton-on-Dearne, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Bolton Brass Works** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2007 - Former names: Dunsicar Brass Band (to 2008)

**Bolton Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1869, conductor H. Brockbank

**Bolton I.O.R. Band**

See: *Bolton Rechabites Band*

**Bolton Independant Order of Rechabites Band**

See: *Bolton Rechabites Band*

**Bolton Low Houses Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Storey.

**Bolton Moor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1856

**Bolton Old Band** - Lancashire

Formed as a reed band in around 1803. They were attached to the Bolton Volunteer Regiment under Colonel Fletcher. The Colonel was a great lover of music and when the regiment was disbanded soon after the Napoleonic war he kept the band on at a cost of over £1,000 a year to himself. The regiment was reformed in 1819 and the band once again became the regimental band. Colonel Fletcher died in 1832 and the regiment was taken over by the Earl of Ellesmere. Sometime around 1850 the regimental headquarters were moved to Worsley and the band had converted to all brass. They had disbanded by 1884.

### **Bolton Parish Church School Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1863

### **Bolton Pioneer Band**

See: *Bolton Public Band (1)*

### **Bolton Prize Band**

See: *Bolton Borough Prize Brass Band*

### **Bolton Public Band (1) - Lancashire**

Formed as Bolton Pioneer Band, became Bolton Public Band in 1907 only to disband in 1908. A successor band was formed after WW1.

### **Bolton Public Band (2) - Lancashire**

Formed in the 1920's it had disbanded by late 1955. In 1951 they competed in the 4th section North West regional championships at the Victoria Hall, Bolton.

### **Bolton Rechabites Band - Lancashire**

The early Temperance movement in the 1820's and 1830's only required its members to sign a pledge against the more 'ardent spirits'. By the 1830's an internal group had started to call for the total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors, they took the name Rechabites from a Biblical tribe. The movement seems to have been formally instigated in Salford in 1836. The Bolton I.O.R. Band was formed in the Autumn of 1920 by a small group of keen amateurs; they rehearsed in the back bedroom of their conductor's house, a Mr Higham in Gordon Avenue. For several months Mr Higham held rehearsals five nights a week until in October of 1921 the band decided to invest in a full set of new instruments, at a cost of over £1,000. They took their first public engagement in May of 1922 at Walkden. The band achieved their height on the contest scene in 1930 with a silver cup at the Yorkshire Brass Band Association Contest in Settle. It is not clear when the band disbanded, but it would most likely be the 1940's.

### **Bolton Shepherds Band**

See: *Bolton Borough Brass Band*

### **Bolton St Mary's Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s/1890s

### **Bolton Subscription Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1910s, conductor James Taylor

### **Bolton Temperance Band - Lancashire**

In 1902 the authorities at Queen Street Mission conceived the idea that their open air meetings on Sunday evenings in Idle Street (now Central Street) would be more effective with the aid of a band. A band was therefore formed, or rather a number of Mission Lads and men were assembled, taking the name Queen Street Mission Band. The hero, the late Mr Ashworth, surveyed them. Not one of the 24 could read a note of music, not one of them could play an instrument. His job was to make them into a brass band, and it is a tribute to his patience and ability that he was able to do it. He produced a band which ranks amongst the best in the town, and which has won many prizes. After six months tuition they had two hymns and two marches in their repertoire, one of the marches was aptly called 'Now or Never'. They won numerous local titles and were at their most successful during the early and mid 1920's. It was renamed Bolton Temperance Band around the mid 1920s. The band possibly disbanded sometime during the 1940's. According to Charlie Taylor of Tyldesley Band, who used to play sometimes with the Temperance Band, they used to rehearse on Sundays in a pub in Bolton Town Centre. They turned up to rehearsal one Sunday, to be told by the landlord that the pub was

shutting. They had a quick chat amongst themselves and turned round to Charlie and announced 'that if the pub was going then they'd go as well' and that was the rather abrupt end of the Bolton Temperance Band. This happened around 1952. This coincides nicely with the formation of the Bolton Public Band, which started up around this time [?].

**Bolton United Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1901

**Bolton Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1866

**Bolton Victoria Hall Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and had disbanded by 1935. Bandmaster in 1904 was Herbert Bennett

**Bolton-le-Sands Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the late 1840s to the 1870s

**Bon Accord Brass Band (1)** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

Active from the 1870s. Still active in the early 1930s.

**Bon Accord Silver Band (2)** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1962

**Bonchester Brass** - Bonchester Bridge,

In spring 2010 Christine Weigold from Bonchester Bridge in the Scottish Borders thought it would be a good idea to start a local brass band in a large rural area with no musical outlet for youth for miles in all directions. After forming a small committee Bonchester Brass was born. It was with great disappointment that Bonchester Brass discovered that the major Brass Band governing body in Scotland 'SBBA' were unable to offer any financial help whatsoever to newly formed Brass Bands. Musical Director John Kirk remembered that in his youth he visited the Sunderland Empire in the early 1980's to see James Shepherd 'Versatile Brass' and remembered a funnel routine. He had also taken his mouthpiece on holiday building his own plastic funnel instruments to keep his practice up without having to take his bulky Brass instrument on vacation. As Bonchester Brass had no funds to buy instruments it was decided that Funneloniums would have to do! A local plastics firm from kindly supplied colourful plastic tubing and a kind donation allowed the purchase of many plastic mouthpieces. The bands plan was to start a musical club for kids where they would build their own instruments learning the basics of note production in a fun way and eventually take up a Brass instrument (by which time the financial situation would have been resolved). Several instrument building workshops were held, in village halls, outdoor festivals and even in pubs to spot adult talent. Throughout 2010 Bonchester Brass continually made headlines in local press for its colourful and exciting appearances in the public eye. The efforts of Bonchester Brass was recognized by a lottery funded scheme 'people making waves' and by September 2010 funding was in place for a full set of brass instruments. Stand banners had been custom designed as a sponsorship from a local textile firm and a schools recruitment program about to initiate. It was still a steep hill however. The local Brass instrument tutor would not encourage any of his pupils to try out the new band, and other financial pressures meant that Bonchester Brass was losing momentum and it was with great regret that the band folded just prior to its first intake of young students. The thousands awarded to the band graciously and kindly were handed back. A sad day for the children of Rulewater. The most exciting thing to come from Bonchester Brass however was the 'Funnelonium Experience'. To see the excitement as people enthusiastically created their own

instrument, learned to play, then take part in a collective musical parade together, all within the space of an hour on average. The majority of which had no prior musical experience. that was and still is the true success of Bonchester Brass.

#### **Bond Street WMC Imperial Silver Band**

See: *City of Leicester Band*

#### **Bond Street Working Men's Club Band**

See: *City of Leicester Band*

#### **Bo'ness and Carriden Brass Band - West Lothian**

[current band] - Founded in 1858 - Former names: Grange Instrumental Band, Grange Brass Band, Carriden Band (to 1895)

#### **Bo'ness Catholic Brass Band - West Lothian**

Active in 1861

#### **Bo'ness Pottery Brass Band - West Lothian**

Founded in September 1862. Still active in 1867

#### **Boney Hay and Chase Terrace Brass Band**

See: *Boney Hay Mission Band*

#### **Boney Hay Brass Band**

See: *Boney Hay Mission Band*

#### **Boney Hay Mission Band - Lichfield, Staffordshire**

Active in the late 1890s to 1918. Conductor Joseph Hooper in 1913. Secretary George Hickman in 1918.

#### **Bonhill Brass Band**

See: *Bonhill Instrumental Band*

#### **Bonhill Instrumental Band - Dunbartonshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor in 1907, George Park.

#### **Bonnybridge and District Band**

See: *Bonnybridge Brass Band*

#### **Bonnybridge Brass Band - Stirlingshire**

Formed in 1871 as a reed band. A strike in the foundry put an end to the band as many members had to leave the village. Reformed in 1878 as a brass band. By 1888 had attended 10 contests, winning 6 prizes totalling £63 9s. Still active in 1910, presumed to have disbanded during or before WW1. A successor band was formed in 1922

#### **Bonnybridge Silver Band - Stirlingshire**

Formed in 1922 and said to be Falkirk district's top band from then until it disbanded due to a lack of support in 1970. The band's first success was in 1925 when taking third place in the 15-band Section Three. It won the section in 1927, then went on to win Section Two in 1929, after being third the previous year - all under conductor Gregor J. Grant. After a settling in period, Bonnybridge gained third spot in the Championship Section in 1933 then second place in 1936. After a couple of placings in the 1950s, the band became 7th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (T.A.) in the '60s and won the Championship Section in 1963. Before the band's demise, it took three 4th placings in '65, '66 and '69. The remaining players merged with those of the Parkhead Forge Band to form Cumbernauld Silver Band in 1970.

#### **Bonnyrigg and District Band**

See: *Bonnyrigg Burgh Band*

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**Bonnyrigg Brass Band**

See: *Bonnyrigg Burgh Band*

**Bonnyrigg Burgh Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Bonnyrigg Volunteer Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1880

**Bonsall Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1840s to the 1880s

**Bonsall Institute Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1880

**Bonsall Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor C.A. Gregory in 1884.

**Booker's Works Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Bookham and District Silver Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Mole Valley Silver Band*

**Bookham Brass Band**

See: *Great Bookham Brass Band*

**Bookham United Silver Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1911 by the merger of Great Bookham Brass Band with Leatherhead Town Brass Band in 1911. Folded in 1916

**Boosbeck Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active around 1907

**Booth Fold Band**

See: *Boothfold Brass Band*

**Boothfold Brass Band** - Newchurch, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s through to c. 1910. Also known as Boothfold Public Band

**Boothfold Public Band**

See: *Boothfold Brass Band*

**Boothfold Temperance Band** - Newchurch, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s, conductor Tom German.

**Boothstown Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1862

**Bootle Alexandra Band** - Lancashire

See: *Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway Band*

**Bootle Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1888. Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor E. Pryce in 1902

**Bootle Brass Band** - Cumberland

Founded in 1851

**Bootle Excelsior Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Bootle Mission Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the late 1890s through to WW1. Conductor A.S. Davidson in 1897-1908, J.F. Sutherland in 1914

**Bootle Municipal Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed around 1916. Its instruments previously belonged to the Neston Silver Band, which had folded prior to WW1. The original donor, W. Mather, retrieved the

instruments and presented them to Bootle Corporation for the new band, which was to be conducted by Mr. Workman.

**Bootle Police Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, bandmaster Mr Hall

**Bootle Wesley Hall Misson Band**

See: *Bootle Mission Brass Band*

**Boots Plaisaunce Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Established 1906. Jesse Boot was keen to promote music making and musical appreciation amongst company employees, and within Nottingham generally. In 1906, when a campaign was launched to restore the Albert Hall, Jesse Boot offered to spend £5,000 on a new organ, on condition that the organist provided popular recitals every Saturday afternoon with a fair number of seats not exceeding 3d each. Jesse Boot funded the organist's salary for three years. At Plaisaunce, the Boot family's summer house, employees were invited to afternoon entertainments, with music, dancing, athletics, swimming, and in the evenings sometimes fireworks. Jesse Boot provided a set of instruments for the use of an employees' band, and the Plaisaunce Band was formed. The band's first conductor and founder was William Hames. Florence Boot chose the uniforms - Lincoln Green, light green collar and cuffs, and silver braid. Jesse Boot arranged for the band to be coached by a professional conductor, Mr Alex Owen, and in June 1908 the band made its first venture into competitions at Lincoln. In 1909 the band won first prize in the Junior Cup section in the National Brass Band contest at Crystal Palace. Reformed after the First World War and affiliated to the Scout Movement, known as Boots Silver Band, or 42nd (Boots) Silver Band, the band had the honour of being the first civilian band to play on Wellington Barracks Square. Conductor R.B. Mills in 1935. The band later re-formed as the Beacon Silver Band, but its playing days came to an untimely end when the instruments were destroyed in the bombing of the Printing Department building on Station Street in 1941.

**Boots Silver Band**

See: *Boots Plaisaunce Band*

**Border Regiment Association Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active in the 1970s to 1990s

**Bordesley Green Early Morning School Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in 1907, conductor Frank Starbuck.

**Bordesley Working Men's Institute Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in November 1862. Conductor J. Ward in 1865. Still active in 1867

**Boreham Brass Band** - Boreham Street, Sussex

Active in 1857 to 1866

**Borough Brass Band (Worksop)**

See: *Worksop Borough Band*

**Borough of Barnes Brass Band**

See: *West London Silver Band*

**Borough of Brackley Brass Band**

See: *Brackley Borough Silver Band*

**Borough of Greenwich Brass Band**

See: *Greenwich Town Brass Band*

**Borough of Leicester Club and Institute Silver Band**

See: *Leicester Excelsior Brass Band*

**Borough of Leicester Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band**

See: *Leicester Excelsior Brass Band*

**Borough of Marylebone Municipal Band**

See: *Marylebone Municipal Employees Brass Band*

**Borough of Reigate Band - Surrey**

Active in the 1950s

**Borough of Shoreditch Band**

See: *Shoreditch Borough Silver Band*

**Borough of West Ham Imperial Band**

See: *West Ham Imperial Brass Band*

**Borough of Woolwich Silver Band**

See: *Woolwich Borough Silver Band*

**Boroughbridge Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1857

**Boroughbridge British Legion Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1930s through 1950s.

**Borrowstounness Brass Band - West Lothian**

See: *Bo'ness and Carriden Brass Band*

**Boscastle Brass Band - Cornwall**

They were formed about 1899 as Boscastle Brass and Reed Band and changed the title in 1919 to Boscastle Brass Band (though it was referred to as such from the start). Their conductor in 1905 was Leslie Prout, who went on to conduct the Delabole Band. He was succeeded in 1912 by William Hochin who carried on until WW2 when band duties were suspended. Reformed in 1945 under Mr Grigg, who came from a whole family of Griggs that played with the St Dennis Band, they began contesting. Mr Grigg handed over to Charles Berryman in 1953 who, sadly, was drowned in the Boscastle floods of 1958. Arthur Biddick held things together until another Leslie Prout came along. For many reasons the band had to disband in 1973.

**Boscawen Training Ship Brass Band - Portland, Dorset**

See: *Training Ship Boscawen Brass Band*

**Boscombe Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in 1880s.

**Boscombe Silver Band - Hampshire**

Formed in 1910 as Boscombe Temperance Band by a father and son duo with the surname Bareham. Charlie Tiller was the first conductor of the band who also played in the then Boscombe Hippodrome Orchestra. Charlie Tiller also was renowned as a fine maker of violins. in the 1920s changed name to Boscombe Silver Band. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. It went into decline in the 1950s and eventually amalgamated with the Bournemouth Silver Band in 1956.

**Boscombe Temperance Band**

See: *Boscombe Silver Band*

**Bostock and Wombwell's Menagerie Band**

See: *Wombwell's Brass Band*

**Bostock Band - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 2003 - Note: Northwich

**Boston Amateur Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1840s through 1860s



**Boston Borough Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

c. 1860s - William Underwood, a working tailor of Boston, played the cornet in the band. He was a brother of John Underwood of Surfleet - famous local preacher. Still active in 1894 and the 1930s.

**Boston Excelsior Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s to WW1

**Boston Harmonic Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1850s, leader B. Rippin in 1856

**Boston Imperial Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1910s

**Boston Juvenile Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in late 1859 with 20 players, conductor B. Rippin

**Boston P.S.A. Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1892, active in the 1890s. The Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Societies (or Brotherhoods) were a national effort by non-conformist churches to involve young men in social and religious activity on Sunday afternoons.

**Boston Railwaymen's Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

**Boston Road Mission Church Army Band** - Croydon, Surrey

Active in 1922

**Boston Royal Harmonic Band**

See: *Boston Harmonic Brass Band*

**Boston Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1888

**Bothwell Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Built a new bandoom in 1901

**Bothwell Old Band**

See: *Bothwell Brass Band*

**Bothwell Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Botley Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1865

**Botolph Claydon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1902, conductor James Warner

**Bottesford and Bingham Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Formed around 1950 by the merger of Bottesford Brass Band and Bingham Brass Band

**Bottesford Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active in the early 1850s, folded shortly prior to 1855, when a successor band was formed - conductor was F. Orton

**Bottesford Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Formed around 1855, with William Sutton as bandmaster. Conductor F. Orton in 1861. Still active in 1886. In 1911 it led the coronation celebrations in Normanton. The Band rehearsed in the village school and before the Great War was led by Mr William Sutton (1835 - 1924). During the Great War the band was lead by Mr. Pacey and provided dance music for fund raising events for the Red Cross. Merged with the Bingham Band to form Bottesford and Bingham Band by the 1950s

**Bottomgate Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1852

**Botwell Brotherhood Band**

See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

**Boughton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1892

**Boughton Leadworks Brass Band** - Cheshire

Formed in the late 1860s. A band of 24 players in 1870, their uniform was similar to the Cheshire Rifle Volunteers, though a shade darker.

**Boundary Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in January 1892 with members from the villages of Watton and Beswick, named the Boundary Brass Band as the two villages were astride the Parliamentary boundary between Holderness and Buckrose. The band possibly rehearsed in Kilnwick at one time. The first president of the band was Rev. F.N. Clayton, and bandmaster Tom Storr. Still active in 1895.

**Bourn Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Founded in 1885. Folded prior to 1904 when an attempt was made to revive it.

**Bourne Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1857 to the 1900s

**Bourne Juvenile Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1860, conductor Joseph Frost

**Bourne Street Primitive Methodist Sunday School Brass Band** - Hollinwood, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Bourne Street Scouts Band**

See: *Bourne Street Primitive Methodist Sunday School Brass Band*

**Bourne Valley Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1908

**Bournemouth Adult School Brass Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1907

**Bournemouth Concert Brass** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1920s - Former names: Bournemouth Silver Band (to 1975), Bournemouth Concert Brass (Royal Artillery Band) (1988-1990) - Note: Amalgamated with Boscombe Silver Band in 1956 and Winton British Legion Band in 1959.

**Bournemouth Concert Brass (Royal Artillery Band)** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bournemouth Concert Brass*

**Bournemouth Gasworks Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1924

**Bournemouth Postmen's Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster in 1906 was E. L. Green

**Bournemouth Royal Artillery Association Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1960s to the 1980s

**Bournemouth Silver Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bournemouth Concert Brass*

**Bournemouth St John's Ambulance Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1940s

**Bournemouth Temperance Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1885, conductor Mr Sim

**Bournemouth Town Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1891

**Bournemouth YMCA Silver Band**

See: *Winton British Legion Silver Band*

**Bournville Silver Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Formed in 1890 as the Bournville Works Silver Band. Still active in 1938, also in October 1956 when it was conducted by George Allen.

**Bournville Works Silver Band**

See: *Bournville Silver Band*

**Bourton and Zeals Temperance Band**

See: *Bourton Brass Band (Dorset)*

**Bourton Brass Band** - Dorset

Formed around 1895 as a "nigger troupe band". Became a brass band shortly afterwards. Conductor from the mid-1900s to 1924 was A.H. Suter. Still active in the mid 1930s.

**Bourton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Bourton-in-the-Water Band*

**Bourton-in-the-Water Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1875. At this time the players included: W Troughton (carpenter), George Lawrence (mason), C. Betteridge, George Clifford (mason), Jim Wright (trombone) (slater and plasterer), Fred Clifford (mason), W. Butler (hay trusser), S. Hall and R. Hall (timber fellers and sawyers). Frank Palmer (drummer). Still active in 1890. There is a reference to a Bourton Bugle Band in 1938, Bandmaster G.H. Palmer, and a note that the band instruments were sold in 1941 (raising £60) which was invested by the Band Trustees in Defence Bonds.

**Bovey Tracey Amateur Band** - Devon

See: *Bovey Tracey Brass Band*

**Bovey Tracey Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1860. In August 1870 it played at Moretonhampstead, and 1879 playing at Dunsford Oddfellows Fete in August. Still active in 1949

**Bovey Tracey Potteries Band** - Devon

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Bovey Tracey Pottery Band** - Devon

See: *Bovey Tracey Potteries Band*

**Bovey Tracey Temperance Band** - Devon

Active in 1872 and 1904

**Bovey Tracey Town Band** - Devon

See: *Bovey Tracey Brass Band*

**Bow Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1850s and 1860s through to the 1940s. Conductor John Lee in 1869. Bow, near Coplestone.

**Bow Bridge Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1863. Based in Leicester, named after the famous bridge over the River Soar.

**Bow Common Brass Band** - London (East)

Active in 1926

**Bow Division Police Brass Band** - West Ham, Essex

See: *K Division Police Brass Band*

**Bow Police Brass Band** - West Ham, Essex

See: *K Division Police Brass Band*

**Bowater Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Bowater Lloyd Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Bowaters Lloyd Silver Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

Active in the 1940s through 1970s.

**Bowaters Sittingbourne Band**

See: *Bowaters Lloyd Silver Band*

**Bowerchalke Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1880s to 1910s. In 1910 it won the South Wilts Brass Band Association Shield at a contest.

**Bowes Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867, conductor William Hutton. Active through to 1931

**Bowhill and District Band** - Fife

Founded in 1903. Active through to the 1960s. Also known as Bowhill Colliery Band

**Bowhill Brass Band**

See: *Bowhill and District Band*

**Bowhill Colliery Band**

See: *Bowhill and District Band*

**Bowland Street Mission Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Bowling Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856. Still performing in 1902

**Bowling Greenhouse Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Bowling Ironworks Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s through 1870s. Conductor in 1860 was Joseph Allen.

**Bowness Brass Band** - Bowness-on-Windermere, Westmorland

Active in 1857, 1860

**Bowness Foresters' Brass Band** - Bowness-on-Windermere, Westmorland

Active in 1846

**Boxmoor Boys Brigade Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in 1929, renamed Boxmoor Silver Band in 1932

**Boxmoor Oxford Club Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1897

**Boxmoor Silver Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in 1929 from members of the Boxmoor Boys Brigade, renamed Boxmoor Silver Band in 1932. Amalgamated with Berkhamsted St Peters Band in 1960 to form Berkhamstead and Boxmoor Band

**Boxted Brass Band** - Essex

A wind band was formed c.1860 by members of Boxted Methodist Church. By 1898 this had become a brass band, whose membership card stated that the band played to "The

Honour and Glory of God". It folded some time before 1930. Around 1933 the Trustees of the old band revived it, forming the current Boxted Methodist Silver Band.

**Boxted Methodist Silver Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1898 - Former names: Wesley Guild Brass Band (to 1938) -

Note: A precursor was a methodist wind band formed about 1860, which converted to brass in 1898

**Boys' and Girls' Refuges and Homes Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in 1910 and 1911 when it played in various parks in Salford. The Manchester and Salford Boys and Girls Refuges and Homes were founded in 1870 by Leonard Shaw and Richard Taylor, who were Sunday school teachers at St Ann's Church Manchester. They were determined to take some action to help the many children and young people whom they observed living rough on the city's streets.

**Boys Home Industrial School Band** - Regents Park Road, Middlesex

See: *Camden Boys Band*

**Boys Industrial School Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

See: *York Industrial School Brass Band*

**Boys of Kent Brass Band**

See: *Lads of Kent Brass Band*

**Bozeat Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1880s through to the early 1900s

**Bozeat Victoria Brass Band**

See: *Bozeat Brass Band*

**Brace Meole Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Meole Brace Brass Band*

**Bracebridge Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1895

**Brackley and District Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: Brackley Youth Band

**Brackley Borough Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1920s through to the 1950s, presumed to have folded in the early 1960s.

**Brackley Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1890s and early 1900s, conductor Mr Knibbs in 1905

**Brackley Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1897.

**Brackley Town Band**

See: *Brackley Borough Silver Band*

**Brackley Youth Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Brackley & District Band*

**Bracknell and Easthampstead Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Bracknell Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Bracknell Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire

Active in the 1970s

**Bradbury Boys School Brass Band** - Hale, Cheshire

Active in 1976

**Bradeley and Smallthorne Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1877, 1878

**Brades Village Saxhorn Band** - Oldbury, Worcestershire

Active in 1872

**Bradford (Manchester) Band**

See: *Bradford Free Church Band*

**Bradford Alpaca Temperance Band**

See: *Alpaca Brass Band*

**Bradford Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Bradford-on-Avon Brass Band*

**Bradford and Beswick Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Founded around 1885. Active into the 1890s

**Bradford and Hillfarrance Brass Band**

See: *Hillfarrance Brass Band*

**Bradford and Melksham Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1901

**Bradford Borough Band**

See: *Bradford City Brass Band*

**Bradford Borough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Bradford Boys Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s through to the 1960s

**Bradford Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Bradford Free Church Band*

**Bradford Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Bradford-on-Avon Brass Band*

**Bradford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Accounts of the band, from 1854-1859 are held by the West Yorkshire Archive Service, Bradford. Conductor J.W. Dodsworth in 1860. Active through to the 1880s. Known as Dodsworth's Brass Band until the band sacked him in 1864, replacing him with Frank Galloway from the Black Dyke Band, the band then became known as the Bradford Brass Band (or Bradford Model Band). Secretary in 1864 was Timothy Bentley, the band rehearsing at the Fleece Inn, Manchester Road, on Tuesday and Friday evenings. The band in 1864 consisted of J. Bentley, A. Horner, F. Oddy, W. Burnley, W. Burley, T. Bastow, W. Smith, J. Firth, J. Scholes, S. Robinson, S. Pickard, T. Holdsworth, T. Bently, J. Balme, D. Bailey, and J. Bennett. Gained 3rd prize and £5 in the contest at the Keighley Agricultural Show in September 1866.

**Bradford Christ Church Juvenile Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1878

**Bradford City Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s through to the 1950s. Bandmaster Mr Roberts in 1916. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. The band's Club Room was at 45 Heap Lane, Bradford, in 1912. Also known as Bradford Borough Band. See "Bradford City Brass Band and Harry Grace" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for more information

**Bradford City Mission Band**

See: *Bradford Victoria Silver Band*

**Bradford City Temperance Band**

See: *Bradford Victoria Silver Band*

**Bradford Clarion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Bradford Dodsworth's Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Bradford Brass Band*

**Bradford Free Church Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1880s through to early 1900s. Conductor James Frost in 1883

**Bradford Gospel Mission Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Bradford Juvenile Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Bradford Low Moor Band**

See: *Low Moor Brass Band*

**Bradford Midland Railway Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863

**Bradford Mission Band**

See: *Bradford Gospel Mission Band*

**Bradford Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Bradford Brass Band*

**Bradford Moor Park Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1887, still active in 1903

**Bradford Moor Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1937

**Bradford Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1840

**Bradford Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Conductor Alfred Scott in 1860.

**Bradford Postmen's Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1886. Still active in the early 1900s. There may be a link with the Bradford City Temperance Band.

**Bradford Prize Band**

See: *Bradford Public Brass Band*

**Bradford Public Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s (1906)

**Bradford Railway Foundry Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Bradford Roman Catholic Young Men's Improvement Society Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1862

**Bradford St Mary's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and the 1900s and 1910s. Obtained new uniforms in 1905. Conductor B. Gilroy in 1908

**Bradford Teetotal Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1842

**Bradford Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1844 through the 1870s, still active in the 1900s. Mr Severs conductor in 1908

**Bradford Temperance Model Band**

See: *Bradford Temperance Band*

**Bradford Tramways Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Conductor Vincent Calverley around 1930. Still active in 1934

**Bradford Victoria Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed as Bradford City Temperance Band after WW1, became Bradford Victoria Silver Band in 1936. Still active in 1950

**Bradford West End Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Bradford, Beswick and Ardwick Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1885

**Bradford-on-Avon Amateur Band**

See: *Bradford-on-Avon Brass Band*

**Bradford-on-Avon Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from 1862 through to the 1900s. Conductor J. Tiley in 1868

**Bradgate Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1860s

**Brading Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active from 1864 to the 1900s. Known as Brading Temperance Band in its early years.

**Brading Temperance Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

See: *Brading Brass Band*

**Bradley and Deighton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950s

**Bradley Brass Band** - Bradley Green, Worcestershire

Active in 1869

**Bradley Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the late 1880s

**Bradley Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *North Bradley Brass Band*

**Bradley Shops Mechanics Brass Band** - Leadgate, Durham

Active in 1905. Attached to Bradley Colliery.

**Bradninch Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Bradninch Temperance Band*

**Bradninch Temperance Band** - Devon

Formed in 1895 by Mr R. James. Still active in 1909, when the bandmaster was Frank Perryman, and secretary J. Griffen. Another report shows this band active in 1892.

**Bradshaw Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Originally started as a drum and fife band in 1856 by the Church Lad's Brigade, some of these lads who had fostered a true love of music broke away in 1862 and formed a brass band. Leader Robert Unsworth, conductor Mr Nuttall, in 1862. They were renowned for their colourful uniforms throughout the life of the band. Initially they wanted a uniform to make themselves stand out from the other local bands and help them gain engagements, but due to a lack of funds they used their resourcefulness and clothed themselves in flannel trousers and straw hats. In 1906 they decided to change their uniforms and after great deliberation they decided on the uniform of the Mercantile Marine, they clung on to this until 1930. The band then chose a Scarlet and Blue uniform



which they kept until they disbanded in 1954. Although they never won any major trophies, they seem to have had a very good and friendly atmosphere in the band.

**Bradshaw Old Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

See: *Bradshaw Brass Band*

**Bradwell Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1866 through to the early 1900s

**Bradwell Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1860s at Bradwell-on-Sea

**Bradwell Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1901 - Former names: Bradwell United Silver Prize Band

**Bradwell Town Band** - Derbyshire

Active before 1914, when it was conducted by William Evans - other band members at the time were Johnson Evans and Albert Elliott.

**Bradwell United Silver Prize Band** - Buckinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bradwell Silver Band*

**Bradworthy Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active from 1922, conductor J. Cholwill (the "veteran bandmaster"). Disbanded on his death around 1928

**Bradworthy Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Founded in 1935, active through to 1942, conductor F.W. Slee

**Braes of Allen Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the early 1900s, active through to the 1950s

**Braes of Allendale Band**

See: *Braes of Allen Band*

**Brailes and Banbury United Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1861

**Brailes Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the 1860s to the 1900s. Mention is also made of Brailes Brass Band at Brailes Flower Show in August 1952.

**Brailes Victoria Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1858

**Brailsford Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Active in the late 1830s

**Brailsford Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1890s. New uniforms in 1905, conductor J.T. Parker in 1907. Still active in 1927

**Brain's City of Bristol Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *City of Bristol Brass Band*

**Braintree and Bocking Amateur Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1870s

**Braintree and Bocking Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s through to WW1. Contemporary with Braintree Town (Brass) Band.

**Braintree Brass Band** - Essex

Active in from the 1850s through to the 1950s. It took part in Great Bentley Brass Band Contest on 18 April 1938.

**Braintree Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Braintree and Bocking Excelsior Brass Band*

**Braintree Foresters' Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1864

**Braintree Town Band**

See: *Braintree Brass Band*

**Braishfield Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Braishfield Temperance Band**

See: *Braishfield Brass Band*

**Bramcote Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Stapleford and Sandiacre Brass Band*

**Bramford Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1861

**Bramley and District Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1950s. Merged with Stanningley and District Subscription Band to form Bramley and Stanningley Band

**Bramley and Farnley Ironworks Band**

See: *Farnley Ironworks Band*

**Bramley and Stanningley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Result of the merger of the Bramley and District Subscription Band and the Stanningley and District Subscription Band in the early 1950s

**Bramley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1828 as a reed band by Edward Hesling, a farm-man, consisting of 14 players. It reorganised in 1836 as a full brass band, with John Whitley as bandmaster. Known as Bramley Temperance Brass Band in 1847. Was reputedly the first temperance brass band to be established in England. Competed in the British Open in 1853. By 1859 the temperance element of the band had presumably lapsed as they had earned the nickname of "Bramley Beer and Bacca Band". Conductor J. Jackson in 1860. Entry in 1866 directory: "Widely celebrated for its musical skill although composed mainly of working men". It amalgamated with Bramley Model Band, under the conductor Samuel Hesling White, in 1898. The band thrived through the early part of the 20th century, but folded around 1936. The uniforms and instruments were sold, but the Band Club (or Band 'Ole) continues today although, sadly, the medals and trophies which were on display there were later stolen and never traced. A successor band, Bramley and District Subscription Band, was formed after WW2.

**Bramley Christian Mission Band**

See: *Bramley Model Band*

**Bramley Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Originally formed as the Christian Mission Band around 1890, it later was renamed Bramley Model Band, ultimately amalgamating with Bramley Band under the conductor Samuel Hesling White in 1898.

**Bramley Old Band**

See: *Bramley Brass Band*

**Bramley Temperance Band**

See: *Bramley Brass Band*

**Brampton and District Silver Band**

See: *Brampton Town Band*

**Brampton and Holymoorside Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Holymoorside Band*

**Brampton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Chesterfield and Brampton Brass Band*

**Brampton Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1850s

**Brampton Brass Band (1)** - Cumberland

Active in the 1850s/1860s

**Brampton Brass Band (2)** - Cumberland

See: *Brampton Town Band*

**Brampton Rifle Volunteers Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s

**Brampton Temperance Band**

See: *Brampton Total Abstinence Brass Band*

**Brampton Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Cumberland

Records of the band, from 1892 to 1899, are held by Cumbria Record Office, Carlisle Headquarters. Supported by the lord of the manor, their temperance habit was spectacularly broken following a win at a local contest where they beat their rivals the Carlisle St Stephens Band. Subsequently they were disbanded.

**Brampton Town Band** - Cumberland

Founded in 1906. Conductor James Steel in 1919. Active through to 1998

**Brampton United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1928

**Bramshaw Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1856

**Bramusa Family Band**

Active from 1904 to 1921, performing at various venues around the country. An "all-British family of juvenile musicians". The original Bramusa Family Band consisted of the father, mother, four eldest daughters and two sons - four cornets, horn, euphonium, tuba and percussion. They were billed as the "Seven Bramusas" from 1906 with the children (including the youngest, fifth, daughter) as performers. Performed their extravaganza "Music Afloat" in Sheffield in 1908. The youngest daughter, the drummer, was ten years old in 1909. In the 1911 census the family were lodging at 23 and 25 Duncan Road, Southsea. The family consisted of Samuel Frank Johnson (1860-), his wife Agnes A Johnson (1863-), and children Gertrude E. (1888-), Theodore Y. (1889-), Cariad (1891-), Elsie D. (1893-), Marnesuel (1894-), Thomas C. (1897-), Clara A. (1899-), and Douglas B. (1900-). Samuel was born in Bucklebury, Berkshire and Agnes in Milford Haven. The children were born in various places in the UK (Blaina, Aberystwyth, Wimborne, Kidderminster, Maindee, Abertillery, and Beenham)

**Brancepeth Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Willington Temperance Band*

**Brancepeth Institute Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s, disbanded in 1902

**Brancepeth Welfare Band** - Durham

See: *Willington Temperance Band*

**Brandesburton and Leven Brass Band**

See: *Brandesburton Saxhorn Band*

**Brandesburton Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1857/1859

**Brandon Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in the mid-1840s, still active in the late 1920s.

**Brandon Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Durham

Founded in 1890. Winners of the D and N Association Challenge Cup 1907, the Hunwick Cup 1909, and The Newburn Cup 1909. The band folded in September 1968 shortly after the colliery closed.

**Brandon Volunteers Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1900s, disbanded around 1909

**Branksome and Parkstone Band** - Dorset

Formed around 1908 by the merger of Branksome Brass Band and Parkstone Town Band.

Active through to the 1950s. May have folded in WW1 and reformed in the 1930s.

**Branksome and Parkstone United Band**

See: *Branksome and Parkstone Band*

**Branksome Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the early 1900s. Merged with Parkstone Town Band c.1908 to form Branksome and Parkstone Band

**Branksome Gasworks Band** - Dorset

See: *Bournemouth Gasworks Band*

**Branksome Town Band (1)**

See: *Branksome Brass Band*

**Branksome Town Band (2)** - Dorset

Formed from several disbanded or abandoned bands in the Poole area. c 1934

**Branscombe Baptist Chapel Band** - Devon

[no information]

**Branscombe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1913 through to 1922

**Branston Street Mission Band** - Hockley, Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s

**Brantham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1924

**Brantham Xylonite Works Band** - Suffolk

See: *Xylonite Works Band*

**Brass Band of the 1st Devon Artillery Volunteers - Lymptone Company** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Comms Band*

**Brass Central** - Perthshire

[current band] - Founded in 2012 - Note: Based in Crieff

**Brass Sounds Inverclyde Band** - Greenock, Renfrewshire

[current band] - Founded in 2004

**Brassington Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1865, 1870. The village had had a band at least since the celebrations for George III's coronation in 1761, and probably for very much longer. Inter-war photographs show the bandsmen, sometimes in uniform, with peaked caps, sometimes not, leading parades through the village. They played at all the outdoor events. The Village Hall committee's accounts, for instance, show a payment to "Brassington Silver Band" of £3-10-0d for playing at the Wakes in August 1946. They appear regularly thereafter for similar fees -

by 1950 it had risen to £5 for the Wakes parade. The band, however, was short of bodies. It found it hard to find enough players to lead a parade or take on a concert and in 1964 amalgamated with the Wirksworth and Middleton bands to form the BMW band, practising at Wirksworth.

**Brassington Silver Prize Band**

See: *Brassington Band*

**Bratton Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1859

**Braughing Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Braunston Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1867

**Braunton Artillery Volunteers Band** - Devon

Active in the 1890s

**Braunton Brass Band** - Devon

Active from 1860 through to WW1, A successor band was formed in 1928.

**Braunton Silver Band** - Devon

Held its first public performance in May 1928, conductor W.H. Chapple, and immediately following that, the same day, the band was involved in a motor accident which caused the death of bandsman W.J. Cocking, and serious injuries to most of the other members of the band.

**Bray Construction Band**

See: *Bell Inn Brass Band*

**Brayesworth Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1888 when it joined with other local bands from Hoxne, Eye, Scale and Gislingham to march the Oddfellows from the Hoxne Swan inn to the church for their annual parade and service.

**Brea Brass Band** - Cornwall

Brea can be found a few miles south-east of Camborne and were formed c1883. Of the list of engagements that have been discovered, it seems odd (but not impossible) that their only appearances were at Sunday school tea treats. Still active in 1895. This band disappeared at about the same time that Camborne Town Band was formed (1896). Probably a coincidence.

**Bread Street Mission Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Foresters Brass 2000*

**Bread Street Wesleyan Band** - Wigston Magna, Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s, based at the Bread Street Chapel.

**Breadmore House School Brass Band** - Chiswick, Middlesex

Active in 1867

**Breadsall Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1840

**Breage and District Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1904

**Breage Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from 1862 through to c.1901. A successor band (the current Breage Silver Band) was formed in 1904.

**Bream Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1870s, conductor Collie Edwards in 1876, J. Bevan in 1897. Active through to 1903. Folded prior to c.1912 when the Princess Royal Colliery Band was renamed Bream Silver Band

**Bream Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1905 - Former names: Princess Royal Colliery Band, Bream Silver Band (1912?) - Note: The first conductor was Mr Henry Morgan, who used to walk from Yorkley Wood to conduct and it is said always whistled a march tune when climbing the Whitecroft Road. Other early conductors included Messrs Amos Phillips, William Sterry, A Ambury and of course Evan A Jones who followed Mr W Robbins and steered the band through its most successful period in contests in the 1920s and continued to do so for almost 40 years. A founding member of the band, Horace Lucas, was eight years old in 1905 and still playing in 1970.

**Breamore Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1865 to 1868

**Breaston Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1860s through to the 1930s. Conductor S. Grundy in 1909 and 1912

**Brechin Brass Band** - Angus

Active from the early 1860s through to around 1907, when it folded. It was revived in 1909 (this may be the forerunner of the current Brechin City Band)

**Brechin City Band** - Angus

[current band] - Founded in 1909

**Breckland Brass Band** - Brandon, Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1951 - Former names: Green's Brothers Band (to 1971)

**Brecknock Estate Band** - Camden, Middlesex

See: *Brecknock Silver Band*

**Brecknock Silver Band** - Camden, Middlesex

Active post WW2 into the early 1950s

**Brecon Brass Band** - Brecknockshire

Active in 1863. Conductor Mr Bell in 1864. Still active in 1866

**Bredbury and Romiley Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1870s through to WW2. Robert Poole conductor in 1901

**Brede Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1911. Conductor Walter Pelling in the early 1900s

**Brediland Concert Brass** - Paisley, Renfrewshire

Active in the 1980s

**Brightmet School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1869, associated with St James Church

**Brightmet School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1869, associated with St James Church

**Bremhill Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1926

**Brenchley Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1861

**Brenchley Town Band** - Kent

Active in 1914 with C.W. Noakes as bandmaster

**Brent Brass** - Middlesex

Founded in 1979. Disbanded some time after 2003. Conductor Paul Fensom.

**Brentford Gas Company Band**

See: *Southall Gasworks Brass Band*

**Brentford Gas Works Band**

See: *Southall Gasworks Brass Band*

**Brentford Industrial School Band** - London

Bandmaster in 1887 was James Wellard

**Brentford Nylons Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1970s. Based at the Brentford Nylons factory at Cramlington.

**Brentor Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1890s into the 1920s. Conductor Dan Cooke in the 1900s and 1910s.

**Brentwood British Legion Band**

See: *Brentwood Old Comrades Band*

**Brentwood Brotherhood Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1934

**Brentwood Industrial School Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Shoreditch Industrial School Brass Band*

**Brentwood Old Comrades Band** - Essex

Active in the 1920s/30s

**Brentwood Poor Law School Band**

See: *Brentwood Industrial School Brass Band*

**Bretby Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1895

**Bretforton Silver Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Bretforton Temperance Band

**Bretforton Temperance Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bretforton Silver Band*

**Brewin and Whetstone Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Founded in autumn 1859, conductor J. Gamble, from workers at Brewin & Whetstone's worsted spinners factory on Frog Island

**Bridestowe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1850

**Bridge Croft Brass Band** - Hindley, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Bridge Industrial School Band** - Wandsworth, Surrey

Active in 1912

**Bridge Mill Brass Band** - Whitworth, Lancashire

Active in 1855

**Bridge Street Mill Band** - Witney, Oxfordshire

Formed in 1880.

**Bridgefoot Rechabites Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1895

**Bridgend and District Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1940s to 1960s

**Bridgend Town Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Bowser

- Bridgerule Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1867
- Bridge's Brass Band** - Haslemere, Surrey  
Active in 1900
- Bridgeton Thistle Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1914
- Bridgewater House Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1891
- Bridgewater Street Mission Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s, bandmaster William Race
- Bridgnorth and District Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1970s. Also ran a junior band, active in 1975
- Bridgnorth Blue Coat School Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1857, 1859
- Bridgnorth Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1840s through to WW1. Conductor J. Sewell in 1866
- Bridgnorth Juvenile Brass Band** - Shropshire  
See: *Bridgnorth Blue Coat School Brass Band*
- Bridgnorth Rifles Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the early 1900s
- Bridgnorth Volunteers Band** - Shropshire  
See: *Bridgnorth Rifles Band*
- Bridgwater Amateur Christy's Brass Band** - Somerset  
See: *Bridgwater Christy's Brass Band*
- Bridgwater Christy's Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active from the 1880s to the 1950s. Conductor E.G. Tout in 1901. It raised money for the new town bridge in 1883 by providing a concert for the annual carnival.
- Bridgwater Imperial Band** - Somerset  
Formed in the 1920's but sadly demised 2004. Members of the S.W.B.B.A. they competed in the third section as late as about 1977. It was originally a works band, possibly May and Hassell Ltd, timber importers.
- Bridgwater King Street Chapel Wesleyan Mission Band** - Somerset  
Active between 1890 and 1913
- Bridgwater Men's Own Band** - Somerset  
Active around 1905
- Bridgwater Star of Temperance Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1887
- Bridlington Alexandra Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the early 1860s, conductor T. Macken. Still active in 1869
- Bridlington Borough Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Bridlington Brass Band*
- Bridlington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active from the 1840s through to the early 1900s. The current Bridlington Excelsior Band was formed in 1906.
- Bridlington Excelsior Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1910, conductor H. Harper



- Bridlington Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1893 - Former names: Bridlington Excelsior Silver Prize Band (c.1910) - Note: The band had its centenary in 2006 according to a local newspaper report
- Bridlington North Eastern Railway Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in 1901
- Bridlington Quay Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in the 1850s
- Bridlington Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in the 1890s
- Bridport Artillery Volunteers Band** - Dorset  
 Active in the 1900s
- Bridport Brass Band** - Dorset  
 Active in 1853
- Brieley Hill Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in 1905
- Briercliffe Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Formed in 1854, playing "selections from the most popular composers of the day," at Wild's Colossal Pavilion, Burnley, during a "Fashionable night" in January 1859. It was reorganised in 1866, with twenty members, and a new set of instruments was obtained. In 1867 the secretary was J. Atkinson, and the leader Mr Bannister. For some years the band was known as the Haggate Band and its members included Mr. John Foster, a noted solo euphonium player. Rehearsals began in a room at Finnymoore Foot, near Walverden, and the members were self-taught. All of them were singers, some being members of the Haggate Baptist choir. The first bandmaster on record was Robert Bannister, and after three or four years existence the band entered its first contest at Hollingworth, with the test pieces of the "Hallelujah Chorus" and "Kyrie" and "Gloria." Their performance was so creditable that they won the fourth prize of £5 and a soprano cornet. Robert Halstead secretary in 1894. From 1902 the membership dwindled, and the band became practically extinct, but about 1906 it was revived. It folded in 1936.
- Brierfield Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1888, secretary John T. Stuttard
- Brierfield Public Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the early 1900s, and to at least 1938. Conductors Mr Wilcox in 1906, James Whittaker in 1909)
- Brierley Hill Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in 1857 and 1869. Conductor T. Thompson in 1860.
- Brierley Hill Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Brierley Hill Brass Band*
- Brierley Hill Town Prize Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in 1904, conductor T. Price
- Brigg and District Band**  
 See: *Brigg Town Brass Band*
- Brigg Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in 1853. Entry in 1856 directory: "...celebrated for musical talent, being established many years ago, under the patronage of the late Earl of Yarborough"
- Brigg Oddfellows and Foresters Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Formed in late 1861, conductor Charles Leigh

### **Brigg Subscription Silver Band**

See: *Wrawby Brass Band*

### **Brigg Town Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the early 1920s. Won the Midlands Brass Band Festival in 1931. In the mid 1930s there was a reversal of fortunes from which the band did not recover for nearly 30 years. The long period of stagnation, including the war years, led to almost collapse, but revival in 1964 met with enthusiastic support from bandsmen and public alike. Within a few months they were confident enough to be entered for the bottom section of the Belle Vue Spring Contest, coming 8th out of 18 entrants. Also known as Brigg Town Silver Band. By 1966 they were good enough to be entered for the World Music Contest at Kerkrade, Holland. A visit that was repeated in 1970, winning 2nd class awards in competition with some of the best bands in the world. Another 5 years and they were knocking on the door of the 2nd Section, National Grading and even Section one was thought to be within reach, which would have put them in competition with the best bands in the country. Sadly that was not to be. The fortunes of brass bands have invariably gone in cycles and Brigg was to prove no exception. Just as they reached their peak in the late 1870s, winning Radio Humberside Band of the year three years in a row. In the early 1980s there was a real crisis. Friction between some players led to leaving the Brigg band and joining other local ones. Others followed leaving it in a sorry state. How could it have still survived to be still playing in 1991! It did just but finally it folded in December 2008.

### **Brighouse and Rastrick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1881 - Former names: Brighouse Temperance Band, Brighouse & Rastrick Temperance Band (to 1928)

### **Brighouse and Rastrick Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Brighouse & Rastrick Brass Band*

### **Brighouse Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1890s through to 1917, at Canal/Wharf Street, when Arthur Thornton was secretary. The band committee locked up instruments so players could not perform at Christmas 1909 as they had refused to go out to play in the summer that year.

### **Brighouse Excelsior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874.

### **Brighouse Old Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Brighouse Subscription Brass Band*

### **Brighouse Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s through to the 1890s. Conductor G.A. Pratt in 1860.

### **Brighouse Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Brighouse & Rastrick Brass Band*

### **Brightlingsea Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1862, composed almost entirely of shipwrights "who have adopted the practice of music as a recreation for their evening leisure". Still active in 1869

### **Brightlingsea Victoria Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1866

### **Brighton Amateurs Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s

- Brighton and Hove City Brass** - Sussex  
[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Brighton Silver Band, Brighton Buses Band
- Brighton Borough Public Band**  
See: *Brighton Corporation Band*
- Brighton Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1863, having shortly before been released from attachment to the 1st Sussex Rifles. Conductor Mr Aukett in 1864, Mr Turner in 1866. Still active in 1866
- Brighton Buses Band** - Sussex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Brighton and Hove City Brass*
- Brighton Church Army Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1907
- Brighton Corporation Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Fleet 1904
- Brighton Corporation Tramways Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1908, still playing in 1945
- Brighton Costermongers' Union Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1900, conductor J. Watts
- Brighton Imperial Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1900s
- Brighton Industrial School Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1876
- Brighton Operative Bricklayers Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1901
- Brighton Operative Plasterers Brass Band** - Sussex  
Formed in January 1866, conductor Mr Still. Also known as the Plasterers' Band. Still active in 1877
- Brighton Post Office Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1899
- Brighton Railway Works Band** - Sussex  
Active in from the 1850s through to the mid 1920s. Bandmaster in 1882 was Mr Hebling.
- Brighton Silver Band** - Sussex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Brighton and Hove City Brass*
- Brighton St John's Church Mission Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1908
- Brighton St Margaret's Mission Band** - Sussex  
Active 1890s through to WW1. Conductor W.G. Drew in 1899. Became Brighton Temperance Band around 1904. Bandmaster in 1910 was E. Turpin.
- Brighton Temperance Band**  
See: *Brighton St Margaret's Mission Band*
- Brighton Tramways Band**  
See: *Brighton Corporation Tramways Band*
- Brighton Workhouse Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1861, conductor Mr Curd. A band of 15 of the children of the workhouse.
- Brightside Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1869, 1872

**Brigstock Brass Band (1) - Northamptonshire**

Founded in 1845. Folded some time before 1865 when a successor band was formed

**Brigstock Brass Band (2) - Northamptonshire**

Founded in May 1865, with 13 performers, conductor Mr Mobbs. The instruments were bought for the band by Rev. S. Morton, who allowed the members to pay for them in small installments. In 1875, bandmaster J.G. Attenborough, it played for the Uppingham Temperance Society demonstration. In 1890 the players included William Abbott (trombone), whose instrument was still in use in the 1930s, having been a prize won at Stanion, he was employed on Fanning Woods estate as a woodman. Herbert Slawson (baritone), in later years became a builder. Thomas Adams (cornet), worked for Mr. Bradshaw, farmer. then went to live in the U.S.A. J. Shirley Richards (cornet) was bandmaster for a number of years, also a violin player, he was a tailor, and made the band's striking uniforms. William "Presser" Gray (euphonium), a presser at Wallis and Linnell's factory. George Richards (bass), brother of Shirley, and a partner in Richards Bros., tailors. J. Harrison, who went to Birmingham. Fred J. Steward (cornet), a prominent farmer at Brigstock. Horace Gray (valve trombone), son of William Gray. Joe Adams (baritone), was also a bellringer, and worked at Brigstock Mill. Tommy Starsmore (drummer), was also a bellringer at one time, worked at Spencer's timber yard. William Reeve (horn), better known as "the village blacksmith". Arnold Smith (circular bass), whose father and mother were the schoolmaster and mistress in the 1880s. Known as Brigstock Silver Band by the mid 1930s, it continued into the 1950 and 1960s.

**Brill Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. H. Oakley was the conductor. Still active in 1919

**Brimfield Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Founded in 1882, bandmaster A. Faulkner

**Brimscombe British Legion Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1930s

**Brindle Brass Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1810 - Former names: Brindle Temperance Band, Brindle Subscription Band, Lancashire Evening Post Band

**Brindle Subscription Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Brindle Brass Band*

**Brindle Temperance Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Brindle Brass Band*

**Brington Brass Band**

See: *Althorp Brass Band*

**Brinkworth Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Active in 1859, 1864

**Brinscall and Withnell Subscription Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s to early 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Green in 1904

**Brinscall Brass Band**

See: *Brinscall and Withnell Subscription Band*

**Brinscall Temperance Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1908

**Brinsley Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1880s through to WW1.

**Brinsley Church Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1919/1920

**Brinsley Imperial Band** - Nottinghamshire

Took part in the 44th Annual Temperance procession on Whit Monday in 1915. Starting from Somercotes, a sea of banners, flags and gaily decorated floats proceeded through Leabrooks and Riddings, gathering strength as it marched, and parading the village of Ironville before winding its way up to the Jessop Monument in Codnor Park. Still active in 1921

**Brinsley Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1930s through 1950s

**Brisley Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1890s to 1910s. In 1913, in the will of the Rev. William Henry Lowe, rector of Brisley, he bequeaths to his successors as rector the instruments and accessories which belong to his brass band, and includes the list of instruments

**Brislington Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Brislington Brass Band*

**Brislington Brass Band** - Somerset

Brislington is now a suburb of Bristol, but was formerly a rural village in North Somerset, which did not come fully into the Bristol Boundary until 1933. The Brislington Brass Band [usually known as "Tom Weymouth's Band"] was founded around 1860, or slightly earlier. Tom Weymouth was the bandmaster in the 1860s and was also landlord of 'The Pilgrim Inn' located at Hollywood Road. Brislington, it still stands today. Tom Weymouth took over the pub in 1862, and ran it, and the band until the 1890s, when both were taken over by his son also Tom. The band flourished until the 1910s, but Tom Jnr continued to run the Pilgrim until 1933. The band played at all local events, and there are local diaries from the 1860s noting that they went from house to house at Christmas and New Year's Eve. Notably they began the village celebrations for the Royal Wedding of the Princess of Wales [later Edward VII and Queen Alexandra] in 1863, by playing at the top of the tower of the parish church of St Luke's. They also played regularly at Bristol Zoo, at some time, and played at the opening of Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864. It is also believed that the Band played when the Keynsham [a near neighbour village] Mummers performed in Brislington. When Brislington's first public park [King Edward VII's Pleasure Grounds] was opened in 1903 a band stand was presented by Miss Annette Clayfield-Ireland, sister of Alfred Clayfield-Ireland the 'Squire of Brislington' of Brislington Hall. Sadly both park and bandstand have long since been covered by modern housing.

**Brison's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Messrs Walter and Brison's Brass Band*

**Bristnall Hall School Brass Band** - Oldbury, Worcestershire

Active in the 1980s

**Bristol Aero Works Band** - Accrington, Lancashire

See: *Bristol Aeroplane Company Works Band*

**Bristol Aeroplane Company Works Band** - Accrington, Lancashire

Formed 1939 and still active in the early 1950s. Conductor T. Yabsley in 1939. Alwyn G. Lloyd

**Bristol Aircraft Company Works Band** - Accrington, Lancashire

See: *Bristol Aeroplane Company Works Band*

**Bristol Alkali Works Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1864, when they took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol.

**Bristol Amateur Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1846

**Bristol Amateur Brass Band (2)** - Gloucestershire

Founded in October 1859. Renamed Bristol and Gloucestershire Brass Band in 1861. Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864, conducted by Mr Payne

**Bristol and Clifton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1854 to the 1860s. Conductor Mr Wilcocks in 1864

**Bristol and District N.U.R. Band**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s

**Bristol and Exeter Sheds Operatives Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1864

**Bristol and Gloucestershire Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Bristol Amateur Brass Band (2)*

**Bristol Argyle Hall Brass Band**

See: *Argyle Hall Brass Band*

**Bristol Blind Asylum Brass Band**

Active in 1855, 1861

**Bristol Britannia Band**

Active in from the 1890s to the early 1900s - for a time it was known as the 3rd Volunteer Gloucester Regiment Band. Also known as Mardon's Band - it was organised by Mardon, Son and Hall Ltd, a Bristol printing firm.

**Bristol Catholic Total Abstinence and Temperance Association Brass Band**

Founded in November 1863, conducted by U. Richardson

**Bristol Central Mission Brass Band**

Formed in the 1890s by a group of instrumentalists who attended the Old King Street Wesleyan Bible Class. Later known as the Bristol YMCA Brotherhood Band, Ebenezer Brotherhood Band, Bristol Victoria Silver Band (from 1907). Conductor in 1907, Mr Allsop. It folded in April 2009.

**Bristol Central Mission Wesleyan Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Centre Brass Band**

Active in the mid-1880s

**Bristol Citizens' Recruiting Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1915

**Bristol City Brass Band**

Founded in the late 1880s by ten players from the Wombwell Band. Still active in 1900

**Bristol City Mission Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol East and Kingswood Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 2007 - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of the Bristol East Band and the Kingswood (Bristol Band)

**Bristol East Brass Band (1)**

Active in 1890.

**Bristol East Brass Band (2)**

See: *Bristol East Temperance Band*

**Bristol East Temperance Band**

Formed in 1892 as Bristol East Temperance Band George William White for the miners in the locality. The White family, widely known in East Bristol, were heavily involved from the beginning in conducting, teaching, playing and administering the Band's affairs.

Took part in a festival of brass bands at the Colston Hall, Bristol in 1933. Later known as Bristol East Brass Band. Amalgamated with the Kingswood (Bristol) Band in 2007 to form Bristol East and Kingswood Band.

**Bristol Ebenezer Brotherhood Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Engineers' Brass Band**

Active in 1860

**Bristol Excelsior Brass Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Bristol Fire Brigade Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Band of Avon Fire and Rescue Service*

**Bristol Gas Company Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Formed in April 1860, conductor J.C. (J.O.) Brooke. Members were in the employment of the Bristol United Gas Company at the St Philip's Gas Works, Avon Street. Still active in the 1890s. Also known as the Avon Street Gas Works Band. Conductor Herr Wintermere in 1865

**Bristol Gas Works Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

See: *Bristol Gas Company Brass Band*

**Bristol Gatten Road Mission Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Bristol Hall of Freedom Band**

Active in the late 1890s and 1900s

**Bristol Imperial Prize Band**

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1930s.

**Bristol Loyal St George Band**

See: *Bristol St George's Brass Band*

**Bristol Mechanics Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Mechanics Band*

**Bristol Mechanics Brass Band**

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor J. Speare in 1865

**Bristol Mechanics Total Abstinence Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Mechanics Band*

**Bristol Milk Street Silver Band**

Active in 1907 to 1912. Possibly linked to the Methodist church located there (the street no longer exists).

**Bristol Mission Prize Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol N.F.S. (Area 17) Brass Band**

Active in the 1940s - disbanded around 1951.

**Bristol N.U.R. Band**

See: *Bristol and District N.U.R. Band*

**Bristol Old King Street Wesleyan Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Old Market Street Band**

See: *Bristol Temperance Brass Band*

**Bristol Post Office Brass Band**

Formed in 1885 - still active in 1936. A fund was set up in 1883, administered by W.H. Gange, by public subscription to start the band, which had raised over 100 pounds by September that year. Another report gives disbanding in 1902, but it must have revived again fairly quickly.

**Bristol R.A.M.C. Band**

Formed in 1909, conductor A. Wakefield

**Bristol Red, White and Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band**

Active in the 1880s

**Bristol Redland Park Hall Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Bristol Rupert Street Band**

Active in 1912

**Bristol South Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s, conductor G.A. Godfrey. Still active in 1936

**Bristol St George's Brass Band**

Active in 1878, 1899, through to WW1. Known as St George's Enterprise Brass Band in 1912. Conductor W. Truscott in 1899

**Bristol St John Ambulance Brass Band**

Active in the 1900s to the 1940s

**Bristol Temperance Brass Band**

Active from 1860, conductor Mr Trueman, through to WW1. Known as Bristol Old Market Street Band from 1902

**Bristol Temperance Mechanics Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Mechanics Band*

**Bristol Training Ship Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s

**Bristol Veterans Band - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Bristol Victoria Silver Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Volunteer Engineers Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s

**Bristol Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**

Active in the 1860s

**Bristol Wesleyan Mission Brass Band**

Founded in June 1893

**Bristol Workhouse Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Workhouse Schools Brass Band*

**Bristol Workhouse Schools Brass Band**

Active in 1861 to 1865



**Bristol Y.M.C.A. Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Y.M.C.A. Brotherhood Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Bristol Youth Brass Band**

Active in the 1950s through to the late 1970s. Conductor Mike Bolhovener in the 1970s

**Briston Brass Band - Norfolk**

Active in the 1950s

**Britag Band**

Active in 1985

**Britannia Airways Band - Derbyshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Sir Richard Arkwright's Masson Mills Band*

**Britannia Brass Band - Bacup, Lancashire**

Active in 1862, from the village of Britannia. Still active in 1867

**Britannia Brass Band - Banbury, Oxfordshire**

See: *Banbury Britannia Works Band*

**Britannia Brass Band - Barrow, Lincolnshire**

See: *Barrow Britannia Band*

**Britannia Brass Band - Birmingham, Warwickshire**

See: *Birmingham Britannia Brass Band*

**Britannia Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

See: *Bristol Britannia Band*

**Britannia Brass Band - Parkgate, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1880s

**Britannia Brass Band - Preston, Lancashire**

See: *Preston Britannia Brass Band*

**Britannia Building Society Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

**Britannia Building Society Foden Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

**Britannia Ironworks Band - Banbury, Oxfordshire**

See: *Britannia Works Band (Banbury)*

**Britannia Ironworks Band - Gainsborough, Lincolnshire**

See: *Gainsborough Britannia Works Band*

**Britannia Ironworks Brass Band - Bedford, Bedfordshire**

See: *Bedford Foundry Brass Band*

**Britannia Prize Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

See: *Bristol Britannia Band*

**Britannia Silver Prize Band - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed after 1900 and gave concerts during WW1, still in existence in 1927

**Britannia Temperance Band**

See: *Bristol Britannia Band*

**Britannia Works Band - Banbury, Oxfordshire**

Industrialist and philanthropist Bernhard Samuelson owned the Britannia Works for the manufacture of agricultural machinery. This attracted a labour force to the town and created a need for the education of the children of Samuelson's employees, which was served by Banbury's Britannia Road School. Space within the school was sometimes used

by the Britannia Band as for instance on the occasion of the relief of Mafeking in 1900. The first ever school treat was held on August 12, 1862 when 260 children and about 70 staff and friends had tea on the lawn of Samuelson's residence, Bodicote Grange. The children sang and the Britannia Works Band played 'a number of airs'. Six years later we are told that tea, cake and fruit were plentiful but that a heavy shower of rain at 5 o'clock dampened the grass but not the children's spirits. Competed in the British Open in 1893 and was still active in the 1930s

**Britannia Works Band** - Gainsborough, Lincolnshire

See: *Gainsborough Britannia Works Band*

**Brithdir and Cwmsyfiog Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Formed in the early 1900s

**Briths Fuels (Parc and Dare) Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Parc & Dare Band*

**British Aerospace (Chadderton) Band**

See: *Newton Heath Brass Band (2)*

**British Aerospace (Manchester) Band**

See: *Newton Heath Brass Band (2)*

**British Aerospace Wingates Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wingates Band*

**British Airways Band** - Heathrow, Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 1972 - Former names: Silver Wing Band, British Airways Clubs Band

**British Airways Clubs Band** - Heathrow, Middlesex

[previous name of current band] See: *British Airways Band*

**British Aluminium Band** - Camelon, Stirlingshire

[no information]

**British Coal Enterprise (St. Mary's) Band**

Active in the 1990s

**British Insulated and Helsby Cables Band**

See: *B.I.H.C. Band*

**British Insulated Cables Band (Prescot)**

See: *Prescot Cables Band*

**British Insulated Cables Callender's Band**

See: *Callender's Cable Works Band*

**British Insulated Cables Company Brass Band**

See: *B.I.H.C. Band*

**British Iron Works Brass Band** - Cradley Heath, Staffordshire

Active in 1856

**British League Abstainers' Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Founded in May 1865

**British M.A.R.C. Silver Prize Band**

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**British Motor Corporation Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*

**British Oil and Cake Mills Band** - Kingston upon Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in 1926, conductor C.S. Moon. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s, remained active through to 1939.

- British Order of Ancient Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire  
Active in 1893, bandmaster Roderick Bishop, secretary Alexander Carnegie
- British Railways (Eastern Region) Band**  
See: *L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band*
- British Railways (Gorton Works) Band**  
See: *L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band*
- British Railways (Manchester) Band**  
See: *L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band*
- British Railways (Mirfield) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1946, active through the 1950s
- British Railways (Sheffield) Band**  
Active in 1949 and 1950s
- British Railways Silver Band (Swindon)** - Wiltshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*
- British Ropes Excelsior Band**  
Active in 1969/72
- British Ropes Silver Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1940s and 1950s
- British School Brass Band** - Frampton Cotterell, Gloucestershire  
See: *Frampton Cotterell British School Brass Band*
- British Steel Band (Port Talbot)** - Glamorgan  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tata Brass Band*
- British Steel Company North Skelton Band**  
See: *North Skelton and District Band*
- British Steel Dodworth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*
- British Steel Teesside Band**  
See: *North Skelton and District Band*
- British Telecom Band**  
See: *Stockport Telephone Band*
- British Thompson Houston Band** - Rugby, Warwickshire  
Between 1935-1946 Jephthah (Jeff) Baxter was Bandmaster. BTH was an engineering company from Rugby, and the band played on the B.B.C. Home Service during WW2.
- British Timber Company Brass Band** - Castleton, Rochdale, Lancashire  
See: *Blue Pits Brass Band*
- British Vita Works Band** - Middleton, Lancashire  
Active in the early 1970s
- British Workman's Brass Band**  
See: *Pendleton Old Prize Band*
- British Workmen's Cocoa Rooms Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Formed in 1881, active through the 1880s
- British Xylonite Works Band**  
See: *Xylonite Works Band*
- Briton Ferry Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
[current band] - Founded in 1908
- Britten Memorial (Spiritualists' Own) Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s

**Brixham Artillery Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in the 1860s to 1890s

**Brixham Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1853 and in the 1890s

**Brixham Excelsior Band** - Devon  
Active in 1910

**Brixham Town Band** - Devon  
See: *Brixham Brass Band*

**Brixham Town Band** - Devon  
[current band]

**Brixham Volunteers Band** - Devon  
Active in the early 1900s

**Brixton and Clapham Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1920s

**Brixton Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the early 1900s, conductor J.F. Beeson

**Brixton Wesleyan Mission Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1902, Mr McManus conductor

**Brixworth Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
[no information]

**Brize Norton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1880s

**Broad Chalke Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1950s

**Broad Lane (Illogan) Band**  
See: *Illogan Broad Lane Band*

**Broad Street Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire  
Formed around 1913 - still active in 1916.

**Broad Street Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active around 1910

**Broadbottom Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active from 1862 to the 1880s

**Broadchalke Band**  
See: *Broad Chalke Brass Band*

**Broadclough Amateur Brass Band**  
See: *Bacup Old Band*

**Broadclough Band**  
See: *Bacup Old Band*

**Broadheath Excelsior Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Broadheath Linotype Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1898 - based at the Linotype works near Altrincham. Still active in 1904

**Broadhembury Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1862 to 1867

**Broadhurst Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s and 1890s

**Broadland Brass Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1930 - Former names: Blofield & District Silver Band

**Broadstone Brass Band** - Dorset

Formed in 1905. Founding members included: circular bass, P. Rendle, euphonium, F. Rendle and W. Evans, baritone, A. Wilcox and E. Best, saxhorn, E. Horwood and W. Wilcox, cornet, E. Kerley, E. Clarke and A. Lawford, drum A. Kerley, kettledrum, J. Beament. Bandmaster Sydney Longman

**Broadway Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1873 and through to 1893 at least.

**Broadway Secondary School Band** - Sunderland, Durham

Active in 1974, conductor Alan Hope.

**Broadwell Brass Band**

Formed in 1906, a report dated 5th October said the band had started about 6 weeks earlier. The bandmaster was Captain Bosley of the Church Army - a local vicar supplied the instruments. Mentioned in news reports for 1906 to 1912. Last mention of the band is 6th August 1912.

**Broadwey Brass Band**

See: *Broadwey Temperance Band*

**Broadwey Temperance Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1890s, conductor F.W. Vallins. Conductor in 1901 and 1928 J. Billen. Still active in the 1930s. Also known as Broadwey Brass Band

**Broadwindsor Saxhorn Brass Band** - Dorset

Founded in 1868

**Broadwood Works Brass Band** - Westminster, Middlesex

Formed in 1854 - employees of the Broadwood Piano factory. It was initially formed as a brass and reed band, converting to all brass in 1893, conductor Fred W. Davies. Other reports give it as an all-brass ensemble in the mid 1860s, conducted by H. Sibold.

**Brockdish Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Brockenhurst Brass Band**

See: *Brockenhurst Excelsior Brass Band*

**Brockenhurst Excelsior Brass Band** - Hampshire

Founded in 1891, still active in 1909

**Brockhampton Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Mr Greenfield in 1908

**Brockhampton Estate Band**

See: *Brockhampton Band*

**Brockhurst Brass Band** - near Monks Kirby, Warwickshire

Active in 1875

**Brocklesby Brass Band**

Active in the 1880s

**Brodsworth Colliery (T.S.B) Band**

See: *Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band*

**Brodsworth Colliery Welfare and Institute Band**

See: *Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band*

**Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1940s to the end of the 1980s. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by D.V. Hardy

**Brodsworth Main Club and Institute Band**

See: *Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band*

**Brodsworth Main Colliery Band**

See: *Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band*

**Brodsworth Main Workmen's Band**

See: *Brodsworth Colliery Welfare Band*

**Bromborough Pool Silver Prize Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to WW1. In 1896 the secretary was John Marshall and the band was known as Bromborough Village Band. In 1902 (known as Bromborough Pool Village Band, conductor A.B. Smith), and 1914, the secretary was James Harris

**Bromborough Pool Village Band**

See: *Bromborough Pool Silver Prize Band*

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See: *Bromborough Pool Silver Prize Band*

**Bromfield Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1853

**Bromham Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1920s

**Bromley and Bickley Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Bickley and Bromley Brass Band*

**Bromley Borough Band** - Kent

See: *Bromley Town Band*

**Bromley Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1880s

**Bromley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1864

**Bromley Foresters Bass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s

**Bromley Home Guard Band** - Kent

Active in the 1950s

**Bromley Silver Band** - Kent

See: *Bromley Borough Band*

**Bromley Town Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s to the 1930s. Known as Bromley Borough Band from 1903. Conductor J. Pemberton in 1903

**Bromley Volunteers Band** - Kent

Active in 1906, bandmaster R.D. Cubitt

**Bromley, Bickley and Hayes Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Bickley and Bromley Brass Band*

**Brompton and Gillingham Boys' Band** - Gillingham, Kent

Active in the early 1900s. Conductor Henry Allen in 1905

**Brompton Boys' Band**

See: *Brompton and Gillingham Boys' Band*

**Brompton Boys' Institute Band**

See: *Brompton and Gillingham Boys' Band*

**Brompton Silver Band**

Active in the 1930s

**Bromsgrove Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1840s to 1870s

**Bromsgrove Town Band - Worcestershire**

Founded in 1900. Still active in 1960 when it celebrated its diamond jubilee.

**Bromwich Subscription Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Bromyard Amateur Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1880s. Conductor C. Williams in 1869

**Bromyard Volunteers Band - Herefordshire**

Active in the 1900s

**Bronwydd and Llysnewydd Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

An account from 1st July 1895 - the day the railway opened between Newcastle Emlyn and Llandysul. "The whole town turned out to welcome the opening of the railway. Schoolchildren were given a day's holiday and an organising committee had been hard at work making all the arrangements for the historic day. Shortly before 10 am the town's schoolchildren all wearing rosettes and flowers marched in procession to the station headed by the Bronwydd and Llysnewydd Brass Band. There they boarded three special excursion trains of 12 carriages each for a return trip to Llandysul. According to the report in the Tivyside, saloon carriages were provided for the teachers and members of the organising committee. On the return of the excursion trains nearly 2,000 children and adults sat down to tea in the Market Hall. During the afternoon the band played through the streets and everything "wore a most festive appearance."

**Bronwydd Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in 1854

**Bronze Social Brass Band - Wallasey, Cheshire**

Active in 1977

**Brook Dale Brass Band - Newton Heath, Lancashire**

Active in 1864

**Brookhouse Brass Band - Blackburn, Lancashire**

Active in the 1850s, leader W. Southworth. In January 1860 the band enrolled with the Blackburn Artillery Volunteers

**Brook's Band - Thwaites, near Keighley, Yorkshire, West Riding**

[no information]

**Brookwood Asylum Brass Band - Woking, Surrey**

Founded in 1867

**Broomhill and Chevington Collieries Band - Amble, Northumberland**

Active from the mid-1850s to the 1950s. In 1874 the conductor was R. Curley and the secretary William McCloud. Bandmaster at one time was Edward Thirtle. A selection of his family and band photographs have been lodged with the Woodhorn Colliery museum in Ashington, Northumberland. Still active in the 1950s but had disbanded before 1961.

**Broomhill Brass Band**

See: *Broomhill and Chevington Collieries Band*

**Broomhill Colliery Band**

See: *Broomhill and Chevington Collieries Band*

**Broseley Brass** - Buckinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Milton Keynes Brass*

**Broseley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1854

**Brotherhood Brass Band** - Eastleigh, Hampshire

Active in 1910

**Brotherhood Brass Band** - Haywards Heath,

See: *Haywards Heath Town Band*

**Brotherton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the early 1860s. Conductor in 1906, Thomas Hardy. Wound up in the courts as of 27th March 1962

**Brotherton Old Band**

See: *Brotherton Brass Band*

**Brotherton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor in 1903, Mr Lee

**Brotherton United W.M.C. Band**

See: *Brotherton United Brass Band*

**Brotton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2010

**Brotton Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1870s (conductor B. Beaver in 1875) through to the 1900s

**Brotton Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s, active in 1908, and probably folded during the Great War.

Conductor in 1899 was John Champion

**Brough Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1840s through to 1910. Conductor George William Bailey in 1869

**Brough Temperance Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1853, 1863

**Brough Union Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1860

**Broughton Astley Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1895

**Broughton Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Broughton Temperance Band*

**Broughton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Broughton Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Broughton Hacket Brass Band*

**Broughton Brass Band (1)** - Cumberland

Active in 1851

**Broughton Brass Band (2)** - Cumberland

See: *Great Broughton Brass Band*

**Broughton Hacket Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1867



**Broughton Public Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Broughton Rechabites Band**

See: *Great Broughton Rechabites Band*

**Broughton Silver Band**

See: *Great Broughton Brass Band*

**Broughton Temperance Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Broughton Victoria Prize Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s. Disbanded in 1904

**Broughton-in-Furness Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1908

**Broughtons Brass Band** - Durham

Originally formed as the Blackhall Youth Band by Albert Haswell in 1971 to teach young people to play brass and percussion instruments. Many successes included two major youth awards at the International Music Festival held in Rastede, Germany. The gradually brought in more senior players to enable younger players to benefit from their experience and expertise. In 1982 sponsorship was obtained from the American Oil Company A.M.O.C.O., which lasted until 1987. Following this, sponsorship was obtained from Broughtons Ltd, the Rolls Royce and Bentley distributors based in Cheltenham. Also at this time, it relocated in 1987 to South Hetton Community Centre, a building converted from the offices of the recently closed South Hetton Colliery. The band amalgamated with Hetton Silver Band in 2009 to form the Durham Miners Association Brass Band.

**Brown Edge Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, also in the 1950s

**Brownedge Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1850s. It performed in "full uniform" at Brownedge in June 1851.

Conductor John Walker in 1852. Funnily enough, a report in the Preston Guardian in June 1887 states: "At Brownedge a grand opera 'Britannia and Her Daughter' was performed by the St. Mary's Girls' School. Mr Gray's Military Band playing on the new instruments bought for the Brownedge Band."

**Browney Colliery Band** - Brandon, Durham

Formed in 1899, folded around 1938.

**Brownhills Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1864 to 1869

**Brownhills Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1910, 1920s

**Brownhills Town Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1908, conductor S. Morris

**Brownhills Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1869

**Browning Hall Mission Band** - Walworth, Surrey

Active around 1900

**Brownlow Fold Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1887, conductor T. Taylor

**Brown's Musical (Ransome) Band**

See: *Ransome Band*

**Brown's Works Band**

See: *Blaina Band*

**Browsea Island Band** - Dorset

Active in 1906, bandmaster A. Campbell.

**Broxburn and Livingston Brass Band** - West Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 2004 - Note: Formed by merger of Broxburn Public Brass Band and Livingston Brass Band

**Broxburn Brass Band** - West Lothian

Active in the 1860s through to the 1880s. Conductor Mr McElwee in 1872. Disbanded before 1890. A successor band was formed in 1891

**Broxburn Catholic Silver Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Broxburn Silver Band*

**Broxburn Oil Works Band** - West Lothian

Possibly active in the 1870s. The company produced oil from shale. The band disbanded, its instruments being handed over by Mr N.M. Henderson of the Oil Company to the Broxburn Old Town Brass Band.

**Broxburn Old Town Brass Band**

See: *Broxburn Brass Band*

**Broxburn Public Brass Band** - West Lothian

Formed in 1891. Merged with Livingston Brass Band in 2004 to form Broxburn and Livingston Brass Band

**Broxburn Silver Band** - West Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 1891 - Former names: Broxburn Catholic Silver Band (to 1981)

**Bruce Road Band** - Bow, Middlesex

Founded in 1905, conductor E. Tyson

**Brumby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active around 1980

**Brunel Brass** - Swindon, Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 2006

**Brunswick Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1893

**Brunswick Hall Brass Band** - Whitechapel, Middlesex

Active around 1913 - it was attached to the Congregational Chapel.

**Brunswick Model Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Bruton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s, conductor Mr Chafey

**Bruton Excelsior Brass Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1892, still active in 1905

**Brymbo and Broughton Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1850s

**Brymbo Brass Band**

See: *Brymbo Steel Works Band*

**Brymbo C.E.T.S. Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1890s, disbanded in 1902

**Brymbo Steel Works Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1890s through to the 1940s. Conductor in 1899, J. Davies, in 1913, David Mathias. Presumably folded by the early 60s, when a worker installing a crane in the loft space of the old steel works stores discovered a complete set of brass band instruments covered in dust, which looked as if they had been there for years. Inquiries were made with the steelworks management and several days later they had gone. The steelworks themselves closed in 1990.

**Bryn Celynnog Youth Band** - Pontypridd, Glamorgan

Active in the 1960s/1970s

**Brynamman Old Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1905

**Brynamman Silver Band**

See: *Brynamman Town Band*

**Brynamman Temperance Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1900, conductor Mr Payne

**Brynamman Territorials Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1

**Brynamman Town Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1890s through to the 1920s when the conductor was Herbert Rees. The band's instruments were destroyed in a fire in 1907. Conductor Arthur Jones in 1919

**Brynamman Voluntary Band**

See: *Brynamman Territorials Brass Band*

**Bryngreylwys Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1869, playing at Towyn

**Brynmawr Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in 1862

**Brynmawr Silver Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active from the 1930s to the 1950s

**Brynmawr Town and District Silver Band**

See: *Brynmawr Silver Band*

**Brynmawr Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1890s

**Brynrefail Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

[no information]

**BT Band**

See: *Stockport Telephone Band*

**Bubwith and Hemingbrough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s. Conductor R. Smith in 1860. Also known as Hemingborough Brass Band

**Buchan Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1980s/90s

**Buck Mills Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1896

**Buckden Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1890s to 1920s. Reputed to have been one of the largest village bands in the country at one time. Conductor G. Hardwick in 1905

**Buckfastleigh Brass Band** - Devon

Active from the 1870s to the late 1890s. Conductor F. Tolchard in 1892. Presumed to have folded prior to 1902 when the Hamlyn Brothers Band became Buckfastleigh Town Band

**Buckfastleigh British Legion Band** - Devon

Active in the late 1940s and 1950s

**Buckfastleigh Town Band**

See: *Hamlyn Brothers Brass Band*

**Buckhaven and Methil Miners' Brass Band** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Wellesley Colliery Band and Buckhaven Town Band

**Buckhaven Town Band** - Fife

Formed in 1905. Conductor Peter Brown in 1909. Joined S.A.B.B.A. in 1911 and entered the Scottish third section in 1912. In 1913 they competed in the Scottish third section championship and came joint first with Penicuik, Penicuik held the trophy for the first 6 months and Buckhaven for the last six months. A run of good results came to a halt as the first world war began and suspended contesting until 1918. On 1st December 1917, 4 contests commenced, all of which were for charity, returning bands to contesting, Buckhaven were awarded prizes for best soprano, best tenor horn and best baritone. On 13th December 1919 Buckhaven were promoted to second section after a joint third place at the Scottish championships, then competed in the second section championships on the 20th and took 4th place with only one point separating the first four bands. By 1925 a fourth section was introduced because of ever rising numbers of bands and regional qualifying competitions meant that the top 5 east and west bands were to compete against each other at the Scottish championships for grading (Buckhaven were third and Wellesley Colliery were fourth in the east). In the 1927 second section championships Buckhaven won, and for the first time the association presented 25 bronze medals to the winners along with best instrumentalist Buckhaven's solo euphonium, to top it all off they were promoted to the championship section where they stayed for eight years. In 1937 they returned to the second section and the Second World War put contesting into limbo until 1945. On the 15th October 1945 Buckhaven launched into the Scottish championships and took 2nd place and until the 1950s Buckhaven were in and out of competition after the retirement of Charles Terris. They then started annual visits to the C.I.S.W.O. championships in Blackpool. They amalgamated with Wellesley Colliery Band in 1976 to form the Buckhaven and Methil Miners Band

**Buckhorn Weston Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1880s

**Buckie and District Brass Band** - Banffshire

Active in the 1970s

**Buckie Brass Band** - Banffshire

Founded in 1870. Active through to WW1

**Buckingham Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductor Mr Bailey in 1905

**Buckingham Rifle Volunteers Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Gawcott Brass Band*

**Buckingham Town Band**

See: *Buckingham Brass Band*

**Buckland Congregational Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

Active in 1897

**Buckland Monachorum Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1902

**Buckland Newton Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1900s to WW1. Conductor Mr Paulley in 1905

**Buckley Brass Band** - Flintshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Royal Buckley Town Band*

**Buckley Engineers Volunteer Brass Band** - Flintshire

Formed in 1880. Known as the Mill Band as it rehearsed in the mill in Mill Lane, Buckley. It was still active in 1898 and won first prize at an Eisteddfod in Holywell. Conductor Arthur Griffiths in 1902

**Buckley Hall Orphanage Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. The orphanage opened in 1888. There was also a drum and fife band, and a choir at the home.

**Buckley Mill Band**

See: *Buckley Engineers Volunteer Brass Band*

**Buckley Slaughter House Band** - Flintshire

Founded in 1904, conductor William Ellis, later became Denbighshire Imperial Yeomanry Band

**Buckley Street Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Active around 1905 - based at the Buckley Street Methodist Church

**Buckley Town Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1902

**Bucknall Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Bucknall Ex-Servicemen's Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Florence Brass*

**Bucknall Ex-Servicemen's Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1928, conducted by Mr Henshall.

**Buckrose Brass Band**

See: *Sherburn and District Brass Band*

**Bude Haven Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1850

**Bude Metric Brass** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Bude Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1895

**Bude Volunteers Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1905

**Budleigh Salterton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1848

**Budleigh Salterton British Legion Silver Band**

Active in 1933, when the bandmaster was C.J. Bedwell and the secretary H.J. Burch

**Budleigh Salterton Juniors Band** - Devon

Active in the 1950s

**Budleigh Salterton Town Band** - Devon

Formed in December 1897. Instruments purchased via public subscription, conductor N. Wood. Conductor in 1909, M. Harding. Active through to 1916

**Budock Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1913

**Budock Water Band** - Cornwall

That there was a band under this title there is no doubt, but all that can be discovered is that it carried out two engagements in 1897, and that was that. Probably a makeshift band of players who wanted to earn a few extra pennies.

**Bugbrooke Brass Band**

See: *Bugbrooke Excelsior Brass Band*

**Bugbrooke Excelsior Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1880s up to WW1. Conductor A.J. Lawrence in 1895, A. Ashby in 1899

**Bugle Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1868

**Builth Brass Band** - Brecknockshire

Active in the 1900s

**Bulford and Cholderton Brass Band**

See: *Cholderton and Bulford Brass Band*

**Bulford Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1903

**Bulkington Brass Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bulkington Silver Band*

**Bulkington Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1848 - Former names: Bulkington Brass Band, "Bicknell's Band" to 1919 - Note: Formed during the Crimean War by George Bicknell and his five sons

**Bullcroft Colliery Ambulance Band**

See: *Bullcroft Miners Ambulance Band*

**Bullcroft Main Colliery Band**

See: *Bullcroft Miners Ambulance Band*

**Bullcroft Miners Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1917, bandmaster William Clark. Active through to the late 1960s. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by J. Woods

**Bullcroft Welfare Band**

See: *Bullcroft Miners Ambulance Band*

**Bulmer Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1840, conductor Mr Spenceley

**Bulwell Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1850 through to the late 1890s. Conductor in 1867 was William Thorpe. May have been superseded by the Bulwell Excelsior Band or renamed as such.

**Bulwell Excelsior Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1900, conductor Samuel Riffin. "The Kimberley Baptist Church Sunday School banner was paraded through Kimberley's streets in June 1911 when the coronation of

King George V was celebrated. All of the local churches marched behind the Bulwell Excelsior Prize Band after assembling on the cricket field. " Still active in 1940.

**Bulwell Harmonic Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1872

**Bunbury Brass Band** - Cheshire

Formed in 1894

**Bungay Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1859

**Bungay Rifles Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1900s

**Buntingford Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in the 1850s. Had folded prior to 1887 when there was some discussion about re-establishing the band, but it was rejected in favour of setting up a drum and fife band.

**Buntingford Silver Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1913, conductor A.T. Stapeley. Still active in 1949.

**Buntingford Town Band**

See: *Buntingford Silver Band*

**Burbage Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1861

**Burbage Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active in 1853 through to the early 1900s. Conductor Mr Champion in 1865

**Burbage Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

The Burbage Band was first founded in 1907 by Edmond Evans and rehearsed at the Anchor Inn. By 1912, it became a full military group with approx 25 players, but then disbanded in the same year. It reformed in 1914 when it joined with another band in the village. All the band members enlisted en bloc in 1915. It dispensed with wind instruments in 1927, after which it was known as Burbage Silver Band. The new band entered its first contest at Crystal Palace in July 1929 and went on to participate in many contests until its success in the 1967 Daily Herald finals, after which it turned its attention to concerts. It merged with Nuneaton Borough Band in 1989 to form the current Burbage Silver Band.

**Burbage Military Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Burbage Silver Band*

**Burbage Silver Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: Burbage Military Band, Burbage Silver Prize (Hinkley) Band (1926 when converted to full brass) - Note: Nuneaton Borough Band amalgamated with Burbage Silver Band in 1989. As the band rehearsed in Hinckley it kept the name Burbage Silver Band.

**Burbage Silver Band**

See: *Burbage Brass Band (2)*

**Burbage Silver Prize (Hinkley) Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Burbage Silver Band*

**Burcombe Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1862 to 1864

**Burford Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1860s, folding in the 1870s.

**Burford Brass Band (2) - Oxfordshire**

Formed in 1888 by Dr Lane. Active through to the 1910s

**Burgess Hill Brass Band - Sussex**

Formed in 1890, conductor C. W. Dunkinson in 1907, secretary R.A. (Bob) Beard in 1913. Was an active and successful band in the 1970/1980s, when it's most successful Musical Director was Arthur Chapman, and the Band was very strong in contests. In the early 80's several of the senior players left to reform the then defunct Handcross Band and the fortunes of the band fell for several years. It amalgamated with the Haywards Heath Town Prize Silver Band in 1986 to form the the Mid Sussex Brass Band.

**Burgess Hill Temperance Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in 1890

**Burgh Brass Band - Burgh le Marsh, Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Burghclere Brass Band - Hampshire**

Founded in 1907

**Buriton Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active around 1900

**Burley and District Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1920s through to 1940s when it was rename Burley and Ilkley Band. Probably folded in the early 1960s

**Burley and Ilkley Band**

See: *Burley and District Band*

**Burley and Otley Band**

See: *Burley and District Band*

**Burley Brass Band - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1913

**Burley Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active from the early 1900s through to around 1970 when it merged with the Ringwood Band to form the Ringwood and Burley Band. Also known as Burley Silver Band.

**Burley Road Adult School Band - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the early 1900s

**Burley Silver Band**

See: *Burley Brass Band (Hampshire)*

**Burley Silver Band**

See: *Burley-in-Wharfedale Band*

**Burley Works Band**

See: *Arthur Newsome Public Works Band*

**Burley-in-Wharfedale Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1865 and 1922. Rehearsed in the Township School in Burley-in-Wharfedale. Also known as Burley Silver Band.

**Burmantofts Temperance Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in 1903

**Burnage (Manchester) Band**

See: *Burnage and District Band*

**Burnage and District Band - Lancashire**

Formed in the 1890s. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by W. Stopford. Later known as Burnage (Manchester) Band. Folded in the early 1990s



**Burnage Brass Band**

See: *Burnage and District Band*

**Burnbank Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the early 1890s through to the 1920s. Folded in 1903 only to be revived in 1905. Renamed Greenfield Colliery Band in 1908.

**Burneside Brass Band** - Westmorland

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Burngreave Institute Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active the 1930s

**Burnham and Highbridge Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1945

**Burnham and Highbridge Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1945

**Burnham Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Burnham-On-Crouch, Essex

Active in 1882

**Burnham Brass Band** - Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex

Founded in 1863, active through to the 1920s. Conductor in 1863 was Dansey Hawkins

**Burnham Brass Band** - Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset

Active in the 1880s and 1890s through to the 1920s. Also known as Burham Town Band. Conductor Fred Luxon in the early 1900s, Thomas Stone in 1904

**Burnham Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1900

**Burnham Temperance Band** - Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Burnham, Hitcham and Taplow Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1904

**Burnhope Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1860s through to the 1890s

**Burnhope Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in 1920s and folded in the late 1960s

**Burnhope Silver Band**

See: *Burnhope Colliery Band*

**Burnley Alliance Silver Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in the 1940s - Former names: Burnley Home Guard Band (to 1951)

**Burnley and District Band**

Active in the 1920s/40s.

**Burnley Artillery Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s. Conductor Thomas Greenwood in 1905. Disbanded in 1908

**Burnley Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1860s to 1890s

**Burnley Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s through to the 1920s. Bandmaster Peter Fairhurst in 1919

**Burnley Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in the mid-1880s by John Rafferty and others. Active in 1885, conductor J. Murphy. One founder member was E. Hassall, who died in 1941. The band was still active in 1920.

- Burnley Comrades Band** - Lancashire  
Formed after WW1 - active in 1920.
- Burnley Home Guard Association Band** - Lancashire  
Previous name of the current Burnley Alliance Silver Band
- Burnley Home Guard Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Burnley Alliance Silver Band*
- Burnley Lane Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Burnley Lane Subscription Brass Band*
- Burnley Lane Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1890 through to WW2
- Burnley Lane Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Burnley Lane Subscription Brass Band*
- Burnley Mechanics Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Burnley Mechanics Institute Brass Band*
- Burnley Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1851, 1854
- Burnley Municipal Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Burnley Borough Band*
- Burnley National Reserve Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1920
- Burnley National Reserve Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Formed afterActive in 1920
- Burnley Old Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- Burnley Police Band** - Lancashire  
[no information]
- Burnley Public Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the 1880s - folded around 1936
- Burnley Rifles Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s/1870s
- Burnley Saxhorn Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1854
- Burnley Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1892
- Burnley Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1887. Active in the 1890s and competed in the Grand Shield in 1933. (There is a newspaper report of the 21st anniversary "pie supper" in 1908). There may have been a previous band of the same name formed in 1873.
- Burnopfield and District Band**  
See: *Burnopfield Colliery Band*
- Burnopfield Brass Band**  
See: *Burnopfield Colliery Band*
- Burnopfield Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active between 1903 and 1939
- Burnopfield Silver Model Band**  
See: *Burnopfield Colliery Band*

**Burnt Heath Band** - Essex

Formed in the neighbouring hamlet of Crockleford Heath in the early 1900s, it folded in the 1940s. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**Burnt Yates Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1850s. Conductor Mr Hesling in 1855. It played on the green to mark the end of the Crimean War in 1856 and, in March 1863, went to Harrogate to celebrate the wedding of the Prince of Wales to Alexandra by playing on the Stray, although the performance was stopped by a snowstorm. It folded in 1885.

**Burnt Yates Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Burnt Yates Brass Band*

**Burrtisland Burgh Band** - Fife

Active from 1860 through to at least 1960. There was talk, in 1860, of the band becoming associated with the local artillery volunteers

**Burrtisland Silver Band**

See: *Burrtisland Burgh Band*

**Burntwood Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s

**Burntwood Loyal Union Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s

**Burntwood Temperance Silver Prize Band** - Staffordshire

[no information]

**Burradon and Weetslade Band**

See: *Burradon Colliery Band*

**Burradon Brass Band**

See: *Burradon Colliery Band*

**Burradon Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1866, secretary W. Cowperwhite. Conductor J. Dixon in 1867. Active in 1883, conductor Thomas Hunn. Had folded by the end of the 1970s

**Burradon Silver Model Band**

See: *Burradon Colliery Band*

**Burrage Grove Board School Brass Band** - Woolwich, Kent

Active in the 1890s

**Burry Port Town Band** - Carmarthenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1972

**Burry Port Town Band** - Carmarthenshire

Originally formed as Elliotts Smelting Works Band in 1896. It quickly established itself playing at local fetes and marches, raising money for both itself and worthy causes. One such example was a march for the destitute and unemployed people of Kidwelly, which raised about £8, a considerable amount of money at the turn of the century. Conductor Rufus Fletcher in 1899. The lifeblood for most bands is on the competing stage and this was as important in the 1920's as it is today. In those days the band had to make it's own way to contest venues by train. It was fortunate that the band's rehearsal room was in the Neptune buildings adjacent to the station. Just before the outbreak of the Second World War the bands' fortunes took a turn for the worse and they disbanded. A successor band was formed in 1972.

### **Burslem Borough Band**

See: *Burslem Brass Band*

### **Burslem Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1870s through to around 1891. Also known as Burslem Prize Band. Some of its members went on to form the new Burslem Town Band in 1892

### **Burslem Co-operative Band** - Staffordshire

Formed after WW2 - active through the 1950s

### **Burslem Imperial Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s

### **Burslem Port Vale Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s

### **Burslem Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1849, conducted by Mr Hughes

### **Burslem Town Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1892

### **Burston Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1907, conductor Mr Vanham

### **Burtle Silver Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1905 - Note: Founded by Allen Moxey.

### **Burton Amateur Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1906

### **Burton Borough Band**

See: *Burton Brass Band*

### **Burton Bradstock Youth Band**

See: *Wessex Youth Burton Bradstock Band*

### **Burton Brass Band** - Burton upon Stather, Lincolnshire

Active in 1864

### **Burton Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1892. Conducted by Mr W. Twells, in 1897, when the new Burton Silver Prize Band was founded

### **Burton Constable Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1862, formed from workers on the estate of Lady Constable

### **Burton Constructional (Newhall) Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

### **Burton Excelsior Brass Band (1)** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1876. Presumed to have folded prior to 1900. A successor band was formed in 1905.

### **Burton Excelsior Brass Band (2)** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Formed in 1905 by Ernie S. Cox, a Burton fruiterer. Rehearsed at the Robin Hood Inn at that time. The band's uniform was very dark green with contrasting green piping on the trousers, tunic and cap. Ernie Cox conducted the band until the 1930s when Fred Adams took over the baton. Ernie Cox transported the band to and from engagements on the back of his fruiterer's delivery lorry. Gained seventh place at the Derby Festival on 22 August 1912, and competed in a contest run by the Daily Herald at Skegness, with 30 bands, using the test piece "March of the Heralds". Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s, on one occasion a second place was obtained. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor E. Booth

(drawn 6 of 11 bands, they were not placed). The band folded at the outbreak of the Second World War.

**Burton Excelsior Silver Band**

See: *Burton Excelsior Brass Band (2)*

**Burton Latimer Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1884 and the 1890s

**Burton Latimer Britannia Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1888. Active through until WW1.

**Burton Latimer Town Band**

See: *Burton Latimer Brass Band*

**Burton Leonard Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860, 1864, 1889, 1909

**Burton Music Centre Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in the 1980s/1990s

**Burton Pidsea Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1864, and in the 1890s and 1900s. Probably folded prior to or during WW1.

**Burton Pynsent Brass Band** - Curry Rivel, Somerset

Active in 1872. Possibly the same as Curry Rivel Brass Band

**Burton Silver Prize Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Formed around 1897 by Harry Reynolds. Competed at Tamworth Castle in 1907, Crystal Palace in 1908, took sixth prize at the Derby Festival on 22 August 1912, and first prizes at Moira in 1913 and 1914. It also gained second prize at the Crystal Palace Preliminary Shield Championships around that time. Further Crystal Palace appearances were made in 1921 (sixth prize in the third section), 1923 (fourth prize in the second section, playing Mendelssohn's Ruy Blas against 26 other bands), and again in 1931. It broadcast on BBC Radio in May 1935 to great acclaim. The conductor was H.A. Reynolds. The band folded at the outbreak of the Second World War.

**Burton Stather Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1865 to 1867

**Burton Town Silver Prize Band**

See: *Burton Silver Prize Band*

**Burton Victoria Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1899

**Burton-on-Trent Band**

See: *Burton Brass Band*

**Burtonwood Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Burwarton Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1888

**Burwash Brass Band** - Sussex

Musical director at one time was Anthony Spurgin, well known for his musical compositions for brass band and orchestra.

**Burwash Common Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s

**Burwell Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1850. After 1918 it was intermittently revived into the 1990s as the Excelsior Band

**Burwell Excelsior Band**

See: *Burwell Brass Band*

**Bury Borough Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1848, took 4th prize at the first Bellevue contest in 1853. Folded during or prior to WW1.

**Bury Brass Band**

See: *Ainsworth Brass Band*

**Bury Fire Brigade Band**

See: *Bury Public Silver Band*

**Bury Lane Brass Band** - Glazebury, Lancashire

Active in 1857 to 1865

**Bury Old Original Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1884, bandmaster Abner Settle

**Bury Police Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1908

**Bury Public Silver Band** - Lancashire

Formed as Heap Bridge Brass Band in 1877 by members of Heap Bridge United Methodist Church, in 1881 became connected with the firm of Messrs. B. and G. Wrigley, woollen manufacturers. Began contesting that year and during the period to 1888 had won 14 prizes. A new set of instruments, value £400 and uniforms £120 were purchased in 1882. Known as 1st Volunteer Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers Band (later the Band of the Territorial Army 5th Battalion) between 1891 and 1918. After the war, they reverted to the title of Heap Bridge Brass Band. Became Bury Fire Brigade Band in 1939, and reformed in January 1946 as Bury Public Silver Band. Still active in 1956. Records of the band, from 1885-1914, are held at Bury Archive Service

**Bury Silver Band**

See: *Bury Public Silver Band*

**Bury St Edmunds British Legion Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1970s

**Bury United Mission Brass Band** - Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk

Active in 1893

**Bushbury Hill and District Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1904

**Bushey Station Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1905

**Bushley Amateur Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Bushley Brass Band*

**Bushley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1865 to 1875

**Busk 9th Boys Brigade Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chadderton Band*

**Busk Congregational Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chadderton Band*

**Buslingthorpe Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1856

**Buslingthorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855. Had been tutored by William Hesling

**Busman's Band**

See: *Yorkshire Transport Band*

**Bute Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1889

**Butleigh and Glastonbury Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1850s to 1858

**Butleigh Brass Band (1) - Somerset**

Active in 1864, conductor G. Millard

**Butleigh Brass Band (2) - Somerset**

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1930s. Conductor Mr Turner in 1903. H.

Dunkerton secretary in 1905

**Buttercrambe Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1862, 1863

**Butterfield's Tank Works Band**

Formed in the late 1930s at the W.P. Butterfield Tank Works, Shipley. Active through to the late 1950s

**Butterfly Colliery Ambulance Band - Alfreton, Derbyshire**

Merged with Codnor Old Prize Band at some point.

**Butterknowle Brass Band - Durham**

Formed in the 1880s, active through to the early 1950s. Conductor J. Teasdale in 1902

**Butterknowle Colliery Band**

See: *Butterknowle Brass Band*

**Butterley Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1870

**Butterley Colliery Ambulance Band - Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1930s to 1940s

**Buttershaw Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Buttershaw Mills Band*

**Buttershaw Mills Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the early 1860s into the 1870s. The Mill was located in Buttershaw and was built by the Bottomley Brothers in the 1850s. It advertised for a new conductor in 1865, to lead and teach the band, noting that a "wool sorter or warpdresser would be preferred as he will be required to work at the place". Conductor Mr Jackson in 1869

**Butterworth Brass Band**

See: *Milnrow Brass Band*

**Butterworth's Vale Brassworks Band - Rochdale, Lancashire**

Active in 1918

**Buxted and Warbleton Band - Sussex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Warbleton & Buxted Band*

**Buxted Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in 1861 to 1868

**Buxted Silver Prize Band - Sussex**

Formed 1912 as Buxted Wesleyan Band. Merged with Warbleton Brass and Reed Band in 1952 to form Warbleton & Buxted Band.

**Buxted Wesleyan Band**

See: *Buxted Silver Prize Band*

**Buxton Borough Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s/30s. Disbanded after the Second World War

**Buxton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1850s through to WW1

**Buxton Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1860s

**Buxton British Legion Band** - Derbyshire

Formed after the Great War and practiced in the Peak Buildings, Buxton. It flourished between the wars, but struggled during and after WW2 and finally folded around 1948/49.

**Buxton Town Band**

See: *Buxton Borough Band*

**Bwll-du Brass Band** - Nant-y-glo, Monmouthshire

Active in 1854

**Byers Green Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s through 1880s and between 1919 and 1922. Probably later linked to Byers Green Colliery, run by Bolckow, Vaughan and Co.

**Byfield Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1887, W.H. Potter conductor. Still active in 1901

**Byfield Jubilee Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1894

**C.E.F.A. Boys Band**

See: *Halifax C.E.F.A. Band*

**C.E.T. Band** - Hexham,

Active in 1909

**C.I. Group Brass** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**C.V.F. Harold Memorial Band**

See: *Christian Volunteer Force Harold Memorial Band*

**C.W.A. Brass**

Formed in 1994 by the merger of Carrick Whitehouse Silver (CWS) Band and Agnes Street Band. Further merged with the Ashgrove Band in 2009 to form Carrick With Ashgrove Brass

**C.W.S. (Manchester) Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Formed in 1900 as the CWS Tobacco Factory Band, changed to CWS (Manchester) Band in 1937. It became the City of Manchester Band in 1985, finally disbanding in 1993. A group of workers from the CWS Tobacco Factory in Manchester got together to form a band in 1900, one which quickly made a name for itself on the concert and contest circuit. In September 1901 Mr J C Cragg, the manager of the CWS tobacco factory, built the ad hoc band of his employees, stumped up £300 for some second hand instruments and made himself bandmaster. In 1931 the old Tobacco Band, conducted by J. A. Greenwood was awarded first prize at the Grand Shield Competition at the Crystal Palace. In 1946 the directors of the CWS changed its name to the CWS (Manchester) Band. In 1947 Fred Roberts from Brighouse and Rastrick was offered the position of Bandmaster alongside their new professional conductor Eric Ball. In December 1947, at the age of seventeen, Derek Garside was invited from Brighouse and Rastrick to be the Principal Cornet at CWS - a position he was to hold with distinction for the next 25 years. The first major



success the new band had was at the British Open Championships at Belle Vue in 1948. In the Centenary British Open Championships of 1952 under the baton of Eric Ball, they were awarded the title of British Open Champions for the second time playing the Henry Geehl test piece 'Scena Sinfonica'. Alex Mortimer was appointed as Musical Director in 1954. Between 1947 and 1970 they took part in the British Open Championships in the Kings Hall, Belle Vue on 18 occasions and won it 4 times and were placed on 12 occasions. They took part in the Daily Herald National Brass Band Finals in London practically every year following their contest successes as North West Area Champions in 1955, 1957, 1958, 1960, 1961 and 1962, which saw them crowned champions for the sixth time in eight years, also registering the area's first senior class of hat trick wins. With the exception of 1961 when they were led to victory by their bandmaster Tom White, they were conducted by Alex Mortimer. In addition they were runners-up at six area championship contests and placed sixth in 1970 in the World Championships. Prior to competing in the 1962 National Finals they had already collected 5 second prizes and 3 third prizes in twelve appearances at the senior finals. In the eight Edinburgh International Festival contests the band entered, they took 4 first prizes, 4 second prizes and, with the exception of 1953 when they were conducted by Jack Atherton, they were conducted by Eric Ball (1949/50/51/52) and Alex Mortimer (1954/55/56). The band took part in the National Festival Concert at the Royal Albert Hall in 1955, 1957, 1958, 1960, 1961, 1968 and 1969. The band finally achieved their long awaited crowning glory on Saturday, 20th October 1962 when they won the Daily Herald National Brass Band Championships at the Royal Albert Hall with Musical Director, Alex Mortimer, playing Frank Wright's arrangement of Verdi's 'Force of Destiny'. A performance which is still talked about today - forty years on? An achievement they went on to repeat the following year in 1963 playing 'Belmont Variations' by Sir Arthur Bliss. The band toured throughout the United Kingdom and went on numerous continental tours, including Canada in June/July 1972 with Fairey Aviation Band, Black Dyke Mills Band and G.U.S. (Footwear) Band. Owing to Alex Mortimer's continuing ill health he was unable to go on this tour which meant Derek Garside the band's Resident Conductor then became Musical Director and took charge of the band on that tour. A few months prior to Derek's appointment the band had once again qualified for the national finals under the direction of what was to be Alex Mortimer's last appearance on stage at an area contest. Although Derek led the band through that summer it was 'Mort' who had found sufficient strength and determination to lead them for just one more time at the Royal Albert Hall playing Eric Ball's test piece 'A Kensington Overture' off number three but the results showed that it was not to be their year. In 1973 Derek led the band to qualification at the North West Area contest, ensuring they took part in the national finals once again. This was a memorable occasion for Derek on what was his first appearance at the Royal Albert Hall as Musical Director, leading them to second place behind B and R. Under Derek's direction the band did well and was awarded first place in both 1975 and again in 1976 at the North West Area Finals - Derek had announced in advance of this performance that he would be leaving the band after the London finals. He was followed by Trevor Walmsley DFC as the last full time Musical Director of the band, followed by Frank Renton with Stan Whiteman as the Resident Bandmaster. Shortly before Frank arrived to take up the reins Maurice Handford the former Principal Horn player from the Halle Orchestra and Orchestral conductor took them for a short while. On Sunday, 3rd April 1977, at the Preston Guild Hall, conducted by Trevor Walmsley DFC the band could only

manage third place at the North West Area Contest, which ended a run of twenty four successive appearances at the national finals in London. In 1985 the C.W.S. Board of Directors decided that a brass band was not the image the Co-op wished to promote in the future and made the decision the band would cease to exist - for the record the last appearance of the band was at Dobcross Band Club on 31 March 1985, following which all instruments, music and uniforms were handed back to the company. Much of the band memorabilia is still stored in CWS'sý New Century House, Manchester (including the library of music). Manchester City Council then took over the band which was renamed The City of Manchester Band, which finally folded in March 1993.

**C.W.S. Tobacco Factory Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *C.W.S. (Manchester) Band*

**Cabin End Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1853.

**Cable and Wireless Band** - London

Formed in 1940, originally for boy messengers, but included girl messengers during the War. In 1947 there were "7 lady members" of the band. Still active in the late 1960s.

**Cable and Wireless Messengers' Band**

See: *Cable and Wireless Band*

**Cadbury Bournville Works Band**

See: *Bournville Silver Band*

**Cader Idris Brass Band** - Dolgellau, Merioneth

Active in 1854 to 1863

**Cadfan and District Band**

Active in 1948

**Cadfan Silver Band**

Refused the right to bear the title "Royal" in 1934

**Cadgwith and Ruan Minor Brass Band**

See: *Grade and Ruan Minor Brass Band*

**Cadishead Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cadishead Public Band*

**Cadishead Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1899

**Cadishead Congregational Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cadishead Public Band*

**Cadishead Public Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1877 - Former names: Cadishead Brass Band, Cadishead Congregational Brass Band (1890s), Cadishead Brass Band

**Cadishead Wesleyan Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1886

**Cadland Brass Band** - near Calshot, Hampshire

Active in 1860 to 1869. Cadland House and estate was the home of A.R. and Lady Elizabeth Drummond, who formed a brass band from the ploughmen who worked for them, conducted by D. Crook.

**Cadnam Village Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1920s

**Cadoxton Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Cadwgan Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1895 and the 1930s

**Caerau Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s. Another report gives the band disbanding in 1906

**Caergwrle Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1891 and 1895, and in the 1920s

**Caerhun Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1865

**Caerleon Industrial Schools Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1880s through to the closure of the school. The school was open in Caerleon from 1859 to 1902, the musical reputation of the school in Caerleon and in Newport was high. In 1878 there were 24 boys in the regular band who could "play moderately difficult music at sight besides a number of learners coming in". the headmaster, Harding's salary was increased in 1885 on account of the extra tuition given by him in drill to the band. He was also given permission to hold a concert in support of the band funds. The services of the band were in much demand locally, in 1880 the Caerleon Cricket and Football Club requested the presence of the band at their annual sports. A similar request came in 1887 from the organizers of the Caerleon Flower Show, and in 1888 the band proudly accompanied the demonstration of the Sunday Schools Union in Newport on the Whitsun Monday. In June 1884 the Mayor of Newport, accompanied by Captain Thurston and Lieutenant Jones of the 3rd Welsh Regiment, heard the band. Their opinion was that "The boys' band is one of the best I have heard for a very long time and they are a credit to the Guardians".

**Caernarfon Amateur Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1877

**Caernarfon Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1860s

**Caernarfon Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1920s/1930s

**Caerphilly Brass Band (1)** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1837 as a brass and reed band, converted to all-brass in 1854. Folded prior to a successor band forming in 1877.

**Caerphilly Brass Band (2)** - Glamorgan

Formed in 1877, bandmaster Joseph Burrows. Still active in 1907

**Caerphilly Town Band**

See: *Caerphilly Brass Band (2)*

**Caerwent Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1940

**Caerwys Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s

**Cafferata's Brass Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1910 - linked to Cafferata and Company in Newark-on-Trent, which made bricks and plaster.

**Cafferata's United Band**

See: *Cafferata's Brass Band*

**Cainscross Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in 1906

**Cairnie Colliery Band**

Active in 1862 - Took part in a gala procession in Musselburgh on July 17th

**Caistor Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1844 and the 1850s

**Caistor Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

See: *Caistor Amateur Brass Band*

**Caistor Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1875, still active in 1925

**Caithness Artillery Brass Band** - Caithness

Active in 1893, conductor George Bruce

**Caldbeck Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1850 to 1867

**Calder Brass Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Calder Vale Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed shortly before July 1862 (though there is a report of a Calder Vale Brass Band in 1857). In 1878 the conductor was William Hardman. It disbanded in the late 1880s and reformed in 1914. Probably renamed Calder Vale Subscription Band some time thereafter. It was still active in 1951 when they competed in the 4th section North West regional championships at the Victoria Hall, Bolton. Reported engagements included: Foresters concert in January 1864, Calder Vale, June 1876, At Woodplumpton, for the Druids, May 1877. Calder Vale, June 1878. Calder Vale Club Day, May 1880. Myerscough Club Day, May 1883. Churchtown and Garstang, May 1884. Calder Vale, June 1884. Garstang, May 1885. Whit Walks at Preston for the Catholic Guilds, May 1915. Garstang Peace Celebrations, August 1919. Garstang and District Agricultural Show, August 1919. Claughton Field Day and Peace Celebrations, August 1919. Whit Walks at Preston, May 1921. Whit Walks at Preston, June 1922. Calder Vale Band and Football Club, 1st Annual Ball at the Assembly Rooms, January 1929. Whit Walks at Preston, May 1929.

**Calder Vale Foresters' Club Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in January 1862

**Calder Vale Subscription Band**

See: *Calder Vale Brass Band*

**Caldew Vale Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active in 1914 and through to the 1930s

**Caldewgate Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active in 1860, first public appearance in March 1860

**Caledonian Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Chattaway. It rehearsed at the Norfolk Arms Inn, "Charlotte Street, Caledonian Road" on Tuesdays (actually Leigh Street?).

**Caledonian Instrumental Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in 1862

**Caledonian School Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1866

**Calfaria Clydach Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1910s, re-organised in 1916 following the closure of Clydach Merthyr Colliery, but disbanded the following year in 1917

**California Works Band** - Gomersal, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Callander and District Brass Band** - Perthshire

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**Callender's Cable Works Band** - Erith, Kent

Formed in 1898 as the Belvedere Baptist Temperance Band. This arose when some members of the Belvedere Salvation Army Band were given an ultimatum to cease playing their favourite march "Now or Never", which was a secular piece, or leave. They left and formed the Baptist Band, with J. Maycock as Bandmaster. They soon amalgamated with the Belvedere Military Band and were then renamed the Belvedere Excelsior Band, still with Maycock as bandmaster and E.H. Alder as conductor. In 1907 the entire membership was working for Callender's and they sought and won sponsorship from the company. The band was at its height in the 1920s with three second places in the National Championships and the British Open, together with several recordings and many broadcasts which maintained the high profile of the band through the Second World War. When Callender's Cable and Construction Company merged with British Insulated Cables in 1945 to form British Insulated Callender's Cables, the band became the BICC Band. The band was still honouring commitments to play for the BBC in December 1960 when the following month BICC decided to close down the band. When it disbanded, its library was purchased by the current Haydock Band, the players retained their instruments and the bandroom at the works was eventually bulldozed to the ground.

**Callington Brass Band** - Cornwall

See: *Callington Town Band (1)*

**Callington Town Band (1)** - Cornwall

Active in the 1850s, first recorded appearance in 1859 leading a procession at the Philanthropic Society's Festival. In 1886 the Band played at the opening of the first reservoir at Ashburton Farm, Florence Road. Bandmaster J.W. Ridson in 1891. In July 1892 the Band provided the music on a steamer trip from Calstock with the Cricket Club. In 1895 the Band led the Church Parade of the Foresters, Oddfellows and Rechabites. In 1902 they played when Lord Compton unveiled a fountain in the wall of the Primary School. In 1911 they played at the celebrations in the town to mark the Coronation of King George the Fifth. In 1912 they played at the opening of the New Market Hall and Fountain. In 1913 they played at Callington Cricket Club Annual Fete (conducted by Mr J Taylor) and for Carnival Day and Bonfire Night. In 1914 they played in the afternoon and evening at a Boy Scouts Grand Fete at Haye, and a Band of Hope Fete at St Ive. In 1921 the Band played at the Callington Show, conducted by Mr G Buzza. In 1923 the Band headed the procession for the Town Fete and Show. They also appeared at Pensilva Festival, a Picnic at Castleleigh, Callington Hospital Fete, and the Cricket and Football Clubs' Sports Day, conducted by Mr James Jago. Mr Jago conducted the Band until 1932, when he retired. The band probably disbanded in 1933 as no further records of it appear. A successor band was formed in 1996.

**Callington Town Band (2)** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**Calne Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1854 to 1869. A successor band was formed in the 1880s

**Calne Liberal Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Calne Silver Band*

**Calne Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1880s - Former names: Calne Liberal Band, Calne Town Band (1925-1946), Calne Town Prize Band

**Calne Town Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Calne Silver Band*

**Calne Town Prize Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Calne Silver Band*

**Calstock Band** - Cornwall

The Calstock Band was playing publically from c1858 to the late 1920's. There engagements were of a very local nature and in 1887, as a reward for playing at the Calstock celebrations of Queen Victoria's Jubilee, they were given £4 and a free tea! The man who conducted them from 1920 to 1925 was known as "Old Bob Presron" and seems to have been looked upon with great affection both by band and public.

**Calverley and Greengates Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Calverley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s through to the 1890s. Conductor J. Wheatley in 1873. Named Calverley Prize Band by 1877.

**Calverley Town Brass Band** - Tunbridge Wells, Kent

Active in 1864

**Calvert Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1902, bandmaster T. Holton. James Haynes conductor in 1908-1914. The band was still active in 1919

**Calvert Brickworks Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1850s through to the 1900s. Conductor T. Holton in 1905

**Calverton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1850s, conductor S. Morley. In 1878 the band played at the Calverton and District Floral and Horticultural Show on July 22nd. Conducted by Mr Morley, its concert programme was: Sympathy (R. Smith), Defence (J. Frost), Cavatina (Bellini), The Sea Lion (J. Wright), Rose of Love (R. Smith), Golden Sunbeam (H. Round), Killarney (T. Haigh), We Don't Want to Fight (J. Metcalf), Queen's Prize (H. Round), Every Land's My Home (Blair). The Band probably folded prior to 1914. From the Newark Advertiser, May 28 1902 - "The annual club feast in connection with members of the Ancient Order of Druids was held on Thursday last. The members marched in procession to the parish church, headed by the Calverton Brass Band"

**Calverton Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in the late 1940s, early 1950s, with instruments provided by the Miners Welfare Organisation. Won the third section in the Eighth Mineworkers' National Brass Band Contest at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool, in 1969. Disbanded in the early 1990s following the closure of the colliery.

**Camberley and District Silver Band** - Surrey

[current band]

**Camberley Silver Band** - Surrey

[current band]

- Camberwell Borough Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1920s through 1940s
- Camberwell Brass Band** - Surrey  
Founded in 1908, bandmaster T. Wood
- Camberwell Club Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1900
- Camberwell Free Salvationists Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1902
- Camberwell Silver Band** - Surrey  
Formed in 1919, conductor W. Harrild, with remaining members of the pre-war Camberwell Temperance Band. Still active in the early 1960s.
- Camberwell Temperance Silver Band** - Surrey  
Active in the early 1900s through to WW1
- Cambois Colliery Band** - Northumberland  
Formed in the early 1900s and lasted until the 1960s
- Cambois Workmen's Band**  
See: *Cambois Colliery Band*
- Camborne Town Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1841 - Note: Reformed 1896
- Cambridge Albert Institute Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1885, bandmaster Joseph William Coulson
- Cambridge Albion Band (1)** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1894
- Cambridge Albion Band (2)** - Cambridgeshire  
Formed on November 18th 1921, at a meeting held at 17 Abbey Street, Cambridge. Those present were: D. Brown, Mr R.E. Austin (bandmaster), Mr D.J. Brown, Mr C. J. Brown, Mr H. Holder, Mr. F. Green, Mr. J. Barrett, Mr. H. Brown. It merged with the Cambridge Town Band in 1927, to form the Cambridge Town Silver Band. A report of the time states: "They proposed to buy a set of new triple silver-plated instruments made by Messrs Hawkes, London, with the now famous "Profundo" basses as played by the St Hilda Colliery Band. This would greatly improve the tonal qualities of the band; there was not another band in the Eastern counties with such instruments" For more details and information from the band's record books, See: "Cambridge Albion Silver Band Records" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)
- Cambridge Amateur Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1866, conductor G. Jackson
- Cambridge Band** - Cambridgeshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cambridge Brass Band*
- Cambridge Band of the British Legion** - Cambridgeshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cambridge Brass Band*
- Cambridge Borough Police Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1904
- Cambridge Co-operative Band** - Cambridgeshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cambridge Brass Band*
- Cambridge Excelsior Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1868

**Cambridge People's Mission Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Mr Coe in 1908

**Cambridge Railway Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1920s/1930s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s.

Took part in a contest in Cambridge Guildhall in 1925 which it won to great excitement.

“There was a furore of applause from the large audience present, and the bandsmen themselves momentarily lost their heads in their enthusiasm. The dignity of the large hall, which had rung for well nigh two hours with the blare of brass instruments was quite forgotten. Hats were thrown high into the air and trombones and cornets waved to delighted friends among the audience.”

**Cambridge Railway Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Cambridge Railway Band*

**Cambridge Silver Prize Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1945

**Cambridge Town Band** - Cambridgeshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cambridge Brass Band*

**Cambridge Town Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the early 1900s, A. Austin conductor in 1903, H. Wilson in 1906. Merged with the Cambridge Albion Band in 1927, to form the Cambridge Silver Band.

**Cambridge University Brass Band (1)** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1867, 1868

**Cambridge University Brass Band (2)** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Cambridge University Press Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1853. Formed from the men who worked at the press.

**Cambridge University Volunteer Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active around 1885-92. G.H. Kirkup played the baritone during that period. Still active in 1906

**Cambusbarron Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed 1882, could not contest for the first five years due to lack of proper instruments.

In 1886 a subscription sale on Art Union principles realised £190 which enabled them to purchase the necessary instruments. Still active in the 1900s, presumed to have folded by WW1.

**Cambusland Old Band**

See: *Cambuslang Brass Band*

**Cambuslang and District Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1930s

**Cambuslang Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the mid-1868 to the 1890s

**Cambuslang Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1891

**Cambuslang Trades Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Cambusnethan Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Formed in 1870 and, up to 1886 when it amalgamated with Newmains Band (forming Newmains and Cambusnethan Band), it had attended 18 contests netting 13 prizes worth £125 10s.



**Cambusnethan Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor E. Murdoch

**Cambusnethan Templar Band**

See: *Cambusnethan Temperance Band*

**Camden Borough Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1905, conductor Mr Argent

**Camden Boys Home Band** - Middlesex

The boys home in Regents Park Road, Camden, which was operating from the 1860s to the early 1900s, had a brass band. "... but the most exciting occupation of the boys was playing in the band. By all accounts it was an excellent band and it was a fine sight to see them going over Primrose Hill on Wednesday afternoons....From the prospectus we learn that twenty-five performers with their bandmaster could be engaged for afternoon garden parties, athletic sports and school treats at a charge of three guineas. They were hired for several sessions by the London County Council and the Zoo." It was still active in 1911

**Camden London and North Western Railway Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1900, conductor W.T. Jackson

**Camden Sons of Phoenix Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s through to the 1920s. Became Camden Unity Brass Band in 1902

**Camden Street Wesleyan Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1904, conductor J. Punglove

**Camden Unity Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Camden Sons of Phoenix Band*

**Camelford Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band]

**Camelon Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

It was formed in 1832 as a more sophisticated form of a Flute Band which had been formed in 1830 mainly at the instigation of Robert Smith. The Smiths had a long and distinguished association with the Band. The father maintained his connection for forty years and his son Robert was leader of the Band for about forty years and was closely connected with it for over fifty. On Friday 10th November 1907 a presentation was made in The Victoria Inn when Robert Smith was presented with a long service gold medal and a gold albert to mark his 52 years with the Band. In the Falkirk Mail of 16th November a poem appeared entitled "Auld Camelon Band", of which the first verse is: "There's Auld Camelon Band they're aye tae the fore; They started wi' flutes in the year'34, If you had only heard them their music you'd adore, ~ For always their number was less than a score, their auld flutes ha'e been turned into brass~ Three cheers tae the friends that gave them the cash, For we've all joined together to gi'e them a hand, and try and make good members tae the auld Camelon Band." The original founder had four sons all of whom played in the Band despite the fact only one of them, presumably Robert, could read music, he whistled the tunes and the others picked them up from this. Each of the sons had nicknames which were "Whip," "Radical," "Bit' and "8oosey." The latter name did not derive from an addiction to strong drink, but from the owner's predilection for musical instruments made by the famous London manufacturer of instruments of that name. In the programme for a Bazaar held at the beginning of the century to raise funds for the Band there is a brief sketch of the Band's history from which the following is an extract. "The chief industry of the village at that time was

Nailmaking, and the Nailers, whatever other virtues and vices they possessed, could not be accused of closefistedness. To a man they assisted their musical brethren to accomplish their purpose. Out of their comparatively slender earnings they contributed so liberally that in a short time the Band was furnished with all the instruments then considered necessary, namely, Keyed Bugles, French Horns, Trumpets, Trombones, Ophicleide, and a bass instrument called "The Serpent." All these instruments, if we except the Trombone, are now obsolete." The band was still active in 1913, and also in 1928, conducted by George Smith. Possibly folded in the early 1950s. A breakaway band was formed in the early 1890s by Charlie Wright, called the Wright Memorial Band.

#### **Cameron Ironworks Band**

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

#### **Camerons Silver Prize Band**

See: *Whitworth Brass Band*

#### **Camerton and Clifton Band - Workington, Cumberland**

[no information]

#### **Cammell Laird Band - Birkenhead, Cheshire**

Formed 1957, disbanded 1972. Originally conducted by Rex Mortimer, then James Scott, it gained success in contests through the 1960s, but was abruptly disbanded by the company in 1972. Tim Mutum recorded: The Cammell Laird Works Band was originally a combination of brass and reed. It was based in Birkenhead and all the players were employed by the ship building and ship repairing company of that name. Not surprisingly, it was formed to provide music for what is always the proudest moment of a shipyard's life, the launching of a newly built vessel. The band dates from 1957 but whether that was the year of its formation or when it went all brass is not clear. However, in 1958 Rex Mortimer became musical director in addition to his main role with Fodens Band. In that year they entered their first competition, at Blackpool, and were placed a respectable seventh. In 1959 the band secured the Fourth Section North West title, going on to win the National title itself in London. The start of a remarkable ascent to the very top echelons of British banding had begun. In 1960 James Scott, then principal cornetist at Munn and Felton's Band, was appointed bandmaster. James was at the peak of his playing career so this appointment was surprising. James says that he felt the time was right. In the spring of 1960 a letter arrived from the managing director of Cammell Laird asking if he would be interested in moving to become the musical director of the band. After a great deal of thought - it was a gamble with no guarantee of success - he decided to take the plunge, as his desire to conduct had to be met at some stage. He moved back north where he began what was to become a successful conducting career and, at the same time, gained valuable experience as a trumpet player with the major northern symphony orchestras. The first few months were not the success James Scott had hoped. The band was in the Third Section when he first joined them as bandmaster and Rex Mortimer was still professional conductor - James still thinks of it as his apprenticeship into the world of conducting. Rex stayed a couple years and then it was left to James and gradually they began to improve. In 1961 the band won both the Second Section North West Area and repeated their 1959 success by winning the National title in London too. Within four years the band had reached the Championship Section. James Scott attributed the success that followed to the fact that the membership of the band remained stable throughout the mid 1960s, with the exception of a couple of policemen who moved on through their police work. The band was a team. The band

won the Championship Section North West Area for the first time in 1964 and James Scott led them to their first appearance in the National Finals later that year. Drawn 24th and last band to play on Gilbert Vinter's 'Variations on a Ninth' they played far beyond their expectations and took 4th place. A year later, they repeated their North West victory, going onto London where they were runners-up behind Fairey. Further visits to the National Championships in London followed, as the band added two further runner up placings in Blackpool plus a third in subsequent years. In 1966 they were again placed fourth, and although they failed to gain a place in the 1967 and did not qualify in 1968, in 1969 James Scott led them to sixth place. The band's final visit to the Royal Albert Hall was in 1970 after they won the North West Area for a third and final time. Despite the diluted field of rivals due to the World Championships, the band could not finish in the prizes. It was their last appearance at a major contest. The band's appearances at the British Open started in 1962 and ended in 1966 without them ever getting a mention in the prizes. By the early 1970s shipbuilding was in decline and the band's future became uncertain. In April 1972 it was tersely announced that the band had been closed down, the instruments and uniforms called in and future engagements cancelled. A few years later James Scott had this to say, "The firm didn't realise what they'd got - they were Philistines. Shipbuilding began to decline and they finished the band - said they couldn't afford to run it. It was very sad".

#### **Cammell Laird Shipbuilding and Engineering Band**

See: *Cammell Laird Band*

#### **Campbeltown Brass - Argyllshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1983

#### **Campden Amateur Band**

See: *Campden Town Band*

#### **Campden Brass Band - Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1853

#### **Campden Town Band - Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire**

James Walter (Jim) Pymment was the Foreman of the Guild of Handicraft Woodworking Shop and a good organiser. The Town Band in Campden was formed earlier than 1862, when there is a record of it playing for a wedding. The Guild arrived in 1902, and Jim Pymment took over the leadership of the Band in 1903, using the School of Arts and Crafts lecture hall at Elm Tree House for practices and being warmly thanked in the end of Session reports for his attention and assistance. There is a photo of the band larking about in the garden of Elm Tree House at band practice. The Town Band was awarded First Prize for brass bands at the Madresfield Musical Competition in May, 1904. At the annual dinner in July, it was reported that an instrument fund was established and that monies gained from playing about the town most Saturdays was being collected to enable the Band to go to hear a Band contest at Crystal Palace in September. In 1905 the bandsmen were outfitted in new military style uniforms. The band continued into the 1920/30's, even though the musicians were not all Campdonians. It probably disbanded towards the end of the 1930s. Bandsmen in 1904 were: James Walter (Jimmy) Pymment (Band leader, Senior Guildsman, since 1894, Foreman of the Wood shop); Charley Downer (Guildsman since 1898, Metal Worker and blacksmith); Bill Thornton (Guildsman since 1894, Metal Worker and blacksmith); Arthur Pymment (son of Jim Pymment); Algernon Hathaway (Morris man, killed in 1915 at Dardanelles); Fred Hathaway (Morris man, elder brother of Algernon); Dennis Hathaway (leader of Morris

men, eldest brother of Fred and Algernon); Bill Aston; Charley Aston; Frank Bennett; Fred Bennett (Stonemason); Noah Bennett; Jacky Webb; Charley Grove; Bill Harris; Fred Taylor; Gran Huckfield; Arthur Ernest Bunten (Guildsman since 1902, cabinet maker, played the lead cornet, half-brother of Jim Pymment); Charley Veale. List of some activities of the Campden Brass Band between 1862 and 1902, from the Evesham Journal:

Oddfellows dinner (28-6-1862); Wedding (30-8-1862); Britannia Club Day (10-6-1865); OddFellows Day (24-6-1865); Britannia Club Day (26-5-1866); Britannia Club Day (15-6-1867); OddFellows Day (29-6-1867); Pic-Nic, Westington (31-8-1867); Britannia Club Day (13-6-1868); Oddfellows Day (11-7-1868); Annual Fete and Pic-Nic (11-7-1868); Penny Reading (13-2-1869); Gas Company Dinner (5-2-1870); Britannia Club Day (11-6-1870); Oddfellows Club Day (18-6-1870); Church Bazaar (6-8-1870); Spring Races (11-2-1871); Britannia Club Day (3-6-1871); Britannia Club Day (7-6-1873); Oddfellows Club Day (14-6-1873); Britannia Club Day (30-5-1874); Britannia Club Day (22-5-1875); Oddfellows Club Day (29-5-1875); Horticultural Show (11-9-1875); Britannia Club Day (10-6-1876); Oddfellows Club Day (17-6-1876); Jubilee Celebrations/ (25-6-1887); OddFellows Club Day (2-7-1887); Britannia Club Day (26-5-1888); Pic-Nic, Court House Grounds (2-6-1888); Sunday School Treat (28-7-1888); Corpus Christi Procession (29-6-1889); Britannia Club Day (31-5-1890); RC Church Opening (28-6-1890); Sunday School Treat (9-8-1890); Stroud Society Club Day (18-6-1892); Royal Wedding Celebration (8-7-1893); Corpus Christi Procession (2-6-1894); Sunday School Festival (25-8-1894); Stroud Society Club Day (15-6-1895); Sunday School Treat (23-5-1896); Friendly Societies Procession (25-7-1896); Sunday School Treat (21-8-1897); Sunday School Treat (5-8-1899); Benefit Nursing Association (16-9-1899); Stroud Society Club Day (16/06/1900); Baptist Sunday School Treat (14/07/1900); To Meet Returning Reservists (24/11/1900); Stroud Society Club Day (08/06/1901); Sunday School Treat (10/08/1901); Sunday School Treat (23/08/1902). The Campden Town Band continued in existence, but not quite continuously, until the 1950's. In 1930's it was called the Campden Town Prize Silver Band. It may have been linked to the North Cotswolds Volunteers in its earliest days.

### **Camperdown Brass Band**

See: *Camperdown Linen Works Band*

### **Camperdown Jute Works Band**

See: *Camperdown Linen Works Band*

### **Camperdown Linen Works Band** - Lochee, Dundee, Angus

Active in the 1870s and 1880. It was re-organised in 1881, with a new committee and renamed the Lochee Operative Brass Band, with A. Johnston as the conductor. It seems to have reverted to Camperdown Brass Band by 1885 but was also known as Lochee Brass Band. Still active in the early 1900s. The Camperdown Works at one point employed almost 6,000 workers and was, for a time, the world's largest jute works.

### **Campsie Brass Band** - Lennoxton, Stirlingshire

Active from 1858 through to the 1890s

### **Canal Ironworks Brass Band** - Shipley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active before WW1 and through to the 1940s.

### **Canal Street Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active in the late 1870s

### **Candlish's Bottle Works Band**

See: *Seaham Harbour Bottle Works Band*

- Canklow Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1901 to the 1910s. Became Rotherham Main Colliery Band in 1906, conductor W. Wilson. Conductor in 1908 was William Lerigo and bandmaster, John Dowell.
- Cannard's Grave Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1926
- Cannington Brass Band (1)** - Somerset  
Active in the early 1900s and was disbanded in May 1930.
- Cannington Brass Band (2)** - Somerset  
Formed in 1947, conductor H. Burnell
- Cannock Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s through to early 1900s. Josiah Reeves was conductor in 1884, Charles Reeves in 1899. The band folded around 1906
- Cannock Chase Colliery Band**  
See: *Chasetown Brass Band*
- Cannock Mission Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the early 1900s
- Cannock St Luke's Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the early 1880s to the 1930s. Probably did not survive WW2.
- Canon's High School Band** - Edgware, Middlesex  
Active in 1974/5
- Canon's Marsh Gas Works Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in April 1864, when they gave a concert in the Broadmead Rooms
- Canterbury Brass Band** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1969
- Canterbury Brass Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1830s to the 1870s
- Canterbury City Band**  
See: *Canterbury Silver Band*
- Canterbury Silver Band** - Kent  
Formed in 1884. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Disbanded in WW2. A successor band was formed in 1969.
- Canterbury Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Kent  
Founded in 1865, with 22 members, instruments costing over £100, conductor Thomas Allen
- Cantium Brass** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Garlinge Wesleyan Mission Band, Garlinge Silver Band, Margate Silver Band (to 1998)
- Canton Parochial Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s, became Cardiff Brass Band in 1904
- Canvey Brass Band**  
See: *Canvey Subscription Band*
- Canvey Central and Youth Band**  
See: *Castle Point Brass*
- Canvey Subscription Band** - Essex  
Formed in 1934, through the generosity of a local farmer, Mr Chambers, who lent money for instruments and uniforms. Mr Mackay was the conductor, and an early engagement was the Canvey carnival of 1936. The outbreak of war in 1939 brought a halt to the band's

progress, but it reformed in 1946. The next few years saw a number of engagements, including an appearance with the Rayleigh Band at Fielders holiday camp, and a regular Sunday afternoon booking on the bandstand outside the Monico hotel on the Canvey seafront. Mr Mackay passed the baton to Bill Scott (euphonium), who would apparently get rather carried away with his conducting and break into song! The Canvey floods of 1953 brought a halt to the band's progress - music from the rehearsal room at the Green Glades Cafe was seen floating on the flood waters and band members (and instruments) were evacuated all over Essex.

**Canyngge Amateur Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1878

**Capel Village Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1920s/1930s

**Capesthorne Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1863

**Capperata's Brass Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1910

**Carberry and Wallyford Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1890s, re-organised in 1899 under Friend Farrand, still active in the early 1900s

**Carden Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1852 and 1854

**Cardiff Albion Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1909

**Cardiff Brass Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Canton Parochial Band*

**Cardiff City Tramways Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff Corporation Transport Band*

**Cardiff Corporation Tramways Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff Corporation Transport Band*

**Cardiff Corporation Transport Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the early 1900s through to the 1960s.

**Cardiff County Borough Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff Diamond Street Band*

**Cardiff Diamond Street Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s. Conductor J. Rickers (J. Reickert) in 1893. Became Cardiff County Borough Band in 1903

**Cardiff Excelsior Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1880s

**Cardiff Fleur-de-Lis Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s

**Cardiff Great Western Railway Good Depot Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff Great Western Railway Workers Band*

**Cardiff Great Western Railway Workers Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1901. Active through to the 1930s

**Cardiff Hall of Freedom Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s

- Cardiff Hibernian Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1862
- Cardiff Imperial Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1905
- Cardiff Mechanics Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1869 and 1892. Bandmaster David Moore in the early 1900s. Still active in 1910
- Cardiff Post Office Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1887 and 1904. Conductor I. Sampson in 1893
- Cardiff Recruiting Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1915
- Cardiff St Albans Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1900s to 1920s. Conductor Mr Howe in 1901, John Bond in 1903
- Cardiff St Saviour's Brass Band** - Splott, Glamorgan  
Active from the 1900s to the 1930s
- Cardiff Trains Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Cardiff Great Western Railway Workers Band*
- Cardiff Transport Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Cardiff Corporation Transport Band*
- Cardigan Town Band** - Cardiganshire  
See: *Aberteifi Town Band*
- Cardinal Newman School Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire  
Active in the 1980s
- Cardington and Cople Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
See: *Cardington Brass Band*
- Cardington Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Founded in early 1864 by the local schoolmaster. Conductor H.E. Havergal in 1866. Also known as Cople and Cardington Brass Band. Still active in 1867
- Cardynham Brass Band** - Cornwall  
This was a very "on/off" outfit that first appeared c1895, disbanded about 1898, reformed in 1909, disbanded again in 1928, reformed in 1930 but finally finished in 1933. A few contests were entered in 1914 under S Carne. It probably did not help matters when Bodmin Band, whilst attempting to form their band in 1927, invited the players of Cardynham to join them.
- Carfury Brass Band** - Cornwall  
This band was certainly functioning from 1911 to 1914, but more than that is not known at present.
- Cargo Fleet Ironworks Band**  
See: *Cargo Fleet Works Band*
- Cargo Fleet Steelworks Band**  
See: *Cargo Fleet Works Band*
- Cargo Fleet Works Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Formed in the early 1900s or 1910s by bandmaster E.R. Pritchard on the behest of the steelworks manager, Mr. G.A. Wilson and active through to the late 1970s
- Carharrack and St Day Temperance Silver Band** - Cornwall  
[previous name of current band] See: *Carharrack & St. Day Silver Band*

- Carharrack and St. Day Silver Band** - Cornwall  
 [current band] - Founded in 1912 - Former names: Carharrack Brass Band, Carharrack and St. Day Temperance Silver Band (1932),
- Carharrack Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall  
 Active in 1869
- Carharrack Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Carharrack & St. Day Silver Band*
- Carisbrooke Archery Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1841
- Carisbrooke Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1851
- Carleton Brass Band** - Carleton-in-Craven, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1870s through to the early 1900s. Conductor Mr Stamp in 1902. Acquired new uniforms in 1906, bandmaster Mr Bradley
- Carleton Brass Band** - Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire  
 Active in 1939
- Carlinghow Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the early 1900s
- Carlisle Albert Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in the 1850s
- Carlisle Artillery Volunteers Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in the 1860s through to the 1890s. Conductor W. Atkinson in 1895
- Carlisle Buffalo's Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Also known as Carlisle and District Buffalo's Band
- Carlisle Catholic Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1863
- Carlisle City Brass Band (1)** - Cumberland  
 Original band formed in the 1850s but disbanded and reformed several times up to WW1.
- Carlisle City Brass Band (2)** - Cumberland  
 Formed after WW2 and active into the 1960s.
- Carlisle Denton Hill Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1937
- Carlisle Harmonic Union Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1851
- Carlisle Mechanics Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1850
- Carlisle Police Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Founded in 1905
- Carlisle Rechabite Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1841
- Carlisle Reformatory Brass Band** - Stanwix, Cumberland  
 Active in 1858 to 18647, a band consisting of 21 of the juvenile inmates.
- Carlisle Rifle Volunteers Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in the 1890s to the 1900s. Conductor Felix Burns 1895-1906.



- Carlisle St Stephens Silver Band** - Cumberland  
[current band]
- Carlisle Temperance Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Formed in 1863, conductor Mr Stenton. The band was associated with the United Temperance Societies of Carlisle
- Carlsberg Tetley Brass Band**  
See: *Ind Coope Burton Brewery Brass Band*
- Carlton Amateur Brass Band** - Cleveland, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1878
- Carlton and District British Legion Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
See: *Carlton British Legion Band*
- Carlton Brass (Nottingham)** - Nottinghamshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Netherfield Railwayman's Silver Band, Carlton Silver (1950s), Nottingham City Transport Band (1988), New Carlton Silver Band (junior band), Carlton Brass (1998)
- Carlton Brass Band** - Kilburn, Middlesex  
Active in 1900, bandmaster Mr Wornell
- Carlton Britannia Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1882
- Carlton British Legion Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Carlton Foresters' Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1883, conductor A. Pounder
- Carlton Iron Works Brass Band** - Stillington, Durham  
Active in 1891
- Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: South Elmsall Village Band (to 1924)
- Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Frickley & South Elmsall Brass Band*
- Carlton Main Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Frickley & South Elmsall Brass Band*
- Carlton Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Carlton Brass (Nottingham)*
- Carlton Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Netherfield Railway Band*
- Carlton St Paul's Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1886
- Carlton Temperance Band** - near Rothwell, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
A newspaper report from around 1908: "Carlton Temperance Prize Band came into existence in 1895, starting with a mixed set of instruments. In the course of two or three years these were abandoned, a new set of Besson instruments being purchased. Soon after the band began to enter competitions. At Stanningley, in 1904, when ten bands competed, a third prize was gained. In 1905 a couple of firsts were annexed at Woodkirk. In 1906 the band faced twenty-one competitors at Ilkley. Here a fifth prize was won. Numerous other prizes then came its way, including a fourth prize at the Crystal Palace. The two succeeding years were most successful. Last year, when Mr. William Heap, who also conducts the Nazebottom Band, was appointed conductor, the "wins" included: At

Ilkley, second prize and diploma; Lofthouse, third prize; Castleford, two second prizes; Batley, first prize, cup, and four special prizes; Morley, first prize and cup, also second prize in a march contest; Lofthouse Park, first prize, also first prize in march contest. Mr. Alfred Newton is the bandmaster, and I have the authority of the secretary, Mr. Walter Speake, for saying that before playing in the Carlton Temperance Band every man has to be a staunch teetotaler, a restriction which, of course, in no way impairs, but on the contrary adds to, the general efficiency of the band. The majority of the players are colliers, being employed in the coal mines owned by Messrs. Charlesworth." Still active in the 1930s

**Carlton Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1883, conductor George Disney

**Carlisle Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from 1862 onward. Bandmaster in 1900 was John Somerville. The constitution and rules of the band, from 1911, are held in Glasgow City Archives. Still active up to WW2.

**Carlisle Instrumental Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Carlisle Brass Band*

**Carlisle Old Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Carlisle Brass Band*

**Carlisle Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Carlisle Brass Band*

**Carmarthen and District Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1990s

**Carmarthen Artillery Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor W.H. Larkin in 1901

**Carmarthen Brass Band (1)** - Carmarthenshire

Formed in 1854, and active through to the 1900s, when the instruments were held in trust by the town council.

**Carmarthen Brass Band (2)** - Carmarthenshire

Formed after WW1 and active into the 1920s

**Carmarthen Rifle Volunteers Band** - Carmarthenshire

Founded around 1875, conductor in 1882 R. Marks

**Carn Brea Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1888

**Carneddau Brass Band** - Llansantffraid ym Mechain, Montgomeryshire

Active in 1862. Conductor John Hughes in 1865, Mr Baines in 1869. Still active in 1869

**Carnegie Trust Brass Band** - Dunfermline, Fife

Founded in 1905 - the idea being to take the best players from the existing three bands in the town and create a new, better band. The band was still active in the early 1920s

**Carnforth Brass Band (1)**

See: *Carnforth Iron Works Brass Band*

**Carnforth Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Founded in 1882, conductor T. Lewis in 1888, active through to the 1920s

**Carnforth Iron Works Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

**Carnoustie Brass Band** - Angus

Active in the 1880s through to the late 1940s. Conductor up to 1914 was Mr. Doig. From 1914 to 1946 the conductor was Charles Smith (a shoemaker).

### **Carnoustie Burgh Band**

See: *Carnoustie Brass Band*

### **Carnwarth Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863

### **Carpenters' Hall Brass Band** - London (City)

Founded in April 1864. The players were in the employ of Messrs Waterlow and Sons, conducted by Mr Hirst. Still active in 1866

### **Carpenters' or Shipwrights' Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Messrs Samuelson and Co. Brass Band*

### **Carr Shield Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Carrshield Brass Band*

### **Carr Works Vale of Eden Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

See: *Carr's Biscuits Works Band*

### **Carrbrook Brass** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Micklehurst Brass Band, HMF Micklehurst Brass Band

### **Carrick Amateurs Band**

Founded in 1971 and amalgamated in 1985 with Whitehouse Silver Band to form C.W.S. (Carrick Whitehouse Silver) Band

### **Carrick Instrumental Band**

See: *Maybole Burgh Band*

### **Carrick Whitehouse Silver Band**

Was subsumed into the Agnes Street Band in 1994 to form C.W.A. Brass

### **Carrickfergus Boys' Brigade Band, 3rd**

See: *3rd Carrickfergus Boys' Brigade Band*

### **Carriden Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Bo'ness and Carriden Brass Band*

### **Carron Brass Band** - Falkirk, Stirlingshire

See: *Carron Works Band*

### **Carron Ironworks Brass Band** - Falkirk, Stirlingshire

See: *Carron Works Band*

### **Carron Works Band** - Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Active from the 1850s through to the early 1900s. Gained four Second Section placings in the Scottish Championships of 1896, 97, 99 and 1900. Conductor F. Macdonald in 1900. The band was associated with the local Carron Iron Works which was founded in 1759 and was at the forefront of the Industrial Revolution becoming one of the largest ironworks in Europe throughout the 1800s.

### **Carronshore Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1864

### **Carrow Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk

See: *Carrow Works Band*

### **Carrow Works Band** - Norwich, Norfolk

Active at least between 1863 and 1913. Sponsored by Colman's the mustard makers. The firm's owner, Jeremiah James Colman, was a champion of new technology and installed the first private telephone line between his works in Norwich and the London office in Canon Street. In February 1878 Charles Noble, principal cornet with the band, played Gilbert and Sullivan's "Take a Pair of Sparkling Eyes" down the telephone line to

London, where a live audience gathered around the receiver. He was almost certainly the first bandsman to make a live broadcast. In 1873 they took second prize at the brass band section of the National Music Meeting at the Crystal Palace. Conductor in 1904, W.A. Pepperell

**Carr's Biscuits Works Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active before WW1 and also in the 1940s/50s. Based at Caldewgate

**Carr's Works Brass Band**

See: *Carr's Biscuits Works Band*

**Carrshield Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1863. Probably composed largely of lead miners

**Carshalton Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1907, conductor Mr Hudson

**Carthorpe Excelsior Brass Band** - near Ripon, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1868

**Cartmel Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1838

**Cartmel Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1866

**Castle Acre Brass Band** - Norfolk

See: *Castle Acre Nelson Brass Band*

**Castle Acre Nelson Brass Band** - Norfolk

Formed in 1905, bandmaster T. Ward

**Castle Bytham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1867, 1868

**Castle Cary Brass Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1863 as a temperance band. Active through to the 1900s. Conductor James Weeks in 1868-1877, Mr Hayter in 1884, Charles Gartell in 1886. Secretary W.T. Poole in 1895

**Castle Cary Temperance Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Castle Cary Brass Band*

**Castle Combe Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1888

**Castle Donington Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1863. Conductor Mr Hutchly in 1866, H. Hallam in 1869

**Castle Douglas Brass Band** - Kirkcudbrightshire

Active in the 1900s, Frank Lawson conductor in 1909

**Castle Eden Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Consett Band*

**Castle Eden Brass Band (1)** - Leadgate, Durham

See: *Castle Eden Colliery Band (1)*

**Castle Eden Brass Band (2)** - Leadgate, Durham

See: *Whitbread Castle Eden Band*

**Castle Eden Colliery Band (1)** - Leadgate, Durham

Active in the 1850s

**Castle Eden Colliery Band (2)** - Leadgate, Durham

Formed in 1890 and still active in the 1950s. Probably folded soon after the colliery closed in 1959. A newspaper report from 1886 also has reference to the band.

**Castle Green Brotherhood Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1914

**Castle Hall Brass Band** - Stalybridge, Cheshire

Formed in September 1851 by public subscription.

**Castle Hedingham Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in early 1884 as a temperance band. Still active in 1888

**Castle Hedingham Temperance Band** - Essex

See: *Castle Hedingham Brass Band*

**Castle Howard Farm School Band**

See: *Castle Howard Reformatory School Band*

**Castle Howard Reformatory School Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed around 1893 and disbanded in 1920. GW (Paddy) Berfert, formerly of the 10th Royal Hussars, was bandmaster before 1904. The boys were "always immaculately dressed in military style uniforms, their instruments polished to perfection".

**Castle Mills Brass Band** - Kendal, Westmorland

Active in 1861 to 1867

**Castle Point Brass** - Canvey, Essex

Formed around 1968 as the Canvey Central and Youth Band. A Mr Clayton and Mr Perkins wanted to form a band from members of the ATC and GVC, and sought help from Fred Kingham (a well known band teacher and conductor). After Mr Kingham, the band had a number of conductors including Mr Fry and Mr Cyril Manning (ex Southend Silver Band). In 1975 the band was renamed "Castle Point" following a district amalgamation. Mr Manning returned to the Salvation Army, and handed the baton to Malcolm Lewis. The band first contested in the Third Section at Thurrock, on 23 April 1978. David Read adjudicated, awarding 169 points for 8th place. The band members also started playing in the local solo contests. In the 1978 Romford contest, it took 2nd place in the duets section with G. Lewis and K. Bennion, and 3rd with S. Flood and D. Andrews. It folded sometime around 2007

**Castle Shaw Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the mid-1850s to 1868

**Castle Street Brass Band** - Todmorden, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1853 to the 1870s

**Castle Street United Brass Band** - Todmorden, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Castle Street Brass Band*

**Castleford Albion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Castleford Borough Band**

See: *Castleford Town Band*

**Castleford Bradley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1902

**Castleford Brass Band (1)**

See: *Castleford Albion Band*

**Castleford Brass Band (2)**

See: *Castleford Old Band*

**Castleford Half Acres Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1888

**Castleford New Subscription Prize Band**

See: *Castleford Temperance Band*

**Castleford Old Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s

**Castleford Operatic Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1859 to 1862, conductor Mr Lockwood

**Castleford Primitive Methodist Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1885, 1888

**Castleford Prize Band**

See: *Castleford Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

**Castleford Saxhorn Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1850s

**Castleford Subscription Prize Band**

See: *Castleford Temperance Band*

**Castleford Temperance Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1890s through to the 1950s. Later known as Castleford Subscription Prize Band

**Castleford Town Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1900s to the 1920s

**Castleshaw Brass Band**

See: *Castle Shaw Brass Band*

**Castleside Band - Durham**

Formed in 1906, and still active in 1920.

**Castleside Brass Band - Blackhill, Durham**

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Stephenson in 1905, Saxon Raine bandmaster in 1908

**Castleton Brass - Norfolk**

[current band] - Founded in 1937 - Former names: Drayton Band, Drayton Royal British Legion Band (to late 1950s), Drayton Band, Norwich Brewery Brass (from 1980s) - Note: Based in Eye, Suffolk. Reference (1): Formed by amalgamation of Ringland, St Faiths and Horsham Bands. Reference (2): Castleton Brass was formed at the turn of the last century [2000 that is!] when members of the Drayton Village Band amalgamated with several members of the Suffolk Fire Service band.

**Castleton Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Castleton Independent Brass Band*

**Castleton Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor in 1909 was W. Atkinson

**Castleton Independent Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active from 1862 to the 1900s

**Castleton Silver Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1950s to 1970s

**Castleton Temperance Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Castletown Brass Band - Dorset**

Active in 1866

**Castletown Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Hylton Colliery Band*

**Castletown Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Formed around 1865 and no longer in existence. Conductor Paul Collister in 1888. A breakaway group from the band formed the current Castletown Metropolitan Silver Band in 1893.

**Castletown Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Hylton Colliery Band*

**Castletown Metropolitan Silver Band** - Isle of Man

[current band] - Founded in 1896

**Castletown Rechabite Band** - Isle of Man

Took part in the celebrations for Queen Victoria's coronation in 1838, "At 11 o'clock, the members of the Independent Order of Rechabites (who celebrated their anniversary on this occasion), with the children of the various Sunday-schools of the town and neighbourhood to the number of about 1,000, assembled at the green, and walked in procession, accompanied by the Rechabite Band, to St. Mary's Church. The Rechabites retired to the Tent, at the Schoolhouse, where a plentiful supply of tea, buns, and beef, was provided; after partaking of it, the band and a few of the members again walked through some of the streets." Rechabite bands were formed in the Isle of Man very soon after the introduction of the Order of Rechabite, and no small part of the minute-books of the Order is taken up with purchases of instruments and arrangements for training adult and juvenile musicians. A Manx band took part in a great demonstration in Liverpool in 1839.

**Castor Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1858 (ten players) and the 1860s, also in 1907, conductor William Newborn

**Catbrook and District Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1960s/1970s

**Catchgate Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s.

**Catcliffe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1891

**Caterham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s. Reformed as Caterham Silver Band after WW1. Active through to the 1950s

**Caterham United Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1.

**Catford Diamond Jubilee Band** - Kent

Founded in 1897, conductor J. Pemberton in 1901

**Catford Town Band** - Kent

Active in 1901

**Cathays Working Men's Conservative Club Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Founded in 1904

**Catholic Young Men's Society Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland

See: *Workington Catholic Young Men's Society Brass Band*

**Caton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1879 when its conductor resigned. Also in 1882

**Caton Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Caton Brass Band*

**Catrine Bleaching Works Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863 to 1906. Attached to the bleaching works at the James Finlay and Sons Cotton Mill. Mr John Carson was Bandmaster in 1903

**Catrine Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Robert Moore was the Bandmaster in 1903, Mr Townsend conductor in 1905

**Catrine Town Band**

See: *Catrine Brass Band*

**Catsfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1889 and the 1930s

**Catshill Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1865

**Catshill Silver Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1950s. 1951 - Bromsgrove - Catshill Silver Band delighted large audiences during concerts on the village recreation ground and at Rubery. It was the first time the bandsmen had worn their new uniforms of navy blue, piped with red, and military style caps. 1953 - Catshill Silver Band were seeking a bandmaster in the Bromsgrove Messenger's advertisement columns.

**Catteral Amateur Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1839, when it played at Garstang

**Catteral Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1868 to 1878

**Catteral Works Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Catterick Brass** - Yorkshire, North Riding

Formed in 2010, disbanded in 2013. Based at Catterick Garrison and sponsored by J Blenkiron and Sons Ltd.

**Catterick Brass Band** - Yorkshire, North Riding

Active in the 1890s, conductor T. MacKenzie. Also active in 1937

**Catterick British Legion Band** - Yorkshire, North Riding

Active in 1952

**Catteris Brass Band**

Active in the 1920s

**Catton Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1850s

**Cauldon Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1863

**Cave Brown Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1893. Based at the Cave Brown Church in Ashton-in-Makerfield. It is named after a Mrs Cave Brown who sent money to fund the building in the 1880s.

**Caversham Academy Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1860, conducted by Mr Knighton. This was a juvenile brass band and consisted of 24 boys in 1861

**Caversham Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the mid-1840s to 1860s, also active in the 1900s

**Cawston and District Silver Prize Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Cawston Brass Band*



### **Cawston Brass Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Cawston & District Silver Prize Band

### **Cawthorne Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: Pogmoor and Cawthorne Band - Note: Cawthorne Brass Band - merged with Pogmoor Band in 1984 to become Pogmoor and Cawthorne Band, then reverted to Cawthorne Brass Band

### **Cawthorne Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed on 5th November 1873, later called Cawthorne Subscription Band. The Band then had a Band Room in the upper storey of the coach house at the Spencer Arms. It was well established by 1920 when it featured prominently in "Cawthorne Hospital Sunday", a musical festival in aid of Barnsley Beckett Hospital. The conductor at this time was W. Rusby. By the late 1940's after briefly disbanding during the war years, the Band was well established. Its conductor then was Ken Wood, who conducted the Band for many years and composed and arranged a great deal of music for the Band.

Throughout the 1950's the Band was to be seen regularly at village events and by 1959 it was able to acquire its first set of uniforms. It was a set of uniforms obtained second hand from Dodworth Band. It disbanded in 1961.

### **Cawthorne Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1976. Many of the original instruments had been damaged beyond repair and only a small number survived. However, through its own fundraising efforts and with a grant from Barnsley Council and the Cawthorne Parish Council it was eventually possible to buy a set of instruments, some second hand, and under the baton of Stanley Jagger the band was re-born. The first conductor was Eric Jessop. By 1980 the Band was being conducted by Ray Andrews. In 1984 it was once again becoming difficult to fill all the seats and a decision was made to merge with Pogmoor Band. The conductor then was Mr Brian Hepworth and the Band became known as Pogmoor and Cawthorne Band.

### **Cawthorne Subscription Band**

See: *Cawthorne Brass Band (1)*

### **Cawthorpe Excelsior Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1860s/1870s

### **Cedar Old Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire

Active in 1912/3

### **Cedar Street Mission Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire

Active in 1908, conductor H.C. Tideswell

### **Cefn Amateur Brass Band**

Formed in 1875

### **Cefn Fforest Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1930s

### **Ceirog Vale Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1865, and in 1895 when it competed at a contest at Chirk, conductor Lloyd Morris, and through to WW1. The band was still active in 1933. Also known as Glyn Ceirog Brass Band.

### **Celynen Band**

Formed in 1888. A successor band, the Celynen Collieries Band, was formed in 1952

### **Celynen Collieries Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newbridge (Celynen) Band*

**Celynen Collieries Institute Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newbridge (Celynen) Band*

**Central Electricity Generating Board Band** - Portishead, Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Portishead Town Band*

**Central Hall Mission Band** - Salford, Lancashire

See: *Irwell Street Mission Prize Band*

**Central Hall Prize Band**

See: *Central Hall Mission Band*

**Central Lewisham British Legion Band** - Kent

Active in the 1920s

**Central London Distric School Brass Band** - Hanwell, Middlesex

This was a paupers' school originally founded in 1849, but moving to new premises near Hanwell in 1856. The band was formed in March 1859, conductor G. Kuster, and at that time consisted of 16 boys. Boys were taught to play musical instruments and in the 1860s the brass band often accompanied mealtimes. The band was still active in 1914, conductor Charles Gregory

**Central London District Brass Band**

Active in the 1900s. A boys' band.

**Central Manchester Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

The band was formed with the instruments from the former Stevenson Box Works Band. They rehearsed in the Grove Hotel on Every Street, Ancoats, Manchester, then moved to the the New Inn on Cambrian Street off Bradford Road, Manchester in approximately 1963. In 1969 they moved into the Central Fire Station on London Road, Manchester, then moved into the Railway Mens Club on Store Street (beneath Piccadilly Railway Station), where they performed regular monthly concerts up until 1994/5. They finally disbanded around 1996/7. Records show they were prize winners in the Junior Cup at the Belle Vue Spring Festival in 1952. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by W. Allen.

**Central Manchester Silver Band**

See: *Central Manchester Band*

**Central Somerset Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1856, performing at Wedmore. Still active in 1860

**Ceramia Goldthorpe Colliery Band**

See: *Yorkshire Main Colliery Band*

**Ceramic Brass** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Ceramic Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in Stoke-on-Trent in 2007 with six players, no music no instruments and nowhere to meet! However, with a lot of hard work and determination since 13th April 2007 it grew to 26 players of all ages and abilities. It appeared to have folded sometime in 2013/14

**Ceramic City Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1980s

**Ceres Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1864 to 1869

**Cerne Abbas Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1868

**Cerrigydrudion Brass Band**

Active in 1878

**Cerryg-y-Druidion Brass Band**

See: *Cerrigydrudion Brass Band*

**Certified Industrial School Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Ardwick Green Industrial School Brass Band*

**Cestrian Amateur Brass Band** - Chester, Cheshire

Active in 1860, conductor C. Hull

**Chacewater Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed around 1842, still active in 1870s

**Chadderton and District Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chadderton Band*

**Chadderton Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1927 - Former names: Busk 9th Boys Brigade Band, Busk Congregational Prize Band (1932), Chadderton & District Band (1950s onward)

**Chadderton Brass Band**

See: *Heald's Green Brass Band*

**Chadderton Christ Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Chadderton Christ Church Scouts Band**

See: *Chadderton Christ Church Brass Band*

**Chaddleworth Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1905

**Chadkirk Temperance Band** - Marple, Cheshire

[no information]

**Chadwell Heath Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1889

**Chadwick Memorial School Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Probably formed in the 1880s at this Roman Catholic school for boy offenders. The band and the school closed in 1906.

**Chadwick's Mill Brass Band** - Westhoughton, Lancashire

Active in 1856. Formed by employees of John Chadwick's Silk Mill

**Chagford Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1857. September 1858 - Harvest Home celebrations at Cheriton Bishop. November 1859 and 1860 - Chagford and Drewsteignton Agricultural Association Meeting. June 1865 - Moretonhampstead concert. February 1874 - Moretonhampstead concert. November 1874 - Moretonhampstead concert at the Smethurst Schoolroom. August 1877 - Chagford Race Meeting. August 1879 - Chagford Temperance Fete. Active through the early 1900s. Presumed to have folded before or at the outbreak of WW2. During WW2 the instruments travelled about Europe, and were finally given to the local Primary School.

**Chagford Town Band**

See: *Chagford Brass Band*

**Chailey Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1861

**Chailey Industrial Band** - Sussex

Played at Sheffield Park, July 30th 1900

- Chain Bar Methodist Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1940s. Amalgamated with the Moston and Beswick Band in the early 1980s.
- Chalfont St Giles Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s through to WW1.
- Chalford Academy Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band]
- Chalford Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1885 - Former names: Chalford Brass Band
- Chalford Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Chalford Band*
- Chalford Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active from the 1850s to 1882. A successor band was formed in 1885 (the current Chalford Band)
- Chalgrove Band** - Oxfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1972
- Chalgrove Brass Band**  
See: *Chalgrove Temperance Band*
- Chalgrove Temperance Band**  
Formed in the 1890s, later known as Chalgrove Brass Band. Folded in 1956. A successor band was formed in 1972.
- Chalke Valley Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Chalke Valley United Band** - Wiltshire  
Formed after WW1. Active in the 1920s
- Chalton Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1911
- Chalvey Brass Band**  
See: *Slough and Chalvey Brass Band*
- Chalvey Methodist Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
[no information]
- Chance Brothers Brass Band** - Oldbury, Worcestershire  
See: *Messrs Chance Bros. and Co. Brass Band*
- Chancery Lane Mission Band** - St Helens, Lancashire  
Active in 1884, conductor Alf Holmes
- Chance's Glass Works Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire  
Founded in 1906, based at the glassworks in Spon Lane, which specialised in blown window glass (having provided glass for the Crystal Palace and the Palace of Westminster)
- Chandlers Ford Brass and Reed Band**  
Active in 1913
- Chandlers Ford British Legion Band**  
Active in 1925
- Chandos School Brass Band** - Stanmore, Middlesex  
Active in the late 1960s through to c.1974. The school merged and was renamed in the mid 1970s when, presumably, the band folded.
- Change Amateur Brass Band** - Bacup, Lancashire  
Active in 1878 through to c.1910

## **Change Brass Band**

See: *Change Amateur Brass Band*

## **Chapel Allerton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863 to 1868. Conductor Mr Buckton

## **Chapel End Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1870s. Competed in a brass band contest at Bedworth in 1888, still active in 1894

## **Chapel End Victoria Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1889

## **Chapel Green Brass Band** - Hindley, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

## **Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1882. Amalgamated in 2002 with Whaley Bridge Band to form High Peak Brass Band

## **Chapel-en-le-Frith Volunteers Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

## **Chapel-en-le-Frith West End Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

## **Chapelton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Chapelton Silver Prize Band*

## **Chapelton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860. Presumed to have folded by the 1870s when a successor (the current Chapelton Band) was formed

## **Chapelton Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in the 1870s - Former names: Chapelton Brass Band

## **Chapman Street Hall Band** - Hulme, Lancashire

Active in 1907

## **Chapman's Excelsior Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1885

## **Chapmanslade Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1885

## **Chapwell Colliery Band**

[no information]

## **Chard Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1874

## **Chard Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1830s through to the 1890s. Conductor in 1877, Mr Johnstone, bandmaster in 1878, Mr Larcombe, Mr Hockey in 1880

## **Chard Concert Brass** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1947 - Former names: Chard Town Band

## **Chard Municipal Band** - Somerset

Formed in the early 1900s and folded during WW2. Conductor in 1903, Mr Tucker. A successor Chard Town Band was formed in 1947.

## **Chard Town Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Chard Concert Brass*

## **Chard Town Band** - Somerset

See: *Chard Municipal Band*

- Chardstock Brass Band** - Dorset  
Formed in 1898
- Charlbury Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in 1858
- Charlbury Town Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1890s. Played at Cornbury Park on 7 August 1897
- Charlecote and Hampton Lucy Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
The earliest mention of the band is at Charlecote May Day Festivities on 26th May 1903. Mentioned in news reports for 1903 to 1911. The bandmaster in 1907 was Mr J.B. Thorpe. Last mention of the band is 13th January 1911.
- Charles Church Camberley Band** - Surrey  
[current band] - Founded in 1960 - Former names: Camberley & District Silver Band, Camberley Silver Band (to 1983)
- Charles Street Wesleyan Mission Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
Formed in 1908, conductor A.F. Coyne
- Charlestown Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1900
- Charlestown Colliery Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in 1988
- Charlesworth Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1889 and 1899
- Charlton Adam Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1888, bandmaster A. Hodges
- Charlton and Guisborough Band**  
See: *Charlton Star of Hope Band*
- Charlton Brass Band** - Charlton Adam, Somerset  
Active in the 1880s
- Charlton Star of Hope Band** - Guisborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s
- Charltons Mines Brass Band**  
See: *Charlton Star of Hope Band*
- Charltons Star Band**  
See: *Charlton Star of Hope Band*
- Charminster Brass Band** - Dorset  
Founded in 1905
- Charmouth Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1863, 1908
- Charnock Richard Brass** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 2009
- Charnwood Brass**  
Formerly Loughborough Band? Merged with Leicestershire Co-operative (SMW) Band in 1999 to form Leicestershire Co-op Snibston Charnwood Brass.
- Chase Cross County Boys School Band** - Romford, Essex  
Active in the late 1960s and 1970s.
- Chase Farm School Brass Band** - Enfield, Middlesex  
Formed in 1886. The School was opened in March 1886 by the Edmonton Union and the 300 pauper boys and girls were transferred to it from the workhouse (the school had a

capacity at that time of 400). The band's first public appearance was in January 1887, bandmaster Mr Tye. The band was still active in 1904, conductor W. Styles

**Chase High School Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Malvern Chase Brass Band*

**Chase Terrace and Boney Hay Brass Band**

See: *Boney Hay Mission Band*

**Chase Terrace Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1880

**Chasetown Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1862, linked to the colliery, it soon became known as the Cannock Chase Colliery Band. In the late 1870s it played at the athletic sports meeting and led processions. By 1893 it was performing at the Lichfield Greenhill Bower. Conductor in 1899 was T. Davis, and W. Earp in 1908. Having won second prize in a competition in 1919, it became known as the Cannock Chase Colliery Silver Prize Band and competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. It was still active in the mid 1960s.

**Chasetown Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1897, and in the summer of 1899 it gave sacred concerts on Sundays on the dam of Norton Pool. Bandmaster in 1900 was Thomas Richards. Still active in 1908

**Chatburn Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Chatburn Parish Church Brass Band**

See: *Chatburn Sunday School Brass Band*

**Chatburn School Brass Band**

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**Chatburn Sunday School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1882 and 1899

**Chatham Borough Band**

See: *Chatham Town Band*

**Chatham Foresters' Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the early 1860s, consisting of 15 performers, conductor G. Fullager

**Chatham Town Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Medway Band*

**Chatham Town Band** - Kent

Formed in 1928, the band continued until the out break of war in 1939, when it became a section of the Home Guard - 12th Bn. Royal West Kent Guards Band (Home Guard). Reformed following the war in 1945 as Medway Imperial Silver Band, the band continued to thrive until 1957 when it amalgamated with the City of Rochester Band to form the current Medway Towns Band.

**Chatteris Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chatteris Town Band*

**Chatteris Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1856. A successor band was formed in 1882 (the current Chatteris Band)

**Chatteris Town Band** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1882 - Former names: Chatteris Brass Band

**Chatterley Whitfield Colliery Band** - Chell, Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s.

**Chatterton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Chaucer Street Mission Band**

See: *Ebor Excelsior Silver Band*

**Chawleigh Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the early 1900s, folded before or during WW1

**Cheadle Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s

**Cheadle Subscription Band** - Staffordshire

[no information]

**Cheadle Town Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Cheddington Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor David Gower in the 1890s and 1900s

**Cheddington Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1897

**Cheddleton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Cheddleton British Legion Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1920s/1930s

**Cheddleton Ex-Servicemen's Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s

**Chedgrave and Loddon Brass Band**

Active in 1930

**Chedworth Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chedworth Silver Band*

**Chedworth Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1905 - Former names: Chedworth Brass Band (until the 1930s)

**Cheetham Hill Prize Band**

See: *Cheetham Hill Public Subscription Band*

**Cheetham Hill Public Brass Band**

See: *Cheetham Hill Public Subscription Band*

**Cheetham Hill Public Subscription Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Founded in 1887. Won the Second Section of the Daily Herald National Championships in 1966. Won the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by J. Jennings). Probably folded in the mid-1970s.

**Chelmondiston Gospel Band** - Suffolk

Active from 1966-1980 with mainly Methodist band members only one of whom could play a note when they started. The inspiration for the band came from David Welham who taught himself to play the trumpet after buying one for his son. He gathered together several willing volunteers including a David Cordle, currently Chairman of the Chelmondiston Parish Council. The twelve strong band used to practice in the Methodist Schoolroom on instruments begged or borrowed from various sources. Their uniforms were cast offs from a brass band near Peterborough and their first music books were a set of SA Tune Books. Yet within a short time they were accompanying the hymns at the Chelmondiston Methodist Church and later played at all the services. Like a true village



band they provided the music for harvest festivals, Christmas carol services and Remembrance Sunday event, Not content with supporting their own local village events they bought an old bus and travelled around the area conducting services sometimes in the open air. Sadly the band broke up after a management disagreement.

#### **Chelmsford Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Chelmsford Brass Band (2)*

#### **Chelmsford Arc Works Band (1) - Essex**

Active in 1891, conducted by F. Webb and up until the mid/late 1890s, when it folded.

#### **Chelmsford Arc Works Band (2) - Essex**

Founded in March 1911, by the firm of Messrs Crompton and Co. Electrical Engineers, Chelmsford, selecting Mr W. Hall as the bandmaster (having conducted Ferranti's and Chatterton Prize bands). Still active in the mid 1920s.

#### **Chelmsford Brass Band (1) - Essex**

Active in the 1840s and early 1850s. Conductor Oswald Dunt in 1847, Mr Seaman in 1850. Disbanded prior to 1854

#### **Chelmsford Brass Band (2) - Essex**

Formed in 1855 under the tutelage of Mr Allen, from London, consisting of 25 young men of the town. First public performance on Christmas Eve 1855. The held open practices in the summer months (in 1857 and 1858 at least) in the gardens behind Mr Sparrow & Co.'s bank. Still active in the early 1860s

#### **Chelmsford Brass Band (3) - Essex**

Active in the 1930s

#### **Chelmsford Brotherhood Silver Band**

Formed in 1936. Active through to the 1950s. The instruments, costing £333, were donated by Mrs J.H. Keene. A Chelmsford Brotherhood Band had previously existed before WW1, but that was not a brass band.

#### **Chelmsford Industrial School Brass Band - Essex**

Active in 1894, conductor W. Free. Conductor H.C. Cooper in 1903. Still active in 1913. The school was opened in 1872 at Baddow Road, Chelmsford. By 1876 there was a drum and fife band and this had become a "brass" band by 1893.

#### **Chelmsford P.S.A. Brass Band - Essex**

Active in the 1890s

#### **Chelmsford Silver Band - Essex**

[current band] - Founded in the 1950s - Former names: Chelmsford Silver Band, Chelmsford Star Silver Band (from 1930)

#### **Chelmsford Star Silver Band - Essex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Chelmsford Silver Band*

#### **Chelmsford Yeomanry Club Band - Essex**

Active in the 1900s

#### **Chelsea Borough Band - Middlesex**

Active in 1902

#### **Cheltenham Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Cheltenham Brass Band*

#### **Cheltenham Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active from the 1840s through to the 1920s. Conductor J.P. Hatton in 1863, C. Preston in 1899. A successor band was formed in 1937.

**Cheltenham Excelsior Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1883

**Cheltenham Rifle Volunteers Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1904

**Cheltenham Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1937 - Former names: Aircraft Components Limited Band (to 1946), Cheltenham Spa Silver Band (to 1968)

**Cheltenham Spa Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cheltenham Silver Band*

**Chepstow Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1880s

**Chepstow Town Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Cheriton Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1905

**Cherry Hinton Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1880. It initially borrowed its instruments from the Fulbourn Hospital band, performing at harvest festivals and meetings of the Garden Society c. 1880-94. From 1902 the band practised in the parish room, newly opened for social activities. Although the band flourished in the early 20th century, winning prizes, it folded in the late 20th century.

**Cherry Orton Brass Band** - Peterborough, Northamptonshire

Active in the early 1900s. One bandmaster was Boss Pauley, owner of a wheelwright and undertaking business, who taught a number of local youths to play various instruments. This band was kitted out in a heavy uniform with silver braiding, and was much in demand throughout the district for various functions. Practice would take place in the wheelwright's shop on winter nights just lit by one or two oil lamps, and warmed by the dying embers of the forge. When the bandsmen complained that it was too cold for their fingers to feel the stops of their instruments, Boss Pauley would say, 'Alright Abide With Me and then bugger off'. The bandsman who beat the large drum was a larger short rotund figure who had difficulty seeing over his drum. He was once seen marching down Bridge Street alone, unaware that the rest of the band had turned down Albert Place. It folded some time in the 1930s

**Chertsey Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Forster, consisting chiefly of mechanics, rehearsing twice weekly on Mondays and Thursdays

**Chertsey School of Handicrafts Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s, conductor A. Montgomery

**Chertsey Town Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1892. Active in 1913 - with A.J. Allen secretary, of London Street. Later became Chertsey Town Silver Prize Band, then merged with Addlestone Temperance Band in 1942.

**Chertsey Town Silver Prize Band** - Surrey

See: *Woking Brass Band*

**Chertsey Volunteers Band** - Surrey

Active in 1892

### **Chesham Brass Band (1) - Buckinghamshire**

Active from 1861 to 1868

### **Chesham Brass Band (2) - Buckinghamshire**

First formed in the 1880s, it was obviously much in demand in those early days. Conductor William Greenwood in the early 1900s. The band had, by 1907, become a Silver band. The next 20 years were surely the band's heyday; they were much in demand for shows, fetes, open air dances, and indeed, almost any gathering in the town and district. They entered competitions in Aylesbury, High Wycombe and Reading, where cups and medals for excellence were won, hence the word 'prize' being added to their title. (More information can be found in a chapter of "Tales of Old Chesham" by George Piggin, ISBN 0 948929 70 7). Records of the band from 1912-35 are held by the Centre for Buckinghamshire Studies, Aylesbury. Memories of Herbert Wingrove who has lived in Chesham for over 80 years - he remembers the band playing at major events in the town, in Lowndes Park and in the Broadway on Saturday afternoons when the Salvation Army were not playing there. The players were all male and had a smart uniform with peaked caps. They led the crowd at every football match and were a vital part of Chesham. Sydney McDonald was the conductor and a Mr Reading played the Last Post on the cornet at the Remembrance Day services. Herbert said he contributed to collections towards the upkeep of the band. They must have had 20 or 30 beautiful silver instruments of which none remain. Roderick John Macdonnell born 1876 died 1967, was bandmaster and/or conductor. He originally played and taught the cornet. He worked in a cycle factory and then the boot and shoe industry until he was 73, then he worked at Sundt plastics until his death. He studied music and played the cornet in various brass and silver bands. He taught music as an extra income, and his pupils included Harry Mortimer. He had to stop playing when he had dentures, instead became a conductor and bandmaster. Played in and conducted the Chesham Town Silver Prize Band from 1914 until his death. It is presumed to have folded prior to or during WW2.

### **Chesham Town Silver Band**

See: *Chesham Brass Band (2)*

### **Cheshire County Youth Brass Band - Cheshire**

Founded and conducted by Peter Room in 1970, rehearsing at Hartford College, near Northwich. A later conductor was David Lancashire. It disbanded in 2012.

### **Cheshire Home Guard Band, 38th Battalion**

See: *38th Battalion Cheshire Home Guard Band*

### **Cheshire Lines Railway Brass Band - Birkenhead, Cheshire**

Active from the 1890s through to the 1930s. Conductor in 1902 was Mr Meredith

### **Cheshire Yeomanry Stockport Band**

See: *Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band*

### **Cheshunt Brass Band - Hertfordshire**

Active in the 1860s

### **Cheshunt Old Band - Hertfordshire**

Active in 1909

### **Cheslyn Hay Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in 1868, 1869

### **Cheslyn Hay Star Band** - Staffordshire

Formed before 1883 and was conducted by Mr Teddy Turner, the landlord of the White Lion on Chapel Square. This did not last long and some of the remaining members formed the Cheslyn Hay Victoria Brass Band in 1883.

### **Cheslyn Hay Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1883 by Mr Joseph Kingston together with three of his brothers. Teddy Turner from the Star Band was the conductor but it was only when he relinquished his position in favour of Joseph Kingston that the Victoria became established as a first class village band. With the decline of the Cannock Town Band it soon became the leading band in the district and consequently was in great demand at all the village and town festivals. At the Christmas Festive Season they would parade around the village playing the carol tunes composed by Cornelius Whitehouse but their fame also extended to the outer areas of the Chase, appearing at Brewood, Wheaton Aston and Shareshill. By now, as the old members left the band there was no difficulty in recruiting new volunteers and the band continued to progress under Mr Kingston's leadership until, on account of his advancing years, he was obliged to lay down the baton. Mr Thomas Holcroft then became conductor and the high standards of their performances were maintained until the First World War. It was during the period between the two wars that the band seemed destined for great honours. They strengthened their membership and engaged the services of a full time conductor in the personage of Mr Hart of Wolverhampton and a late member of the famous 'Bess o' the Barn Band'. Under his conductorship they were successful in gaining several awards of merit and the band took on the name of the Cheslyn Hay Prize Band. The progress did not last, however, for Mr Hart found a more lucrative position in the same capacity in Wolverhampton and from that time onwards the band gradually declined until it finally broke up some time before WW2. Reference from 1903 - "The Victoria Brass Band will play selections of music at the workhouse this Saturday afternoon. The inmates are sure to have a treat." Joseph Kingston started work at Wyrley Colliery when he was ten years old in 1866. Joseph retired in 1919 after working fifty-three years and he died in 1936.

### **Chester Blue Coat Hospital Band**

See: *Chester Blue Coat School Band*

### **Chester Blue Coat School Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s. The school, which was based in the old Blue Coat Hospital building, closed in 1949, ending the band.

### **Chester Bluecoat Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

### **Chester City Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1896 when it competed at a contest at Hawarden.

### **Chester General Station Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1900s and through to 1939.

### **Chester Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Cheshire

Founded in 1856, conductor R. Jones

### **Chester Moor Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1870s

### **Chester Ragged School Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1872

**Chester Railway Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1840

**Chester South Moor Brass Band**

See: *Chester Moor Brass Band*

**Chesterfield and Brampton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1840s to 1860s

**Chesterfield and District Brass Band**

See: *Chesterfield Brass Band*

**Chesterfield and Hasland Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the late 1870s and 1880s, conductor Mr. Mountney. Renamed Sheepridge and Hasland Prize Band in 1884

**Chesterfield and Hasland United Band**

See: *Chesterfield and Hasland Brass Band*

**Chesterfield Borough Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Founded by J.G. Wood.

**Chesterfield Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Formed in the 1850s. Conductor H. Slack in 1860. In 1879, when it was reported that it was "celebrated for the numerous prizes it has earned in all the great contests".

**Chesterfield Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Formed in the late 1960s. Later known as Chesterfield and District Brass Band, Pearsons Pottery Chesterfield Band. Merged with Ireland Colliery Band in the late 1980s to form Ireland Colliery Chesterfield Band.

**Chesterfield Matlock and Clay Cross United Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1870s

**Chesterfield Old Borough Temperance Band**

See: *Chesterfield Borough Temperance Band*

**Chesterfield Rifles Band**

See: *Chesterfield Volunteer Band*

**Chesterfield Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s (separate to the Chesterfield Borough Temperance Band). Conductor J.J. Wood in 1899

**Chesterfield Town and Old Comrades Band**

See: *Chesterfield Town Silver Band*

**Chesterfield Town Silver Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in the late 1900s or early 1910s, active through the 1920s. At some point after WW1 became the Chesterfield Town and Old Comrades Band.

**Chesterfield United Band**

See: *Chesterfield Matlock and Clay Cross United Band*

**Chesterfield Volunteer Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1860s through 1880s

**Chester-le-Street Church of England Temperance Society Band**

See: *Chester-le-Street Temperance Band*

**Chester-le-Street Prize Saxhorn Band**

See: *Chester-le-Street Saxhorn Band*

**Chester-le-Street Saxhorn Band** - Durham

Active from the early 1860s to the 1870s.

**Chester-le-Street St Andrews Brass Band** - Durham

Founded around 1892. Also known as St Andrews Pelton Fell Band

**Chester-le-Street Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed in 1875, still active in 1920

**Chester-le-Street Town Band** - Durham

Active in 1899 - disbanded in 1919

**Chesterton Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1869

**Chesterton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1860s. Played a cricket match against other villagers in 1867, members included R. Inwood, G. Nelson, J. Smith, T. Buckle, G. Plant, H. Yateman, W. Porter, H. Hayward, R. Porter and T. Smith.

**Chesterton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Chesterton United Brass Band*

**Chesterton National School Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1869

**Chesterton United Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Chetham's College Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active from 1856 to WW1. Bandmaster in 1899 was Mr Rostron

**Chetham's Hospital Boys Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Formed in 1847, the first bandmaster was Mr Hadfield. In addition to the brass band there was a separate cadre of drum and fife players. The first players consisted of drum and cymbals, 3 ophicleides, a clavichord, 2 bass, 1 tenor and 1 alto trombones, and 6 cornopeans. Active through to the 1900s. Their uniform in 1850 consisted of blue cloth gowns, blue worsted stockings, blue cap or bonnet, and a pair of linen bands.

**Chettle Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1882

**Chetwode Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s, conductor William Horwood in 1878

**Chevelah Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1898. Located at Kenwyn.

**Chevin Brass Band** - Belper, Derbyshire

Active in 1856

**Chevington Model Band** - near Alnwick, Northumberland

Linked to Chevington Colliery, and active between 1914 and 1933

**Chew Stoke Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1864 to 1867

**Chewton Mendip Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1890s. Conductor C.F. Goodwin in 1895, W. Clarke in 1898. It disbanded in 1902 and had reformed again by 1907, when the conductor was Walter Seymour. The band was still active in 1925.

**Chichester Amateur Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from the 1850s to the late 1880s. Conductor Mr Hunt in 1888. A successor band was formed in 1897

**Chichester Asylum Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s

### **Chichester Brass Band (1)**

See: *Chichester Amateur Brass Band*

### **Chichester Brass Band (South Ward) - Sussex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Chichester City Band*

### **Chichester City Band - Sussex**

[current band] - Founded in 1897 - Former names: Chichester Brass Band (South Ward)

### **Chichester Unity Brass Band - Sussex**

Conductor G. Gray, leader C. Bishop in 1860.

### **Chiddingfold Brass Band - Surrey**

Founded around 1884, bandmaster Henry Berry. Re-organised in 1908 under Mr Bartlett. Probably folded prior to or during WW1.

### **Chiddingly Brass Band - Sussex**

Formed in the 1890s and active through to WW2. Jim Coleman was the bandmaster in the 1930s. A member of the band remembered: "I joined the band when I was twelve. Practised the cornet in somebody's house. We used to be about 23 in the band then. We used to go to Tunbridge Wells and the Crystal Palace for contests. We could always get a second, but we could never get a first! Then after the War, Uckfield started up a band and they bought all the instruments. One thing from the old days was the Flower Show. It was so outstanding. You had a large marquee up in the field, with the Chiddingly Brass Band in attendance. I don't expect there are many brass bands where the drummer would go along with his pipe resting on top of his drum!"

### **Chigwell Row Brotherhood Brass Band - Essex**

Formed in 1908 or 1909. Part of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoons Brotherhood.

### **Chilcompton Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

### **Childs Hill Excelsior Band**

See: *Childs Hill Silver Band*

### **Childs Hill Silver Band - Middlesex**

Active from the 1890s. Bandmaster in 1899 was F. Watson. "1914 - The Elstree Scouts put on a 15 minute display of bridge building, and the Child's Hill Prize Silver Band played throughout the day, and during a dance that started at 7.15pm and carried on until 10pm, when the day was wound up with a rendition of God Save the King." The Childs Hill (Silver) Prize Band was engaged to play in Roundwood Park for £100 for the season. This was repeated in 1931, but the Council were concerned that in the depression as many unemployed musicians should be employed as possible, and the engagement went to Harlesden and District British Legion Military Band in 1933.

### **Childwall Church School Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1861 to 1864, conductor F.A. Emidy

### **Chilmark Brass Band - Wiltshire**

[no information]

### **Chilsworthy Brass Band - Cornwall**

An article in the Cornish Times of 1863 reads "CHILSWORTH BRASS BAND. The members of the Chilsworthy and Latchley "Brass Band" respectfully beg to inform the public generally, that they are now open to treat with all parties for further engagements, and having selected suitable music for all occasions, arranged by some of the best men of the day, (the same, being under the management of J.C.PURTOX, Esq, Plymouth), they hope as hitherto to give satisfaction to their employers. Applications to be made to MR W

STENLAKE, Chilsworthy, Gunnislake, Calstock." A photograph of the 1907 band shows a well balanced band of 15 players. A non contesting band, the village of Chilsworthy can be found 2/3 miles west of Tavistock, near the Cornwall/Devon border. This is not to be confused with the Devon village of Chilsworthy. In 1860 the band was present at a ceremony known as "hunting the stag", which consists of carrying the efigy of a man known to have violated the sanctity of a neighbour's household. John Bodenner (a member of the band) and Richard Piper had a bare-knuckle fight over some girls, egged on by a crowd of over 200 people. Sadly, Bodenner was knocked to the ground and fatally injured after nearly two hours of battle.

**Chiltern Hills Brass** - Cressex, Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1998 - Former names: Denham Hendon Brass (to 2013) -

Note: Formed by the merger of Denham Brass with John Laing Hendon Band

**Chilton and Windlestone Band** - Durham

Active in 1934

**Chilton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1850. Conductor Rev. G. Chetwode in 1851, E. Shrimpton in 1858

**Chilton Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Chilton Colliery Band*

**Chilton Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1906 and 1925

**Chingford Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s, conductor A. Fleming.

**Chingford British Legion Band** - Essex

Active in the 1940s

**Chinley and Buxworth Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Chinnor Silver Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1850s

**Chippenham Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Chippenham Brass Band*

**Chippenham Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Chippenham British Legion Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1930s

**Chippenham Town Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Founded in 1891 and disbanded in 1953. In 1912, 17 of the 24 players worked at the Westinghouse Foundry.

**Chipping Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1844 when it played at Goosnargh, 1862, and 1884, when it played at Calder Vale.

**Chipping Campden Town Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Campden Town Band*

**Chipping Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Chipping Norton Amateur Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Chipping Norton Brass Band*



- Chipping Norton Borough Band** - Oxfordshire  
See: *Chipping Norton Town Band*
- Chipping Norton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Formed in the mid 1860s. Active through to the 1890s. P. Hopgood was a member on his birthday on 16th May 1866
- Chipping Norton Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Titcomb in 1907
- Chipping Norton Silver Band** - Oxfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1935 - Former names: Chipping Norton Temperance Silver Band
- Chipping Norton Temperance Silver Band** - Oxfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Chipping Norton Silver Band*
- Chipping Norton Town Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1920s. It folded prior to 1935 when the current Chipping Norton Silver Band was formed.
- Chipping Norton Wesleyan Band** - Oxfordshire  
See: *Chipping Norton Primitive Methodist Brass Band*
- Chipping Sodbury Quarry Works Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Sodbury Quarry Works Brass Band*
- Chiseldon Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1865
- Chislet Colliery Welfare Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1920s through to the early 1960s
- Chislet Silver Band** - Kent  
See: *Chislet Colliery Welfare Band*
- Chiswick Town Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1901 and 1914 - John Thomas Sampson was then the secretary.
- Chiswick Works (L.G.O.C.)** - Middlesex  
Formed in 1922, conductor William Heath.
- Chisworth and Charlesworth Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1880s through to WW1.
- Chisworth Brass Band**  
See: *Chisworth and Charlesworth Band*
- Chitterne Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1860, 1862, conductor Abdon Polden
- Chivenedge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1910
- Chobham Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1966. Pictures of the band are held in the Surrey Heath Museum.
- Cholderton and Bulford Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1850s
- Cholderton Brass Band** - Wiltshire, ## 6 ##, Active in 1903, disbanded in 1907, ## 7 ##, West Cholderton Brass Band
- Cholsey Brass Band** - Berkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cholsey Silver Band*
- Cholsey Silver Band** - Berkshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1847 - Former names: Cholsey Brass Band

### **Choppington Brass Band**

See: *Choppington Colliery Band*

### **Choppington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active from the early 1860s through to WW1. In 1865 conductor was T. Bowman, in 1867, F. Armstrong, in 1883, Thomas Miller, in 1894, George Young

### **Choppington Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

See: *Choppington Colliery Band*

### **Chopwell Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the late 1890s. Bandmaster Mr Birkett in 1907. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Still active in the 1960s

### **Chorley Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1887

### **Chorley Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Chorley Silver Band*

### **Chorley Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s, M. Devery bandmaster to 1886.

### **Chorley Silver Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1996 - Former names: Chorley Youth Band (to 2000) - Note: The original Chorley Silver Band adult section disbanded through lack of players and handed over instruments and music to the younger players, who adopted the name and remain a youth band

### **Chorley Silver Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s and through the 20th century. Folded in 2000. The name and property were subsequently taken over by the then Chorley Youth Band which had been founded in 1996.

### **Chorley St George's Brass Band**

See: *St George's Church Institute Band*

### **Chorley Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s and 1919. Bandmaster Thomas Mackrael.

### **Chorley Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

### **Chorley Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1876

### **Chorley Youth Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chorley Silver Band*

### **Chorlton Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Chorlton-cum-Hardy Brass Band*

### **Chorlton Voluntary Band** - Lancashire

Active in June 1888 when it played at the inauguration of the new lych gate and bells at Chorlton-cum-Hardy parish church.

### **Chorlton-cum-Hardy Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1850s. For more details see: "Chorlton cum Hardy Brass Band 1820-1945" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

### **Chorlton-cum-Hardy Temperance Band** - Lancashire

formed by the Wesleyan Band of Hope Committee in 1876, folded in 1879.

### **Chosen Brass Band** - Churchdown, Gloucestershire

Active in 1862, 1863

**Chowbent Brass Band** - Atherton, Lancashire  
Active in 1863

**Christ Church (Manchester) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Christ Church Silver Band*

**Christ Church (Patricroft) Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s

**Christ Church Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire  
See: *Blackburn Christ Church Band*

**Christ Church Band** - Leytonstone, Essex  
See: *Leyton Christchurch Brass Band*

**Christ Church Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in 1866

**Christ Church C.L.B. Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1950s

**Christ Church Chadderton Band**  
See: *Chadderton Christ Church Brass Band*

**Christ Church Church Lads' Brigade Band**  
See: *Christ Church C.L.B. Band*

**Christ Church Excelsior Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
Formed in 1904, first performance in 1905

**Christ Church Juvenile (Bradford) Brass Band**  
See: *Bradford Christ Church Juvenile Brass Band*

**Christ Church P.S.A. Band** - Balham, Surrey  
Active in the 1900s

**Christ Church Saxtuba Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in the 1880s

**Christ Church School Brass Band** - Accrington, Lancashire  
See: *Accrington Christ Church School Brass Band*

**Christ Church School Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire  
See: *Blackburn Christ Church Band*

**Christ Church Silver Band** - Bradford, Lancashire  
Active from the 1930s to the 1980s

**Christchurch and Highcliffe Brass Band** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded around 1906 - Former names: Highcliffe British Legion Silver Band (to late 1950s), Highcliffe Men's Club Band (to 1997)

**Christchurch Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]

**Christchurch Silver Band** - Leyton, Essex  
See: *Leyton Christchurch Brass Band*

**Christchurch Silver Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Christchurch Town Band*

**Christchurch Town Band** - Hampshire  
Active from the 1920s through to the 1950s

**Christchurch U3A Vintage Brass** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2006

**Christian Cabmen's Association Band** - London  
Active in 1907, conductor Mr Pursglove

**Christian Volunteer Force Harold Memorial Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in the late 1930s.

**Christleton Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Webb in 1885, J.P. Byrnes in 1893, James Lunt in 1897

**Christow Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active from the 1880s, conductor George Horrell in 1902. Folded in 1914. A successor band was formed in 1924

**Christow Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Founded in 1924, conductor George. Horrell, and still active in 1939. Originally based at the Methodist's Chapel, it was run on a self-financing basis and played at local functions.

**Christ's Hospital Boys School Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Chronicle Employees Band**

See: *Manchester Chronicle Employees Band*

**Chryston Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1860s through to the 1900s. Conductor John Wotherspoon in 1905

**Chudleigh Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active from the 1840s through to WW1.

**Chudleigh Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in August 1924, bandmaster G. Barber, active through to WW1.

**Chudleigh Town Band**

See: *Chudleigh Brass Band (2)*

**Chulmleigh Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1872

**Chulmleigh Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in April 1855, starting with six men, led by John Keenor

**Chulmleigh Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1886

**Chulmleigh Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Chulmleigh Town Band*

**Chulmleigh Town Band** - Devon

Active in 1888, 1893 and 1899 when William Parsons was bandmaster

**Church and Oswaldtwistle Subscription Prize Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s through to WW2.

**Church and Oswaldtwistle Temperance Band** - Lancashire

See: *3rd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers (Oswaldtwistle) Band*

**Church Artillery Band**

See: *Church and Oswaldtwistle (3rd L.A.V.) Temperance Band*

**Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1869

**Church Fenton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s and 1910s, Mr Karley bandmaster in 1906

**Church Gresley Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*

**Church Gresley Garibaldi Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Gresley and Swadlincote Garibaldi Brass Band*

**Church Gresley Prize Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1904

**Church Knowle Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1865

**Church Lads Brigade Band** - Upton Park, Essex

Active in the early 1900s, based at St Stephens

**Church Nursing and Ambulance Brigade Ladies' Brass Band** - London

Active in 1915

**Church of England Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Newly formed in 1844, it played for the Church of England School Sick Society procession on Whit Monday in Preston and on the following day at Goosnargh for the Amicable Sick Society.

**Church of England School Band** - Preston, Lancashire

See: *Church of England Brass Band*

**Church of the Messiah Domestic Mission Schools Juvenile Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Formed in 1866 in Broad Street, Birmingham

**Church Stretton Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1934, conductor Mr. Butler

**Church Temperance Band**

See: *Church and Oswaldtwistle (3rd L.A.V.) Temperance Band*

**Churchdown Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1885 through to the 1900s. Members had new uniforms in 1894. Conductor in 1903 was Thomas Merrett.

**Churchstanton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1866

**Churchtown Brass Band** - near Southport, Lancashire

Active in 1852 to 1864

**Churton Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1920s and 30s, they had folded by the 1960s and remaining members joined the neighbouring Farndon Band.

**Churwell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s through to the 1900s. It was re-organised in 1906. Conductor W. Hesling, leader James Stanhope in 1860

**Cilcain Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1867, conductor Robert Jones

**Cilfynydd Albion Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Formed in 1905, conductor Gus Foxall

**Cinderella Shoe Works Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire

See: *Willis Shoe Works Brass Band*

**Cinderford Ark Mission Band**

Active in 1904, folded prior to WW1.

**Cinderford Excelsior Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in the 1920s with the instruments of the old Ark Mission Band. The band broke up prior to World War 2. Another source has the band founded before 1897, and meeting at the Methodist chapel in Church Road, folding in the mid 20th century.

**Cinderford Mission Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Cinderford Ark Mission Band*

**Cinderford Rifles Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Cinderford Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1879 - Former names: Cinderford Town Band, Cinderford Swanbrook Band (1986) - Note: "The Town brass band originated in 1896 as a military recruiting band"

**Cinderford Swanbrook Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cinderford Silver Band*

**Cinderford Town Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cinderford Silver Band*

**Cinderford Volunteer Artillery Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s, disbanding in 1906

**Cinderford Wireworks Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1870s/1880s. The Forest Vale Iron Works was established around 1850 and by 1856 the works had come to be known as the Cinderford Wireworks, and by 1880 took the form of a well equipped factory with a foundry, rolls and shears, employing 100 men. It had a huge steam hammer, which gave its name to the nearby beer house the "Forge Hammer". The works closed around 1895.

**Cinque Ports Volunteer Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1875

**Cirencester Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Comrades of the Great War Band, Cirencester Silver Band (1922-1972)

**Cirencester Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. A successor band was formed in 1919

**Cirencester Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cirencester Band*

**Cirencester Town Band**

See: *Cirencester Brass Band*

**Cirque Unique Brass Band**

See: *Messrs Pinder's Brass Band*

**City and Finsbury United Sawyers' Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1860

**City Mission Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**City of Birmingham Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1940s - Former names: Fisher and Ludlow Band, Fisher and Ludlow Works Band, Pressed Steel Fisher Band (to 1976)

**City of Bradford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Former names: Hawley Band, Hammonds Hawley Band (to 1993), Yorkshire Building Society Concert Brass (to 2006), YBS Concert Brass (to 2009)

**City of Bristol Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1858. Conductor Mr Paine in 1865. Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864. Still active in 1868. A successor City of Bristol Band was formed in 1936

**City of Bristol Brass Band (2) - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1936 - Former names: Fishponds British Legion Band (to early 1970s)

**City of Cambridge Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1901 - Former names: Cambridge Town Band, Cambridge Band of the British Legion, City of Cambridge Band, Cambridge Band, Cambridge Co-operative Band - Note: "The Cambridge Albion Band and the Cambridge Town Band have decided to amalgamate and will be known in future as the Cambridge Silver Band. They proposed to buy a set of new triple silver-plated instruments made by Messrs Hawkes, London, with the now famous "Profundo" basses as played by the St Hilda Colliery Band. This would greatly improve the tonal qualities of the band; there was not another band in the Eastern counties with such instruments." (from the Cambridge News, January 1927)

**City of Canterbury Brass Band (1) - Kent**

See: *Canterbury Silver Band*

**City of Canterbury Brass Band (2) - Kent**

[current band] - Founded in 1969

**City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: 13th Glamorgan Rifle Volunteers Corporation Band, Velindre Brass Band, Booker's Works Band, Whitchurch Brass Band, Melingriffith Volunteer and Cadet Corps Band (1919), Melingriffith Works Band (1941), Steel Company of Wales Band, Excelsior Ropes Works Band (1965), Melingriffith Band (1973), Radyr and Morganstown Band (1992-2000), Radyr and Morganstown (Melingriffith) Band (to 2007)

**City of Chester Brass Band - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1853 - Former names: Blue Coat Band,

**City of Coventry Band - Warwickshire**

Formed in 1939, composed of ex-Salvation Army bandsmen, conductor W.B. Major. Achieved some success under Albert Chappell, amongst others, as well as a fine recording under their new name of Jaguar Cars (City of Coventry), under Ray Farr. The band folded when Jaguar discontinued their sponsorship.

**City of Coventry Brass - Warwickshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: Coventry School of Music Band, Coventry CPA [Centre for the Performing Arts] Band (1988-1994)

**City of Coventry Junior Band - Warwickshire**

See: *Coventry Imperial Band*

**City of Discovery Brass Band - Dundee, Angus**

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**City of Edinburgh Band - Edinburgh, Midlothian**

See: *Grassmarket Brass Band*

**City of Edinburgh Rifles Band - Edinburgh, Midlothian**

Active in the 1860s

**City of Ely Brass Band**

See: *Ely City Band*

**City of Exeter Railway Band - Devon**

[current band] - Founded in 1945 - Former names: Exeter & District Southern Railways Band, Exeter British Railways (Southern Region) Band, Exeter British Rail Band

- City of Gloucester A.T.C. Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1946 when it competed in the GBBA Annual Contest that year.
- City of Gloucester Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Flowers Band*
- City of Gloucester Rifles Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1860s
- City of Gloucester Silver Band** - Gloucestershire  
Formed around 1946, held its inaugural concert on 7 June 1947, conducted by G. Beckingham. Folded before 1967, when a successor City of Gloucester Band was formed.
- City of Hereford Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in the early 1900s and through to the early 1970s
- City of Hull Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *East Yorkshire Motor Services Band*
- City of Hull Central Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1909, conductor A. Piercy
- City of Lancaster (Storey's) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Standfast Works Band*
- City of Leicester Band** - Leicestershire  
Formerly Everards Brewery Band and Bond Street Working Mens Club Band, Bond Street Imperial Silver Band, Leicester Club and Institute Band (1933). Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by R. Jackson. It ran into difficulties around 1994 and decided to amalgamate with Barlestone Band in 1995, unfortunately after much effort by many of the players this didn't work and the combined band decided to call it a day at the end of 1996.
- City of Leicester Club and Institute Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *City of Leicester Band*
- City of Leicester SP Constabulary Band** - Leicestershire  
[no information]
- City of Leicester Special Constabulary Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Foresters Brass 2000*
- City of Leicester W.M.C. Silver Prize Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *City of Leicester Band*
- City of Lincoln Band** - Lincolnshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1893 - Former names: Lincoln Malleable Iron Works Band, Lincoln Borough Band (to 1987)
- City of London Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1861, conductor Mr Chattaway. It rehearsed at the Fortune of War Inn in Smithfield on Thursdays.
- City of Manchester Band** - Lancashire  
See: *C.W.S. (Manchester) Band*
- City of Oxford Silver Band** - Oxfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Headington Brass Band (to 1893), Headington Wesleyan Temperance Band (to 1912), Headington Subscription Band (to 1914), Headington Silver Band (to 1951)
- City of Oxford Silver Training Band** - Oxfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Oxford Templars Brass Band*



**City of Perth Corporation Band** - Perthshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Mr Becker in 1901, R. McFarlane in 1905

**City of Ripon Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Ripon City Band*

**City of Rochester Band** - Kent

See: *Hobourn Aero Works Band*

**City of Rochester Brass** - Kent

See: *Strood Gospel Mission Silver Band*

**City of Sheffield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**City of Southampton (Albion) Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1920s - Former names: All Saints Scouts Band, Southampton Albion and Scouts Band (1922), Southampton Albion Band (1928), Southampton Band (1970s), City of Southampton Band (1979-1986)

**City of Southampton Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Southampton (Albion) Band*

**City of Stoke on Trent Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Trentham Brass Band*

**City of Stoke-on-Trent Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1990s. Also known as Stoke-on-Trent Brass

**City of Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Brass Band*

**City Of Sunderland Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Sunderland Brass Band*

**City of Sunderland Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: Sunderland Temperance Band, Sunderland Tramways Employees Band, Sunderland Transport Employees Band, Sunderland Borough Band (1974), City Of Sunderland Band (when Sunderland achieved city status) - Note: Amalgamated with Sunderland International Concert Band c. 1981/1982, which was a former Sunderland Education Authority Band that achieved high standards in the youth band scene, then later in the adult arena with good contest results before suddenly fading away hence the need to amalgamate!

**City of Truro Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1975

**City of Truro Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1853 as Truro Saxhorn Band. Also known as Truro Town Band. Conducted by J.F. Mark in 1876. In 1900 it was conducted by H. Phillips. Won third prize at the Crystal Palace in the the Junior B section in 1924 - the first cornish band to win a prize there.

Notable conductors of the band were Mr Tom Hubbard, Mr G.W. Cave in the 30s and Mr A.W. Parker. Folded some time before 1970. A successor band was formed in 1975

**City of Wakefield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1954

**City of Westminster Employees Band** - Middlesex

Founded in 1906, conductor E. Campbell

**City of Winchester Brass** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Otterbourne Brass*

**City of Wolverhampton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1972 - Former names: Wolverhampton Brass Band (to 2004)

**City Pioneer Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1899

**City Royal Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Manchester City Royal Brass Band*

**Civil Service Brass Band** - London

Active in the 1860s

**Clackmannan Brass Band** - Clackmannanshire

Active in 1862

**Clackmannan District Brass Band** - Clackmannanshire

[current band] - Founded in 1991 - Note: Merger of the former Alloa Burgh Band and Alva Town Band

**Clacton Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s and through the 1930s, it folded before the current Clacton Band was formed in 1948. Bandmaster in 1899 was George Gatfield

**Clacton Silver Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Clacton-on-Sea Co-Operative Band*

**Clacton Town Band** - Essex

See: *Clacton Brass Band*

**Clacton-on-Sea Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Clacton-on-Sea Co-Operative Band*

**Clacton-on-Sea Co-Operative Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1948 - Former names: Clacton Silver Band (to 1965), Clacton on Sea Band (to 1978)

**Clacton-on-Sea Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1892

**Clanfield Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

The Parrott family made up a good proportion of the band at one time.

**Clapham Excelsior Brass Band** - London

Active in the 1920s

**Clapham Junction Brass Band**

Active around 1880/1890

**Clare Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1854, taking part in the celebrations on the consecration of the South Suffolk Freemasons Lodge. On May 25th 1861 when the first news came through that the railway was soon to connect Clare with Sudbury and Cambridge. "The band paraded the streets and a huge bonfire of old tar barrels and sugar hogsheads was ignited and burnt in profusion". Possibly not a true brass band but a band nevertheless. Two months later the band were out again when "on receiving intelligence of the decision of the Committee of the House of Lords in favour of the Eastern Counties Railway Bill on Saturday night, the town was in quite a commotion, the band was mustered in ten minutes and the streets resounded to "see the conquering heroes come" the bells also pealed to welcome the joyous news". Note that "The Band was mustered in ten minutes". They were probably all in the same place - the local pub! On July 11th 1862, the paper celebrates the news that; "On Saturday last, the village of Cavendish (next village to Clare) was aroused from its usual quietness by the turning of the first sod of the new railway line from Clare to

Sudbury on the Cavendish Hall estate. The Clare Band was engaged and at 3 o'clock workmen belonging to Mr Garrett formed a procession carrying flags and banners and headed by the band marched through the village to the ground where a great number of the leading families of the neighbourhood was assembled. The ceremony was performed by Miss Yellowly, nearly 100 persons sat down to luncheon provided by Mr Bear of the Rose and Crown Inn at Clare, the band played selected numbers of popular music, the chairman, Mr Ilinchcliffe proposed the health of the Queen and the band played the National Anthem followed by Rule Britannia". A Mr Lee was prosecuted at Clare Petty Sessions for fishing without permission. Charges were also laid against several other people who said they had angled in the river for 30 years or more. The fishing case occasioned great excitement in the town and a subscription has been raised to defray costs for the defence. In the evening a large bonfire was lit on the Market Hill and the band paraded to celebrate. In January 1921 the Clare Brass Band was present at the unveiling of the war memorial at Belchamp Otten. The Clare Brass Band also played at the unveiling of the Clare war memorial by Col Sir Courtenay Warner in October 1921. The band at this time was conducted by a Mr Alfred Lawson a retired army musician. In 1911, Alfred Melville Lawson age 59, and born in Woolwich was a retired musician, and lived with his wife at Clopton Hall, Poslingford. In 1911, he was an orchestral musician, living in Lewisham with his wife and brother. In 1881 he was a soldier in 1st Life Guards at the Cavalry Barracks at New Windsor, Berkshire.

#### **Claremont Brass Band**

See: *Claremont Mission Brass Band*

#### **Claremont Mission Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s to WW1, Mr Roch bandmaster in 1908. The mission was located in White Lion Street.

#### **Clarence Brass Band** - Mold, Flintshire

Active in 1900

#### **Clarence House Brass** - Portishead, Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Portishead Town Band*

#### **Clarendon Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1882. It is not clear if this is Bradford, Yorkshire or Bradford, Manchester.

#### **Clark and Sons Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in the late 1880s. D. Clark and Sons were wholesale and retail brush manufacturers, which came to an end in or around WW1, as there was a report in 1917 of some "corruption" which had indirectly caused the demise of the company.

#### **Clark's Mills Brass Band** - Worsley, Lancashire

Active in 1858

#### **Clarks Nichols and Combes Works Band**

See: *Clarnico Works Band*

#### **Clarkston Brass Band** - Airdrie, Lanarkshire

Active in 1899 when it promoted a band contest and through to WW1.

#### **Clarnico Fire Brigade Band**

See: *Clarnico Works Band*

#### **Clarnico Works Band** - Leytonstone, Essex

Active in the early 20th century. Clarnico is an amalgamation of Clarks Nichols and Combes who used to have a sweet factory at Leytonstone in Essex. It was later taken over by Trebor Bassett.

**Claverdon Village Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Clawson Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Long Clawson Brass Band*

**Clay Cross and District Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed after WW1 and active through to 1939

**Clay Cross Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1860 to 1900

**Clay Cross Model Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Clay Cross Brass Band*

**Clay Cross Silver Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Clay Cross and District Brass Band*

**Clay Cross Volunteer Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Clay Cross Brass Band*

**Claydon Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1860

**Claygate Brass Band** - Thames Ditton,

Active in the early 1900s

**Claypole Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1852

**Clayton Aniline Works Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Formed in December 1943, disbanded in 1956. They shared the bill with a young Julie Andrews in a charity concert at Belle Vue, Manchester on October 5th 1955.

**Clayton Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Clayton Subscription Band*

**Clayton Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1880, in 1907 and in the 1910s, being conducted by Joe Dyson at one time.

**Clayton Silver Band**

See: *Clayton Subscription Band*

**Clayton Sports Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Formed in July 1922

**Clayton Steam Sheds Band**

See: *Clayton Subscription Band*

**Clayton Subscription Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s through to WW2. Lost some players to Bradford City Band in 1899. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Also known as Clayton Silver Band, and referred to as Clayton Steam Sheds Band in 1936.

**Clayton West Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to around 1965 when it amalgamated with Emley Public Band to form Clayton West and Emley Band (forerunner of the current Emley Brass Band).

**Clayton West Independent Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853

**Clayton-le-Moors Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1875. On the 4th September 1882 the 30th Annual Brass Band Contest took place at the Belle Vue Gardens in Manchester. Of the 30 bands entered there was only 18 that put in an appearance one of which was the Clayton le Moors Rifle Volunteers Brass Band ~ this was their Greatest Achievement. The music required to play was a selection

from "Il Seraglio" by Mozart which was arranged expressly for the occasion by Mr Charles Godfrey, the bandmaster of the Royal Horse Guards and the scores of which were supplied to the contesting bands, six weeks ago. The proceedings lasted over six hours. Several bands exhibited great ability, but on the whole, there was a falling off in the excellency of the playing. The first prize of £30 went to Clayton le moors Rifle Volunteers, surprising really when you hear the story ~ not only that they all received a gold medal each value of £3 but was presented an electro-plated "Echo" cornet of the value of £22. Ned Holditch was the principle cornet player and conductor of the Band. He couched the band for the Belle Vue contest and as was usual in those days they engaged Mr Alex Owen of Bessie of the Barn conductor. When they got to Belle Vue, Ned warned all the bandsmen to keep away from the marquees containing the bars and then they could easily win the contest. Apparently Ned's advice didn't apply to himself because when he went onto the platform to play the contest piece, Mr Owen accused Ned of being drunk of which he didn't deny the statement but told the conductor just before they started that the band would win and he would also collect the solo cornet prize. His predictions proved correct and Ned won a Silver Cornet trophy for first prize. When the band arrived back at Rishton they wanted to show off their "winnings" and sent round to Ned's for the prize he had won. He replied by sending back the pawn brokers ticket ~ for he had "hocked" in prize at "Uncles" and used the proceeds to get drunk. [Edward "Ned" Holditch was born Edwin Henry Holdship in Portsmouth, 1847]. Band was still active in 1925.

#### **Clayton-le-Moors Rifle Volunteers Band**

See: *Clayton-le-Moors Band*

#### **Cleadon Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1859

#### **Clearwell Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1865, conductor James Packer. Still active in the 1870s

#### **Cleator Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in 1860, when the members included: Thomas Harrison (bandmaster), Thomas Parker, Thomas Richardson, Nicholas Blacklock, Mark Richardson and J. Tyson (drummer)

#### **Cleator League of the Cross Band**

See: *Cleator Moor St Mary's Brass Band*

#### **Cleator Moor Band of Hope Brass Band - Cumberland**

See: *Cleator Moor Teetotal Brass Band*

#### **Cleator Moor Brass - Cumberland**

[current band] - Founded in 2007

#### **Cleator Moor Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in 1861 to 1867

#### **Cleator Moor League of the Cross Band**

See: *Cleator Moor St Mary's Brass Band*

#### **Cleator Moor St John's Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active around 1919

#### **Cleator Moor St Mary's Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active from the 1890s through to WW1. Also known as Cleator Moor League of the Cross Band. It was re-organised in 1901

**Cleator Moor Teetotal Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1861. Conductor Thomas Harrison in 1864

**Cleator Moor Temperance Brass Band** - Cumberland

See: *Cleator Moor Teetotal Brass Band*

**Cleator Moor Town Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1890s through to the early 1900s

**Cleckheaton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Commenced contesting in 1878 and over the next 10 years attended over 40 contests amassing prizes totalling some £400. Still active in 1896

**Cleckheaton Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Cleckheaton Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Minutes of the band, from 1886-99, are held by West Yorkshire Archive Service, Kirklees. The band was formed as the Nook Chapel Band in Cleckheaton, becoming the Cleckheaton Temperance Brass Band when it broke away from the Chapel. It was still active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Tyson in 1908. Disbanded in 1916

**Cleckheaton Victoria Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1849. Won the first South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, in Doncaster, on 29 August 1859 playing a medley from Verdi's "La Traviata". and took part in the second South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, at Nether Hall Park, Doncaster, on 25th June 1860. Conductor Benjamin Robinson in 1860. Active in 1903 to 1911. Achieved sixth place at the National Championships at the Crystal Palace in 1903 under the baton of Angus Holden. Probably did not survive WW1, although there was a Cleckheaton Band in 1921.

**Cleehill Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1853, conductor Mr Martin in 1859. Still active in 1866

**Cleethorpes Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kingsway Printers Cleethorpes Band*

**Cleethorpes Borough Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kingsway Printers Cleethorpes Band*

**Cleethorpes Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1840

**Cleethorpes Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

See: *Cleethorpes Fishermen's Band*

**Cleethorpes Fishermen's Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the early 1850s to the late 1860s. Conductor Mr Acey in 1859. Also known as Cleethorpes Brass Band

**Cleethorpes New Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kingsway Printers Cleethorpes Band*

**Cleethorpes Sacred Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1882, conductor A. Brannan

**Cleethorpes Silver Prize Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kingsway Printers Cleethorpes Band*

**Cleland Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1870s through to the 1930s. Conductor James Jenkins in 1890, John Somerville in 1900

**Cleland Instrumental Band**

See: *Cleland Brass Band*

### **Cleland Silver Band**

See: *Cleland Brass Band*

### **Clent Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1888

### **Cleobury Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1851

### **Cleobury Mortimer Concert Brass** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Cleobury Mortimer Town Band (to 1970), Cleobury Mortimer Silver Band (to 1984), Muller Cleobury Mortimer Band (to 2006)

### **Cleobury Mortimer Silver Band** - Shropshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cleobury Mortimer Concert Brass*

### **Cleobury Mortimer Town Band** - Shropshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cleobury Mortimer Concert Brass*

### **Clerkenwell Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1864 - rehearsing at the Red Lion, Rosoman Street, Mondays and Fridays at 8pm

### **Clerkenwell Temperance Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1860 - based at St John's Temperance Hall, 7 Corporation Row, Clerkenwell

### **Clevedon Brass** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1964 - Former names: Clevedon Youth Band (to 1984), Clevedon Brass Band

### **Clevedon Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active in 1864

### **Clevedon Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

See: *Clevedon Silver Band*

### **Clevedon Brass Band (3)** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Clevedon Brass*

### **Clevedon Silver Band** - Somerset

Formed in the 1870s as the 5th Gloucestershire Royal Artillery Band. It entered a contest in Windsor Park in 1881 and played to commemorate the jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887. Renamed Clevedon Silver Band in 1905, under the baton of Mr Fred Ware, it competed at the Crystal Palace in the 1930s. From the "Clevedon Mercury" c.1925, "The Clevedon Band, under the baton of Mr F Mogg, played a varied and well-chosen programme. Although small in number they are effective and have a sound idea of the qualities requisite to render brass music pleasingly. They were heard to the best advantage in what were the most difficult items in their repertoire. The soloists played with true regard to phrasing, and gave a fine interpretation of the various songs. Mr Mogg, the conductor, was excellent in his rendering of 'Alas! Those chimes' on the cornet. The obligato passages were played with unusual restraint and feeling, the ensemble being perfect. The balance was perfectly maintained and the expression fully sustained but not unduly stressed. Mr Mogg has the band well under control, getting an instant response to his baton and he is to be congratulated on his work". The band folded at the start of WW2.

### **Clevedon Town Band** - Somerset

See: *Clevedon Silver Band*

**Clevedon Volunteers Band** - Somerset

Active in 1899, bandmaster Mr Court

**Clevedon Youth Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Clevedon Brass*

**Cleveland County Youth Brass Band**

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Cleveland Ironworks Band**

See: *Cleveland Steelworks Band*

**Cleveland Police Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Teesside Constabulary Band

**Cleveland Steelworks Band** - South Bank, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1888 and active through to WW1. Conductors A. Blackburn in 1899, T. Winter in 1907

**Cliff Brass Band** - Whitby, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Whitby West Cliff Brass Band*

**Cliffe Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *King's Cliffe Brass Band*

**Clifford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Cliff's Brass Band** - Wortley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Messrs Cliff and Son's Brass Band*

**Cliff's Brass Band** - Wortley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s.

**Clifton and Lightcliffe Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1838 - Former names: Clifton Brass Band, Clifton Prize Band (to 1932) - Note: Records of the band (1882-1921) held in Halifax Public Library

**Clifton and Pendlebury Brass Band**

See: *Pendlebury and Clifton Brass Band*

**Clifton Brass Band** - Great Clifton, Cumberland

Active in the 1860s

**Clifton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1880s

**Clifton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Clifton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Clifton and Lightcliffe Band*

**Clifton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Clifton Certified Industrial School Band**

See: *Clifton Industrial School Band*

**Clifton Colliery Brass Band** - Great Clifton, Cumberland

Formed in July 1860, still active in 1864

**Clifton Colliery Prize Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active around 1900 and through to the 1930s.

**Clifton Industrial School Band** - Cliftonwood, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s. The school was established in 1849. The object of the school was "to save lads from the streets when driven to them by the loss or misconduct of their



parents, to give them a handicraft and to train them in honest principles". The brass band was under instructor Henry Miles, and 2 members of it had enlisted for the Band of the Scots Fusiliers and 1 for the Rifles Band. The Annual Report in April 1884 gave details of the activities of the school and a summary of the last 3 years. The average number of boys was 210 and during 1883 47 had been admitted. 10 were of the 1st class, 15 of the 2nd, 1 of the 3rd, 9 of the 4th and 3 transferred from other schools. Only 3 could read and write above the 2nd standard. Altogether over the 3 previous years 143 boys had been discharged. Situations had been found for 78 of these. 70 of them were doing well, 2 had been convicted, 1 was doubtful, 4 could not be trusted and 1 had died. 17 had been returned to friends. Of these 13 were doing well, 2 had been convicted and 2 could not be traced. 14 had gone to sea. Of these 12 were doing well. 1 had been convicted and 1 had died. 28 had emigrated. This was to Canada and situations were found for them by an agent. Of these 27 were doing well, 1 was doubtful. 5 had been discharged on account of disease. Of these 4 were doing well, 1 unknown. 1 had enlisted and was doing well. The band was still active in the early 1900s.

**Clifton Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Clifton and Lightcliffe Band*

**Clifton Public Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s

**Clifton Subscription Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1851

**Clifton Victoria Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Founded in June 1886, secretary Mr Cook.

**Clifton West End Silver Band**

Active in 1959, competing in the Spring Festival Junior Cup.

**Clifton Wood Industrial School Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

The Clifton Industrial School was established in 1849 and moved to the former parish workhouse premises at Clifton Wood in 1866. The band was formed some time after 1870, and in 1896 it consisted of 28 performers. Still active in 1903

**Clio Training Ship Band** - Bangor, Caernarfonshire

See: *Training Ship Clio Band*

**Clio Training Ship Brass Band** - Bangor, Caernarfonshire

Active in 1878

**Clipstone Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the early 1930s. Sponsored by Torque Tension Ltd in the late 1970s, still active in the 1990s.

**Clitheroe Borough Band**

See: *Clitheroe Brass Band*

**Clitheroe Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1889, bandmaster Joseph Douglas 1899-1901. Active through to 1932. The Clitheroe Brass Band Company Limited was incorporated in 1889 and dissolved between 1933 and 1948.

**Clitheroe Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to early 1900s

**Clitheroe Catholic Schools Brass Band**

See: *Clitheroe Catholic Brass Band*

### **Clive Vale Brass Band**

See: *Ore and Clive Vale Brass Band*

### **Cliviger Brass Band** - near Burnley, Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to the early 1960s.

### **Clock Face and Sutton Manor Collieries Band**

See: *Clock Face Colliery Band*

### **Clock Face Colliery Band** - St Helens, Lancashire

Active in the 1920s/1930s. Also known as Clock Face and Sutton Manor Collieries Band. Still active in 1964. Folded later in the 1960s, thought to have been a Championship band at some point. A lot of the band's music was inherited by the Bold Miners' Welfare Band which formed in 1970.

### **Clotton and Tarporley Brass Band** - Cheshire

See: *Tarporley and Clotton Brass Band*

### **Clotton T.O.R. Brass Band** - Chester, Cheshire

Active in 1897

### **Cloughfold Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

### **Cloughton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1900s

### **Clowes Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1894

### **Clowne Brass Band**

See: *Clowne Silver Prize Band*

### **Clowne Rechabites Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1890, renamed Clowne Silver Band in 1892, bandmaster Mr Taylor. Acquired new instruments in 1901, George William Bowes conductor 1906. Active through to WW1

### **Clowne Silver Band**

See: *Clowne Rechabites Brass Band*

### **Clun Brass Band (1)** - Shropshire

Active in the 1840s to 1880s

### **Clun Brass Band (2)** - Shropshire

Formed in the early 1900s by Will and John Roberts, the former being the bandmaster through to the 1930s

### **Clunie Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1867

### **Cluny Brass Band** - Fife

Active from the 1850s to 1890s.

### **Clutton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the early 1900s and the 1920s. In 1926 some of its members were engaged to help out the Downend Reed and Brass Band on Whit Monday. They were happy to be given ten shillings and six pence, plus meals and board, for a rehearsal and one engagement.

### **Clydach Brass Band** - Brecknockshire

Active in from the 1850s through to 1910, and 1948

### **Clydach Public Subscription Band**

See: *Clydach Brass Band*

- Clydach St John's Brass Band** - Brecknockshire  
Active in 1912/1913
- Clydach Town Band**  
See: *Clydach St John's Brass Band*
- Clydach Vale Band** - Brecknockshire  
Active in the 1880s to early 1900s
- Clyde Collieries and Tollcross Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Forbes Taylor in 1907
- Clyde Colliery Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Founded around 1905, conductor Mr Forsyth
- Clyde Workers Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1920s, conducted by W.H.P. McGowan in 1928
- Clydebank Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Clydebank Burgh Band*
- Clydebank Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire  
Founded in 1891. Still active in 1907
- Clydebank Burgh Band** - Dunbartonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1891 - Former names: Clydebank Brass Band, Clydebank District Band (1989-95)
- Clydebank Congregational Band** - Dunbartonshire  
Active in 1929
- Clydebank District Band** - Dunbartonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Clydebank Burgh Band*
- Clydebank Orange Band** - Dunbartonshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Clydebank R.C. Band** - Dunbartonshire  
Active from the early 1900 to the 1930s
- Clydebank Reserves Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Clydebank Town Band** - Dunbartonshire  
See: *Clydebank Brass Band*
- Clytha Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in 1861 to 1867
- Coal and Wagon Works Band** - Radstock,  
See: *Radstock Coal and Wagon Works Brass Band*
- Coal Porters' Union Brass Band** - London  
Active in 1890
- Coal Products (CPL) Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Fishburn Band*
- Coalbrookdale Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1850s. Played at the Ironbridge Fete in 1868. From the Wellington Journal and Shrewsbury News, 9th September 1905: - "Broseley Wood Potato Show - The second annual potato show was held on Saturday on Mr. M. Davies's premises, and was largely attended. The potatoes were of splendid quality. The room was tastefully decorated, and outside the premises hung a beautiful festoon containing a suitable motto. .... During the afternoon the Coalbrookdale Band discoursed an excellent selection of music, under the direction of Mr. G. Beardshaw" From the Wellington Journal and Shrewsbury News,

25th September 1909: "On Saturday the members of this band, presenting a neat and smart appearance in their new uniform, paid a visit to Broseley, and played a Choice selection of music in High Street. A collection was taken in aid of the funds." Played at the Willey Fete in 1924. Still active in the 1930s.

**Coalburn Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1902

**Coalpit Heath Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1850s to 1859

**Coaltown of Balgorie Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1900s

**Coaltown of Wemyss Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

**Coalville Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ibstock Brick Brass*

**Coalville Coronation Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Snibston & Desford Colliery Band*

**Coalville Coronation Band** - Leicestershire

See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

**Coalville Ebenezer Band** - Leicestershire

See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

**Coalville Town Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor T. Dooley in 1902

**Coalville Youth Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1980s

**Coatbridge All Saints Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1922

**Coatbridge Burgh Band**

See: *Coatbridge Town Band*

**Coatbridge Concert Brass** - Lanarkshire

[current band] - Founded in 2011

**Coatbridge Instrumental Band**

See: *Coatbridge Town Band*

**Coatbridge League of the Cross Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Coatbridge St Augustine's Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1890s to WW2

**Coatbridge Town Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1970s. In 1888, conducted by W.H. Cole, players mainly consisted of miners and ironworkers. Conducted by H. Thom in 1964.

**Coatham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1851, conductor James Earle

**Cobden Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1870s.

**Cobden Chadwick Band** - Oldham, Lancashire

Formerly known as the Zion Methodists Band from Lees, it amalgamated with the Lees and Glodwick Band to form Oldham Brass 97, in 1997. Sponsored by the Cobden Chadwick Engineering Company from the mid 1980s.

**Cobden Street Primitive Methodists Band** - Peterborough, Northamptonshire

Active in 1897

**Cobham and District Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Cobham Band*

**Cobham Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Cobham & District Band. Became all brass in 1970

**Cobridge Catholic Brass Band**

See: *Cobridge St Peter's Brass Band*

**Cobridge St Peter's Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Cobridge St Peter's Roman Catholic Band**

See: *Cobridge St Peter's Brass Band*

**Cockermouth Borough Band** - Cumberland

[no information]

**Cockermouth Brass Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Cockermouth Mechanics Band*

**Cockermouth Engineers Brass Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Cockermouth Mechanics Band*

**Cockermouth Industrial School Band** - Cumberland

The school was established in 1881 as the Cumberland County Industrial School. A report in 1882 stated "A band had been formed and the boys were being regularly drilled". The band was still active into the early 1900s

**Cockermouth Mechanics Band** - Cumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1825 - Former names - Cockermouth Brass Band, Cockermouth Engineers Brass Band

**Cockermouth Rifles Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Cockerton Brass Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Cockerton Prize Silver Band*

**Cockerton Prize Silver Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1864 - Former names: Cockerton Saxhorn Band, Cockerton Brass Band - Note: Other related bands: Darlington Saxhorn Band (1858)

**Cockerton Saxhorn Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Cockerton Prize Silver Band*

**Cockerton Sons of Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in 1910

**Cockfield Brass Band**

See: *Cockfield Prize Silver Band*

**Cockfield Prize Silver Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s. Remained active through to the 1930s

**Cockshut Hill School Brass Band** - Yardley, Warwickshire

Active in the 1980s

**Codford Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1857 to 1866

**Codicote Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor F.A. Bachelor in 1879, W. Baldwin in 1885. Still active in 1932

**Codnor Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Codnor Old Prize Band*

**Codnor Old Prize Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in July 1860 by Mr William Eyre (conductor) and his brother Joseph, it was for many years the only source of entertainment (apart from the annual wakes) in Codnor, and right royally they enlivened the village with their stirring music. The various chapels could always rely on the band on anniversary days to lead processions in the village and elsewhere, and at Christmas they would play hymns in front of the big house at Hall Farm. They also had a high reputation when they competed in numerous contests and won many prizes. It was at the height of its fame around 1905. Weekly practices were held at the Miner's Arms, the band-master and conductor being Mr William Eyre for a number of years. The band ultimately merged with the Butterfly Colliery Ambulance Band some time after 1918.

**Codnor Park Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1851 to 1874

**Codnor Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Codnor U.M.F.C. Sunday School Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Codnor United Brass Band*

**Codnor United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the late 1860s to the 1890s - linked to the Codnor United Methodist Free Church. Took part in the 44th Annual Temperance procession on Whit Monday in 1915. Starting from Somercotes, a sea of banners, flags and gaily decorated floats proceeded through Leabrooks and Riddings, gathering strength as it marched, and parading the village of Ironville before winding its way up to the Jessop Monument in Codnor Park.

**Codnor Volunteers Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

**Codnor Wesleyan Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Codnor United Brass Band*

**Coed Talon Brass Band**

Active in 1928

**Coedely (Rockwool) Band**

See: *Coedely Colliery Band*

**Coedely Colliery Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1950s to the 1990s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (Champ. Section), conducted by W.J. Priday. Also known as Coedely (Rockwool) Band. Won the Second Section at the Eighth Mineworkers' National Brass Band Contest, at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool, in 1969.

**Coedpoeth Brass Band (1)** - Denbighshire

Active from 1864 to the early 1880s. Folded sometime in the 1880s.

**Coedpoeth Brass Band (2)** - Denbighshire

See: *Coedpoeth Silver Band*

**Coedpoeth Public Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1940s

**Coedpoeth Silver Band** - Denbighshire

Formed by Joseph Wilcoxon (b. 1855), in September 1889. Conductor was Edward Roberts from 1889. In 1900 it bought a new set of Besson instruments and was to be organised by a new local committee. Active in 1910. Correspondence and papers pertaining to the band (1948) are held by Denbighshire County Council. Still active in the late 1940s

**Coed-Talon Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s.

**Coed-y-Mynach Brass Band** - Monkswood, Monmouthshire

Active in the 1990s

**Coggeshall Brass Band** - Essex

Founded by Thomas Crow. Active from 1860 to the 1900s. Conductor Thomas Crow in 1861

**Coggeshall Church School Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in 1885, bandmaster Thomas Crow

**Coggeshall Town Band**

See: *Coggeshall Amateur Brass Band*

**Coggeshall Young Men's Friendly Society Band** - Essex

Active in 1904, conductor H.J. Smith

**Cohen's (600) Brass Band**

Active in the 1940s and 1950s. Based at the George Cohen's Works in Stanningley, Leeds. Cohens was a metal merchants company. The "600" in the name refers to the company's original address at 600 Commercial Road, London.

**Cohen's Works Stanningley Band**

See: *Cohen's (600) Brass Band*

**Colchester Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1860 - Former names: Colchester Town and Volunteer Rifle Band, Colchester Town Band, Colchester Silver Band (1946-1994), Hatfields of Colchester Band

**Colchester Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1851. A successor band was formed in 1860

**Colchester Brotherhood Band** - Essex

Active in the 1950s

**Colchester Excelsior Band** - Essex

Active in 1895 and 1905, when the bandmaster was W. Fisher

**Colchester Mile End Band**

See: *Mile End Brass Band*

**Colchester Old Heath Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Colchester Silver Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Colchester Band*

**Colchester Town and Volunteer Rifle Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Colchester Band*

**Colchester Town Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Colchester Band*

**Cold Ash Brass** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Cold Ash Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1900s. Folded in the 1930s. A successor band was formed in the village in 2003

**Coldharbour and Leith Hill Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1920s and 1930s, conductor C.J. Murrell.

**Coldharbour Brass Band**

See: *Coldharbour and Leith Hill Band*

**Coldstream Brass Band** - Berwickshire

Formed in 1898. Active through the 1900s. Conductor in 1901, William Proud, when a grand bazaar was held to raise money for new instruments (aiming for £300). There had been three earlier brass bands in Coldstream.

**Coleford Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1859 through to the 1920s.

**Coleford Temperance Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1869

**Coleford Town Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed 1945, amalgamated with Yorkley Onward Band in 1994 to form Forest of Dean Brass.

**Coleorton Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1858. Active to the 1870s

**Coleorton Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1904, conductor J. Clifford

**Coleridge Road School Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1970s

**Colerne Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the early 1890s to 1926. Conductor W. Philpott in 1934. Known as Mrs Walmesley's Colerne Brass Band in 1894

**Coleshill and District Brass Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Coleshill Town Band*

**Coleshill and Maxstoke Ex-servicemen's Club Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Coleshill Town Band*

**Coleshill Concert Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Coleshill Town Band*

**Coleshill Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Coleshill Town Band*

**Coleshill Town Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Coleshill and Maxstoke Ex-servicemen's Club Band, Coleshill & District Brass Band, Coleshill Silver Band (1966), Ansells Coleshill Band, Coleshill Concert Band (1978), Coleshill Silver Band (1979-92) - Note: Other related bands: Atherstone Miners Welfare Band (to 1966)

**Colinton Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the early 1900s

**Collingwood Street Mission Band** - Lambeth, Surrey

Active in the 1900s. Based at the working men's mission in New Cut.

**Collinson's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1840 and 1850s. In 1845 "the Oddfellows of the Pleasant Retreat Lodge met at the Exchange Rooms where a portion of the excellent Collinson's Band played". In



January 1846 a fund raising tea party was held in the Exchange Rooms in aid of St. Ignatius's Boy's Schools. "Tea being over, the rooms were cleared for dancing and promenading. The band (Collinson's) strikes up, and a thousand twinkling feet are in motion, dancing without cessation, in every mood and measure". In June that year some 2,000 persons attended an afternoon's wrestling at the rear of the Dog and Partridge on Friargate. "Collinson's Brass Band was on the ground enlivening the assemblage with favourite airs in their best style". They played at a processing at Garstang in 1849, together with the Chipping Band. In August 1850 "Collinson's Band, together with the National School Band, walked in procession with some 1,570 workpeople employed by Horrocks, Miller and Co, as they made their way to Maudland Station to travel to Blackpool. On arriving at Blackpool the holidaymakers walked in procession, accompanied by the two bands, to the beach where, in addition to having donkey rides and suchlike, a considerable number of lads and lasses enjoyed a merry dance on to the lively strains of Collinson's Band".

**Collyhurst Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductors W. France in 1899, mr Abel in 1906

**Collyweston Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1.

**Colnbrook Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1854 and 1857

**Colne and Trawden United Band** - Lancashire

See: *Colne Borough Band*

**Colne Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1861 to the 1970s

**Colne Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1862. Also known as Colne Original Band

**Colne Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Colne Borough Band*

**Colne Free Church Sunday School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Secretary William Moore in 1902. Conductor J. Duerdin in 1908

**Colne Methodist Free Church Sunday School Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Colne Free Church Sunday School Brass Band*

**Colne Mount Zion Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Mount Zion Brass Band (Colne)*

**Colne Original Band** - Lancashire

See: *Colne Borough Band*

**Colne United Methodist Free Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Colne Free Church Sunday School Brass Band*

**Colsterworth Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Colston's Hospital Brass Band**

See: *Colston School Brass Band*

**Colston's School Brass Band** - Stapleton, Gloucestershire

Active in 1860 to 1884. The school was founded by Edward Colston as Colston's Hospital, later known as Colton's School

### **Coltness Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1880s. Presumed to have folded before the Coltness Works Band was formed.

### **Coltness Iron Works Silver Band - Lanarkshire**

Formed in 1898 and became First Section Scottish Champions in 1907, 1941-3, 1945 and 1949. Following a difficult period after the ravages of the 1914-18 War, the band regained its former level and glory during the 1930s and 1940s. It became Newmains and District Colliery Band in the 1950s to 1970s, then Hutchinsons Coaches Band in the 1980s and early 1990s, reverting to Newmains Band before folding in the late 1990s. Report from the Motherwell Times, Friday 14th. June 1901: "The New Masonic Halls - Laying the Memorial Stone. The procession which was marshalled at the Town Hall by Brother W. McKean, Provincial Grand Marshal, and which was the largest Masonic gathering ever seen in Motherwell, marched by the way of Clyde Street, Merry Street, Dalziel Street, Coursington Street, Park Street, Crosshill Street, Brandon Street and Muir Street to the Halls in Hope Street. The procession which was accompanied by Coltness Iron Works Band was witnessed by large crowds all along the route. When the front of the procession arrived at the building the ranks opened up to allow the Provincial Grand Officials to pass through, and to take up their position near the stone. ....Three cheers were then given, and the choir gave a spirited rendering of the "Hallelujah Chorus", after which corn was sprinkled on the stone, and the oil and wine was poured over it. The Coltness band then struck up the "Mason's Anthem" and other three cheers were given.....The ceremony concluded with the playing of the "Mason's Anthem", by the band, after which the Provincial Grand Officers returned to the platform, where they were greeted with three cheers by the brethren. Everyone joined in the rendering of "Rule Britannia", at the close of which the assemblage was photographed for the "Hamilton Herald" Supplement, by Mr. T. Johnston, photographer, Camp Street. Thereafter the company was again arranged in processional order, and proceeded by way of Muir Street, Milton Street, Calder Street, and Merry Street to the Town Hall, where the Lodge was closed in due form. The bands which accompanied the procession were the Coltness Silver Band, and the Motherwell Town Silver Band both of which more than maintained their reputation for first class music. Report from Livingstone, 17th September 1904: - The next item of importance was the laying of the Memorial Stone of the Public Library in Clyde Street. On this occasion there was a joint Lodge of St. John Dalzell, No. 406, and Lodge Livingstone St. Andrew, No. 573, with Brother Alexander Findlay, M.P., M.M. Lodge Irvine St. Andrews, No. 149, acting as Right Worshipful Master. The Office-bearers were selected from the R.W.M.s., P.M.s, Wardens and Brethren of both Lodges. The Brethren met in the Lodge-room, then paraded the principal streets (headed by the Motherwell Silver Band and Coltness Silver Band) In September, 1937, the 1st Bonkle Scout Troop celebrated its 25th anniversary. On Sunday a special "All Scout" service was held in the Scout Hut grounds. Neighbouring companies of Scouts and Guides paraded with the Bonkle companies. The address was given by the Rev. George Fraser, MA, Stoneyburn, a former minister of the church who was the first Scoutmaster of the troop. The praise was led by the Coltness Silver Band.

### **Coltness Works Band**

See: *Coltness Iron Works Silver Band*

### **Colwall Amateur Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in 1865

**Colwall Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active between 1905-1953

**Colwell Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1880s, conductor E.C. Nixon

**Colwick Railway Men's Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

**Colwyn Bay Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s.

**Colwyn Borough Band**

See: *Colwyn Town Band*

**Colwyn Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1870s, known as Old Colwyn Band by the early 1890s when it became associated with the newly formed Colwyn Volunteers. Conductor Edwin Jones in 1895. Known as Colwyn Silver Band in the 1900s to WW1.

**Colwyn Town Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the early 1930s through to the 1980s.

**Colyton Brass Band** - Devon

Formed in 1850, still active in 1932

**Colyton Excelsior Silver Band** - Devon

Active after WW2 in the 1940s and 1950s, conductor J. Isaacs

**Combe Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1847, 1894

**Combe Down Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1909

**Combe Martin Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1887

**Combmartin Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1865

**Combmartin Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1892

**Combroke Brass Band**

Played at the Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Coronation Festivities on 22nd June 1911, there were also earlier reports of this band. It is possible that the band was part of the Compton Verney Estate.

**Combrook Brass Band**

See: *Combroke Brass Band*

**Combs Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in 1893, it was made up of employees of Webb and Sons (Combs Tannery) and of men living in the village of Combs; it existed for over half a century until it was disbanded in the mid 1950's. In 1885 the Tannery employed 150 persons. There were five Williams brothers in the band and when Frank Williams got married the band presented him with a silver teapot. Conductor was R.J. Vince in 1900. The Band disbanded in 1953, the Bandmaster at that time was a Mr. Maurice Laflin The instruments were stored in a cupboard or shed and were later discovered in the 60's. They were then refurbished and loaned to the Stowmarket Schools Band, (later the Stowmarket Concert Band)

**Combs Ford Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1890s

**Combs Silver Band** - Suffolk

See: *Combs Brass Band*

**Combwich Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1864 to 1868

**Commercial Travellers' Schools Brass Band** - Pinner, Middlesex

Active in 1865 to 1868

**Compstall Brass Band** - Cheshire

Founded in 1850. Conductor Henry Tymms in 1860. Still active in the 1920s and disbanded sometime in the 1950s. Its last conductor was J Dearden. A band pavilion was erected by George Andrew for the use of the band in the grounds of the Athenaeum in Compstall in 1859. This bandstand was demolished during WW2

**Compstall Bridge Band** - Cheshire

See: *Compstall Brass Band*

**Compstall Mills Band** - Cheshire

See: *Compstall Brass Band*

**Compton Brass Band** - Compton Chamberlayne, Wiltshire

Active in 1853 and 1855. Described by a "communicative and good natured rustic" as a "terrible tidy band"

**Compton Brass Band** - Compton Pauncefoot, Somerset

See: *Compton Pauncefoot Brass Band*

**Compton Brass Band** - East Compton, Somerset

Active in the 1860s

**Compton Brass Band** - Easter Compton, Gloucestershire

See: *Easter Compton Brass Band*

**Compton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1855

**Compton Dundon Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1863

**Compton Greenfield Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1890

**Compton Pauncefoot Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1853 to 1869, largely consisting of men in the employ of John Pope - a local farming landowner.

**Compton Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Hampshire

Founded in 1888, conductor A.J. Sopp

**Comrades of the Great War Band** - Cirencester, Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Cirencester Band*

**Comrades of the Great War Band**

A good number of "Comrades of the Great War Bands" were formed following the end of WW1. These were, in the main, fairly transient groups, mainly brought together to show solidarity at civic and remembrance occasions. A few lasted into the 1920s. The members of these bands gradually picked up with the reforming and new brass bands once life began to get back to normal.

**Comrades United Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active after WW1.

**Conacher's Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Messrs Conacher and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Coney Weston Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1890s, conductor Robert Hogg

**Congden's Shop Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall

Only one reference to this band has been found - when they appeared at a Temperance Festival in 1886. One does wonder if they were formed for this one event. The village called "Congden's Shop" can be found a few miles south west of Launceston.

**Congleton Borough Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s

**Congleton Brass Band (1)** - Cheshire

Active in 1852 to 1867

**Congleton Brass Band (2)** - Cheshire

See: *Congelton Borough Band*

**Congleton Brass Band (3)** - Cheshire

See: *Berisfords Band*

**Congleton Excelsior Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Congleton Old Band** - Cheshire

See: *Congelton Borough Band*

**Congleton Volunteers Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s to early 1900s

**Congresbury Brass** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1999

**Conisbrough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Took part in the first South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, at Doncaster, on 29th August 1859, conducted by Henry Thickett. Folded in the late 1920s.

**Conisbrough United Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1900s

**Coniston Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s, conductor John Hodgson in 1858

**Coniston Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to the 1920s

**Connahs Quay Silver Band** - Chester, Cheshire

Formed in March 1894. Its first secretary was T.H. Haswell (headmaster of St Ethelwold's School, Shotton) and the first conductor was John Griffiths of Buckley (formerly a member of the Flintshire Militia Band). The band played in early May 1894 to welcome John Rowden Freme back to Connahs Quay for his 21st birthday when he would come in to his inheritance of Wepre Hall and Estate and so become squire of Connahs Quay. Amalgamated with the John Summers and Sons Steelworks Band in 1972 to form the new Deeside Silver Band. The 1 July 1911 edition of the Chester Chronicle reported: "The participants assembled near Mollington Post Office at 12.30 precisely. The Rev. J.M. New formed them into a procession and they marched to the spot (on Townfield Lane) where the tree was to be planted. In advance came the Connah's Quay Silver Prize Band, and after the band walked Mrs and Miss Olive Frost (of Mollington Hall) followed by Parish Councillors wearing rosettes of white ribbon. Next came the festivities committees wearing their badges, then the children of the parishes carrying Union Jacks, and at the rear the residents."

**Connells Sounding Brass** - Ipswich, Suffolk

Founded in 1982, then amalgamated with the Orwell Band in 1983, retaining its name. It amalgamated again, in 1985, with Ipswich Town Band, once more keeping the Connells Sounding Brass name. This band ultimately became the current Ipswich and Norwich Co-op Band following sponsorship by the Co-op in 1992 and being renamed the Ipswich Co-op Band.

**Connells Sounding Brass** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Ipswich & Norwich Co-op Band*

**Cononley Prize Brass Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1906 by conductor J. Marston, who remained at the helm until 1924. Still active in 1951.

**Cononley Subscription Band**

See: *Cononley Prize Brass Band*

**Consall Bridge Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1864

**Consett Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Morrison Busty Colliery Band (to 1974), Consett Steel Works Band, Consett BSC Works Band (to 1980), Consett Whitbread Band, Whitbread Castle Eden Band (to 1988)

**Consett Brass**

See: *Morrison and Busty Collieries Band*

**Consett Brass** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Consett BSC Works Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Consett Band*

**Consett Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1931

**Consett Gospel Temperance Silver Model Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1900s

**Consett Iron Company Workmen's Band**

See: *Consett Iron Works Band*

**Consett Iron Works Band** - Durham

Active in 1884, when it arranged a band contest in June that year. Formerly known as Blackhill Teetotal Band. Still active in 1912. Probably folded during WW1.

**Consett Mission Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1890. Active through to 1936

**Consett Steel Works Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Consett Band*

**Consett Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in 1933

**Consett Town Band** - Durham

Formed in 1936

**Consett Whitbread Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Consett Band*

**Consett Whitbread Trophy Band**

See: *Morrison and Busty Collieries Band*

**Constantine Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1848, shortly after the 'Wheal Vyvyan Mine' was opened. The first mention of a band in Constantine was in the Falmouth Packet and Cornwall Advertiser dated 18th July 1857. Around 1887 the band had a change of name, being referred to as The Volunteer Band. The explanation of this name appears quite simple, after the episode with Russia in the Crimea and the trouble with India at the time of the mutiny, it was decided the army might serve overseas in increasing numbers and that the army at home should be bolstered by a reserve force, many of whom played in the band. By 1908, after the formation of the Territorial Army, the Volunteer Band once again became Constantine Band. It is believed that when the Great War broke out the band became involved with the Territorials and joined them. When the war ended they once again reverted back to Constantine Band, and they were back in business playing at local functions like Regattas and Traditional Tea Treats. They disbanded sometime later. A successor band was formed in 1977

**Constantine Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Constantine Teetotal Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1862

**Conway**

See: *Conwy*

**Conwy Borough Band**

See: *Conwy Town Band*

**Conwy Brass Band (1)** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Conwy Brass Band (2)** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in 1861, first public engagement in March 1862. Seemed to have faded into obscurity in 1864 only to rise again "with proof that if they occasionally indulge in a long fit of slumber, they are not really defunct". Active to the 1900s. Also known as Royal Conwy Band. Forerunner of the band which was "reformed" in 1972.

**Conwy Castle Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Conwy Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in 1972. Disbanded 2007

**Conwy Volunteer Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Cookley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1855

**Coombe Bissett Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Coombe Dingle Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1910

**Coombe's Excelsior Brass Band** - Okehampton, Devon

See: *Okehampton Excelsior Brass Band*

**Coombs Silver Band**

Active in 1953

**Co-operative Funeralcare Band** - Lanarkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1918 - Former names: CWS (Glasgow) Band, Glasgow (CWS) Band, Scottish CWS Band, (to 2003), Scottish Co-op Band (to 2009)

- Co-operative Funeralcare Band North West** - Crewe, Cheshire  
[current band] - Former names: Crewe 95th ATC and Old Comrades Band, Crewe Co-operative Band, United Co-op Band (Crewe)
- Co-operative Society Prize Band (Burslem and District)** - Staffordshire  
Formed in 1884 as a military band, transformed to all brass in 1920 and renamed Longton Town Band until change of name to Co-op in 1946
- Co-operative Tobacco Factory Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
See: *C.W.S. (Manchester) Band*
- Co-operative Wholesale Society's Factory Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1907. This was the Tobacco Factory.
- Co-operative Yorkshire Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Yorkshire Co-operatives Band*
- Cooper's Royal Brass Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s through to WW1. Nicknamed the Steeplejack band after they played on top of 140 foot chimney belonging to the Co-op.
- Cope Brothers and Co. Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Founded in the early 1880s, conductor J.B. Ridge in 1885. Cope Brothers were tobacco manufacturers
- Copeland Borough Band** - Cumberland  
[previous name of current band] See: *Whitehaven Brass Band*
- Copford Brass Band** - Essex  
Active the 1890s to the 1900s. Bandmaster was F. Neer in 1905 and the band was re-organised in 1906
- Cople and Cardington Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
See: *Cardington Brass Band*
- Copleston Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Active in the 1970s.
- Copley and Skircoat Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in the 1880s - active through to the 1920s
- Copley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1859
- Copley Mill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1857
- Copley Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1880. Sponsored by Messrs. J. S. Ackroyd and Sons Mills in Halifax. It organised its own band contest in 1887. Was stil active in 1896.
- Coppenhall Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1893 when it promoted a contest
- Copperfield Brass** - Weston-Super-Mare, Somerset  
Named after the road (Copperfield Drive, Weston-Super-Mare) in which the first bandmaster (Dave Tilling) lived. The band was formed in 1979 by Dave Tilling, Eileen and John Ludlow, after being approached by some students from Bristol University. They grew to a full band by 1980 and then started contesting. The band folded in the early 1990s. It rehearsed in Worle in Weston-super-mare initially and then moved to Congresbury (Somerset). Some remnants of it now exist in a band called Congresbury Brass. While it existed the band was pretty sucessful in 4th and 3rd Section competitions. It was a member of the SWBBA.



### **Copperhouse Brass Band - Cornwall**

Copperhouse, close to Hayle, had a brass band for at least twenty years (1891-1911). They never attended any contests.

### **Coppin's Hall Barn Wesleyan Mission Band - Clacton-on-Sea, Essex**

Active in 1891

### **Coppull and Standish Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 2005

### **Coppull Subscription Band - Lancashire**

Formed in 1888 and merged in 2005 with the Standish Band to form the Coppull and Standing Band. Bandmaster in 1908 was Thomas Fishwick. An anecdote from the memoirs of William Halliwell, as related by Alan Littlemore: Mr Halliwell had a special affection for the Coppull Subscription Band, and one of his favourite stories (which he included in his memoirs 'Sixty Years with Brass Bands') concerns a certain Frank Smallshaw, who was for some time euphonium player with Coppull. Mr Smallshaw who was a native of Crawford village, near Uppholland, interested himself in brass bands as a young man, and he played with various bands in the Wigan district. On going to live in Coppull his services were soon requisitioned by the local band, and in September, 1901, he won a gold medal for euphonium playing at a Darwen contest, beating the then famous Herbert Scott of the Besses o' th' Barn Band, and other equally well known. Now let me quote the personal account of this gold medal exploit of Mr Smallshaw from Mr Halliwell's memoirs. "An incident with an interesting sequel stands out clearly and pleasantly in my memories of Coppull Subscription Band's contesting efforts in 1901. The band had been successful in several in several minor contests, and decided to enter a contest at Darwen. This entry was considered to be a too ambitious venture of them, because brass bands bordering on the top class frequently completed there. Mr Richard Stead, a famous euphonium player of the Meltham Mills Band, was appointed judge. The test piece was H Round's "Songs of England", and included the "Pilgrim of Love" song as a euphonium solo. This solo was normally rather outside the scope of the band's solo euphonium player Frank Smallshaw - but he was a trier. Smallshaw could do quite well in the dashing music of marches, quadrilles and waltzes, but a beautifully quiet sentimental song, requiring a smooth, flexible, quiet tone, with delicate articulation was rather beyond his normal capacity as a player. The bands success depended on him, and in order to improve the quality of his playing I adopted the unusual method of securing from Smallshaw a pledge that during private practice, or with the band, he would play the solo very, very quietly until I gave him leave to open out and play freely. Smallshaw's quiet play mystified his fellow bandsmen, and he had to face up to some bitter criticism and gibes from them,' Mr Halliwell goes on to relate, 'but he loyally kept his pledge to me. When the ban was lifted Smallshaw was a new man as far as that solo was concerned. At the contest he played beautifully, and Mr Richard Stead referred to his performance in the following words: "Euphonium cadenza a very artistic performance. Andante moderato? soloist plays beautifully, and with excellent taste - not overdone and Mr Stead awarded Smallshaw the medal for the best euphonium solo." "The sequel to this event", Mr Halliwell adds in telling the story, "was that Smallshaw brought the medal to me and said, 'Here Mr Halliwell, this is your medal, not mine.' Of course, I refused it and expressed a hope that we should win some more medals to keep it company. Smallshaw's reply was startling, 'There'll be no more - not for me - I'm stoppin' while I'm a good un.' And so Smallshaw went into honourable retirement from

brass band contesting. Years later he visited the Belle Vue Championship Contest, and I had the opportunity of indulging a gentle "leg pull" by enquiring for the other medals." Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by R. Evans.

**Copthorne Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1902

**Cora Corson's Instrumentalists**

Active in 1918. A professional touring brass band of American ladies

**Corah and Sons' Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

See: *St Margaret's Works Brass Band*

**Corbett's Family Silver Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in 1878 to 1899. A band formed and owned by Mr E.R. Corbett. John Thompson, bandmaster, was associated with the band until his death in 1882.

**Corbridge Brass Band** - Durham

Active from 1861 to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Grey in 1867, J. Walton in 1895

**Corby Beanfield School Band** - Corby, Northamptonshire

Active from the late 1960s to the late 1990s. In 1981 the band had reached the 2nd section after winning the 3rd section finals in 1979 - one of the few school bands to reach this level. The conductor at the time was Donald Manning who also conducted the Kettering Citadel Band. The school closed several years ago and along with this the band.

**Corby Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Corby Silver Band*

**Corby Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1904, conductor George Rice. Richard Dixon was treasurer. He was still playing in the band in 1935, together with two other founding members, Charles Dixon (his son), and Fred Brooks. Conductor W. Boon in 1933/34. Also known as Corby Charter Band, and Corby Silver Band

**Corby Charter Band**

See: *Corby Brass Band*

**Corby District Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1980s and early 1990s

**Corby District Council Band**

See: *Corby District Brass Band*

**Corby Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Corby Brass Band - Note: Formed for the 1902 Corby Pole Fair, and has been going ever since, with their own Club, The Corby Silver Band Club, in Denford Road Corby

**Corden Street Brass Band**

See: *Corden Street Methodist Brass Band*

**Corden Street Methodist Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Fred Cripps conductor in 1908. C. James conductor in 1929

**Corden Street Mission Silver Band**

See: *Corden Street Methodist Brass Band*

**Cordes Works Brass Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire

Active in 1859. J.J. Cordes & Co. Ltd was a firm of nail manufacturers

**Corfe Band of Hope Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1863

**Corfe Castle Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1860s. Conductors Mr Upwards in 1867, F. White in 1869, H. Stockley in 1902, and W. Wiseman in 1914. One of their instruments, an Ophicleide possibly, is on display in the Corfe Castle Museum. The band was re-organised in 1908

**Corfe Mullen Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Secretary Edwin Lucas in 1877

**Cornerstone Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**Corngreaves Brass Band** - Cradley Heath, Staffordshire

Active in 1855. Possibly linked to the British Iron Company works at that location.

**Cornholme Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the mid-1860s through to the end of the 1920s. Took part, with 9 other bands in June 1873, in the Third Todmorden Brass Band Contest. In July 1891, they came first in a contest at Belle Vue Manchester winning £20 and a cornet worth £12 12/-. They performed well at local and national contests in subsequent years. On 24th July 1875, they won the first prize - £25 and an instrument worth £15 15/- at the Grand National Brass Band Context in Hawick. Mr E. Swift conducted the band at many events.

**Cornsay Colliery Band** - Durham

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s, and may have had a resurgence after WW2. Re-organised in 1906. Folded around 1950 and some surviving members joined the newly formed Esh Winning Colliery Welfare Band.

**Cornsay Institute Band**

See: *Cornsay Colliery Silver Band*

**Cornsay Orchestral Band** - Durham

Active in 1891

**Cornsay Prize Silver Band**

See: *Cornsay Colliery Silver Band*

**Cornwall Band**

See: *Training Ship Cornwall Brass Band*

**Cornwall Training Ship Band**

See: *Training Ship Cornwall Brass Band*

**Cornwall Youth Brass Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1955

**Corporation Cleansing Department Holt Town Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1892

**Corporation Cleansing Department Water Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1892

**Corpus Christi Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**Corpusty and Saxthorpe Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s and 1930s

**Corpusty Brass Band**

See: *Corpusty and Saxthorpe Brass Band*

**Corringham Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1902 and 1904, uniforms of blue and gold.

**Corris and Aberllefenni Band** - Merioneth

Active in the 1890s

### **Corris and District Band**

See: *Corris Brass Band*

### **Corris Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active from the late 1860s to the 1920s. Known as Corris and District Band from the 1930s to the early 1950s. Still in existence in the 1980s

### **Corse Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s. Conductor G. Stafford in 1887

### **Corse Lawn Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1900s and the 1910s. Conductor S. Upton in 1904

### **Corsham Brass Band (1)** - Wiltshire

Active in 1865 to 1867

### **Corsham Brass Band (2)** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded around 1880

### **Cortonwood Colliery Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950/60s. Competed in the Senior Trophy, in 1962, conducted by M Thompson

### **Corus (Port Talbot) Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tata Brass Band*

### **Corus Concert Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tata Brass Band*

### **Corwen Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1857, conductor T. Smith. Still active in 1865

### **Cory Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: Ton Pentre Temperance Band, Cory Workmen's Silver Band (1895), Cory Band, Christie Tyler Cory Band, Just Rentals Cory Band, Buy As You View Cory Band, Buy As You View Band ( to 2007) - Note: Originally formed by conductor John Treharne the band played at the opening of the Colliery Library in Gelli in 1895 where the ceremony was led by the mining magnate Sir Clifford Cory. He employed Mr Ambler from Black Dyke as professional conductor and the band rehearsed in the blacksmith's shop at the Gelli Colliery. Claim to have been the first brass band to broadcast on the radio.

### **Cory Junior Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1999 - Note: Original formed in 1934

### **Cosby Amateur Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in the mid 1870s, through the instrumentality of Mr Lloyd of the New Inn. Still active in 1894

### **Cosby Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Cosby Amateur Brass Band*

### **Cosby St Michael's Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s

### **Cosby Temperance Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s

### **Coseley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Known as Coseley Excelsior Band from 1906, bandmaster Thomas Porter.

### **Coseley Excelsior Band**

See: *Coseley Brass Band*

- Cosgrove Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1890s, conductor F. Green
- Cosgrove's Brass Band** - Great Yarmouth, Norfolk  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- Cosham Concert Brass Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Denmead Brass Band*
- Cossall Brass Band**  
See: *Cossall Colliery Band*
- Cossall Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. In 1894 it rehearsed on Tuesdays at the Commercial Inn, with John Hunt, conductor; William Hardy, secretary (30 Norman Street, Cotmanhay)
- Cossham and Wethered's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Kingswood Colliery Brass Band*
- Costessey School Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1970s
- Cotgrave and Nottingham Brass Band**  
See: *Cotgrave Teetotal Brass Band*
- Cotgrave and South Nottingham Teetotal Band**  
See: *South Nottinghamshire Temperance Band*
- Cotgrave Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Cotgrave Miners Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1970s, 1980s
- Cotgrave Teetotal Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active from 1875 to the 1930s. Renamed Cotgrave and Nottingham Brass Band in 1881, then South Nottinghamshire Temperance Band. Won the "Iles Challenge Shield" in the Crystal Palace Championships of 1926
- Cotleigh Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1863 to 1866
- Cotmanhay Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1850
- Coton Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1866
- Coton Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Coton in the Elms Brass Band*
- Coton Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1919 - based near Tamworth.
- Coton Hill Hospital Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1900s. Coton Hill Institution for the Insane was opened in 1854. A Theatre and Recreation Room was erected around 1890 which may have sparked the birth of the band.
- Coton in the Elms Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Formed around 1910 with Harold Coates as bandmaster. Renamed Coton Silver Prize Band following successes at contests at Leicester and Belle Vue. Folded at the start of the Second World War.
- Cotswold Brass Band** - Cheltenham, Gloucestershire  
Active from 1864 to 1871

## **Cottage Homes Bands**

For more about the Cottage Homes movement and care of orphan children, see:  
[www.childrenscottagehomes.org.uk](http://www.childrenscottagehomes.org.uk). See also a list of industrial and reformatory schools,  
which often had bands as part of their "education" - [www.missing-ancestors.com](http://www.missing-ancestors.com)

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Banstead, Surrey

See: *Banstead Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Countesthorpe,

See: *Countesthorpe Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Culcheth, Lancashire

See: *Culcheth Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Fulwood, Lancashire

See: *Fulwood Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Greenwich and Deptford Union,

See: *Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Hornchurch, Essex

See: *Hornchurch Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Medomsley,

See: *Medomsley Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

See: *Salford Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Shenley Fields,

See: *Shenley Fields Cottage Homes Band*

### **Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Styal, Cheshire

See: *Styal Cottage Homes Brass Band*

### **Cottenham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1975

### **Cottenham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. A successor band was formed in 1974

### **Cotteridge Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1890s to 1910s. Albert Woodbine conductor in 1906. Acquired new uniforms in 1900

### **Cottingham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in 1859. Conductor Mr Johnson in 1869. Later known as Cottingham Prize Silver Band, then reverted to Cottingham Band. Folded in 2010.

### **Cottingham Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. G. Bruce bandmaster in 1899

### **Cottingham Prize Silver Band**

See: *Cottingham Brass Band*

### **Cottingham Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1875

### **Cottingham Wesleyan Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

It boasted an extensive repertoire. One of the highlights of their year was leading the annual Sunday School outing that continued right up until 1939. The band reformed for a short time after World War II.

- Cotton Lane Brass Band** - Litchurch, Derbyshire  
Active in 1863. The band was formed of workmen from Messrs Eastwood and Sons' at the Railway Iron Works, Cotton Lane, Litchurch, Derby. In 1864 they led the company workers on a procession to the station, and thence to Buxton for a day's excursion.
- Coughton Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1851
- Councillor Barton's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in 1897
- Coundon Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1880s.
- Coundon Silver Band**  
See: *Keresley and Coundon Brass Band*
- Coundon Star Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1860s to 1890s
- Coundon Wedge Concert Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1980s.
- Countess of Zetland's Brass Band** - Gilling West, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1843
- Countesthorpe Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1860s, with conductor Felix Gill. Raised £10 towards the new church clock. Conductor in 1894/1899 was Frederick Johnson
- Countesthorpe Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1920s, conducted by F. Green in 1895, R. Iliffe in 1905. The home was opened in 1884 consisting of eleven "cottages"
- Court Bishop Latymer Foresters' Brass Band** - Hammersmith, Middlesex  
Active in 1862
- Courtois Brass Band Union** - London  
Active in 1867, 1868. A professional band based in London
- Cove Brass** - Farnborough, Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2015
- Covenham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1865
- Coventry and Keresley Colliery Band**  
See: *Coventry Colliery Band*
- Coventry Boys Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jaguar Land Rover Band*
- Coventry City Police Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *West Midlands Police Band*
- Coventry City Police Band**  
See: *Coventry Police Band*
- Coventry Colliery Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1930s through to the late 1950s
- Coventry CPA [Centre for the Performing Arts] Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Coventry Brass*
- Coventry Festival Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jaguar Land Rover Band*

- Coventry Festival Band** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Coventry Festival Junior Band
- Coventry Festival Junior Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Coventry Festival Band*
- Coventry Imperial Band** - Warwickshire  
Began life in the 1960s as Coventry City Junior Band or "B" Band, the renamed Coventry Imperial in the 1970s. Folded in the mid 1980s.
- Coventry Juvenile Temperance Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1857, conductor Mr Sleath. Still active in 1859
- Coventry Model Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1860
- Coventry Police Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1960s and 1970s
- Coventry Public Band**  
See: *Coventry Ragged School Brass Band*
- Coventry Ragged School Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Renamed Coventry Public Band in 1885, conductor W.H. Lower
- Coventry Rifles Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1870s
- Coventry Saxhorn Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1860. Conductor Thomas E. Carter in 1863. Still active in 1865
- Coventry School of Music Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Coventry Brass*
- Coventry School of Music Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jaguar Land Rover Band*
- Coventry Silver Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1912, when S.A. Dyche was conductor. Still active in the 1950s.
- Coventry Temperance Brass Band (1)** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1861. Folded prior to 1900.
- Coventry Temperance Brass Band (2)** - Warwickshire  
Founded in 1901, disbanded in 1905
- Coventry United Temperance Band**  
See: *Coventry Temperance Brass Band (2)*
- Coventry Vauxhall W.M.C. Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s
- Coverdale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Based at Carlton-in-Coverdale. Active in the 1860s and the 1920s.
- Cowbridge Town Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1890 and 1901
- Cowden Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1857
- Cowdenbeath Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from the 1890s. The Band instructor in 1908 was Mr Muddiman. Earlier name: Cowdenbeath Public Band. Later became Longannet Colliery Band (Cowdenbeath). Active in 1948. Merged with Kelty and Blairadam Band in 1999 to form Kingdom Brass.
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### **Cowdenbeath Burgh Band**

See: *Cowdenbeath Brass Band*

### **Cowdenbeath Public Band**

See: *Cowdenbeath Brass Band*

### **Cowes Concert Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: East and West Cowes Town Band (to 1980s)

### **Cowgill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858

### **Cowie Colliery Band**

See: *Bannockburn Colliery Band*

### **Cowley Boys Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Cowley Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1880s

### **Cowley Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

See: *Morris Motors Band*

### **Cowling Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1896 and folded around 1954. Tom Snowden, trombone, was a founder member, and later M.P. for Accrington. Bandmaster A. Bradley in the 1900s. The band did not contest between 1943 and its demise. Kenneth Smith was a member from 1945 to 1954, and his father and two grandfathers played in the band, and appear in a photograph of 1926. An article from the "Craven Herald" 1st July 1932. - "Mr. John Smith of no. 9 Middleton, Cowling, on Saturday attained his 84th birthday, which was celebrated by a gathering at his home by members of his family and friends. He also developed a liking for instrumental music, and became a well-known cornet player and brass band conductor. He was the solo cornet player in the first Cowling Brass Band, which had its headquarters in Winkholme. There are now only two surviving members of this band, Mr. John Smith and Mr. Edward Smith of Summerhouse Farm. The conductor of this band was Mr. Simm Redman, also a noted musician in his day. During his residence in Lothersdale, Mr. Smith formed a Brass Band, of which he was conductor, and on returning to Cowling also formed the present Cowling Temperance Brass Band, which he served as conductor for many years. From early youth Mr. Smith has possessed a remarkable facility for music writing. In the old days he often copied out parts for choirs when printed copies were too expensive to buy, and has done much work in the way of transposing music for brass bands. Some years ago he published a book of hymn-tunes, containing a collection of tunes which he had composed during his life, and this publication has been much in demand. Brass Bands in many parts of the country have played his hymn tunes, and he has had many letters of appreciation of his music, including some from abroad. The first of these tunes called "The Green" was composed on the village green at Cowling Hill when he was 20, and the last, appropriately named "Eventide", he wrote at the age of 80. He gave many of his tunes attractive titles derived from local place names, such as "Cowling", "Wood House", "Scar View", "West View", and "Gill Top".

### **Cowmes Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869, conductor J. Mallinson

**Cowpen and Crofton Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1880s as Cowpen Colliery Band, but was supported by both collieries. It was actively contesting up to 1986 when it folded shortly after the closure of Bates Colliery which had supported the band.

**Cowpen and Crofton Workmen's Band** - Northumberland

See: *Cowpen and Crofton Band*

**Cowpen Colliery Band (1)** - Northumberland

Active in 1865. In 1867 it played at the launch of a new lifeboat at Blyth in May that year. Conductor George Garrett in 1871. Still active in the 1880s

**Cowpen Colliery Band (2)** - Northumberland

See: *Cowpen and Crofton Band*

**Cowpen Quay Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1878

**Cowshill Band**

See: *Upper Weardale Band*

**Coxhoe Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Coxhoe Temperance Band*

**Coxhoe Silver Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s, and supported by the Coxhoe Colliery. Folded in the late 1930s.

**Coxhoe Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1860s and active through to the early 1880s. Conductor W. Davison in 1865, T. Bell in 1867. Probably had folded by the time the Silver Band arose in the 1890s.

**Coxlodge and Hazelrig Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in the early 1960s when it rehearsed in the "Victoria and Comet" pub directly opposite the Newcastle Upon Tyne Central Railway Station.

**Coxlodge and Walker Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1914

**Coxlodge Colliery Band** - Northumberland

See: *Coxlodge Institute Band*

**Coxlodge Institute Band** - Northumberland, ## 6 ##, Thought to have been formed in 1808, was an important feature in the social life of the area. It was particularly known for having provided the music for a ball held underground to mark the opening of Gosforth Colliery in 1823. On Christmas mornings in the early 1900s carols were played at various parts of the village, the last performance being at the Coxlodge Hotel where each bandsman received a 10s note and a free drink. The band folded in the late 1950s. A successor band was formed shortly afterwards - ## 7 ##, Coxlodge and Hazelrig Colliery Band

**Cradley Excelsior Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1920s

**Cradley Forge Saxhorn Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1867

**Cradley Heath Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the early 1860s to 1890s. Conductor Mr Wallis in 1866. Also active in 1950

**Cradley Heath Town Prize Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1900s to the 1930s

**Cradley Heath Victory Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1920s

**Cragg Vale and Mytholmroyd Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed prior to 1938. In 1939 the musical director, J.W. Lawton, resigned. T. Radcliffe and Co. Ltd., the manufacturers of Moderna blankets in Mytholmroyd, took over Cragg Vale and Mytholmroyd band in Feb 1948 and gave them 12 months to prove their worth. On 1st January 1949 it changed name to Moderna Blanket Works Band. The band remained active through to the mid 1950s at least.

**Cragg Vale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1880s

**Cragg Vale Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Craghead Colliery Band** - Stanley, Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Reg Vardy Band*

**Craghead Colliery Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Former names: Sacriston Colliery Band (to 2005)

**Craigmillar and Duddingston Brass Band**

See: *Duddingston Brass Band*

**Craike Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Crayke Brass Band*

**Cramlington Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1860. Conductor J.R. Mason in 1865. Won a contest in North Shields in 1877, £10, conducted by Mr Wood

**Cramlington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1859 when it came second at a contest at Cramlington. Still active in 1894

**Cramlington Colliery Excelsior Brass Band**

See: *Cramlington Colliery Band*

**Cramlington Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1859 when it won a contest at Felton

**Cramlington Village Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1887

**Cranborne Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1861 to 1869

**Cranbrook Brass Band** - Kent

Founded in 1864 by the local organist Mr Pain. Conductor Rowland Small in 1865. A successor band was formed in the 1920s

**Cranbrook Town Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in the 1920s

**Crane Moor and Stainborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Crane Moor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1870s through to the 1900s

**Cranham Band** - Essex

Extracts from MR J D Birchall's Diary referring to a Cranham band (Mr Birchall was one of the two Lords of the Manor to the village he lived nearby at Bowden Hall in Upton St Leonards). "April 7th 1874 (Tuesday) - Invited 180 school children to tea and an entertainment in the grounds nothing could be more successful we obtained the service of the Cranham band. We had incalculable quantities of cake and bread and butter. (Cranham children were included)". "December 26th 1874 (Saturday) - Most Brilliant day

we had the Cranham band to enliven us whilst we skated." Active in 1895, conducted by Mr Gilbanks. From a village memoir: "Mr Clash one time publican at the Black Horse in the 1920's. His band used to provide music for the regular dances held at the Institute in the village. The instruments were stored in his garage. However on one occasion a fight broke out and the instruments were used as weapons of war, most were so twisted or damaged that it was the end of the band, and thereafter bands from outside the village had to be brought in." There has been a regular feast in Cranham for very early times. Since before the First World War the feast became associated with the Holloway Society. The marching brass bands that accompanied the boundary beaters usually came from surrounding villages. This marching was later reduced and became a march through the village playing at stops on the way to the church for a service. Slowly this is a feature that has been lost due to the difficulty of getting a marching band. Today the Salvation Army band just comes to play at the service.

**Cranleigh Brass Band (1) - Surrey**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor Mr Blackledge

**Cranleigh Brass Band (2) - Surrey**

See: *Cranleigh Youth Band*

**Cranleigh Youth Band - Surrey**

Formed in November 1971 by its Musical Director, Norman Every, with 6 children and 1 trumpet, 2 cornets, a tenor and baritone horn. Became Cranleigh Brass Band in the 1980s. Probably folded as a full brass band in the 1990s, although various youth music bands carried on in the town.

**Cranswick Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in the 1850s and the 1890s

**Crantock Brass Band - Cornwall**

A mile or so south of Newquay, this band was in existence in 1888. This is the only reference found to an engagement. Not surprisingly, they were not a contesting band.

**Craven Amateur Brass Band - Silsden, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1863, conductor G.O'Brien

**Craven Brass Band - Middlesex**

Active in 1898. Based at the Craven Park Mission.

**Craven's Works Brass Band - Darnall, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1890s and through to at least 1919.

**Crawley Down Band - Sussex**

Active in 1904

**Crawley Silver Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1950s

**Crawley Temperance Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1880s to early 1900s

**Crawley Town Prize Band - Sussex**

Formed in 1861 and still active in 1935

**Crawley Village Band - Sussex**

Active in 1905

**Crawshawbooth Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1858 and in the early 1900s

**Cray Temperance Band**

See: *St Mary Cray Temperance Band*

**Cray Valley School** - Sidcup, Kent

Active in the 1970s

**Crayford Amateur Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1858

**Crayford Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1870s to 1880s

**Crayke Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1859

**Crays and Orpington Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Orpington and Crays Brass Band*

**Crediton Community Brass** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *Crediton Town Band*

**Crediton Engineers Band** - Devon

Active in 1881

**Crediton Subscription Band** - Devon

Active in the 1860s

**Crediton Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1984 - Former names: Crediton Community Brass

**Crediton Town Band** - Devon

It can trace its origins back to the middle of the nineteenth-century and it is quite possible that it functioned before then. It was active in 1862. Its fortunes were somewhat sporadic and lapsed, probably around the Great War. For most of the inter war period it was headquartered at the King's Arms and used the Inn for practice. In those days the bandmaster was Mr J Bennellick. It was subsidised by a small grant from the Urban District Council and in return they were required to play at a certain number of events each year. They gave regular concerts in Newcombes Meadow roughly where the St. Boniface Statue now stands. In the 1930s there were rows of wooden seats built into the hillside. Ron Hamlin remembers that it was a very cold spot, and some evenings they would play to an audience that consisted purely of one or two friends and relatives of the Band. They also used to play in the High Street and each year lead the Carnival and Armistice Day processions. It experienced a great revival in the 1930s, when it became the tradition for the band to play at the April Great Market when drovers brought their cattle into the High Street for sale. In 1950 players started to go to other bands, and there was bad feeling among the members. The minutes for a meeting in 1954 record that: "The bandmaster Mr S W Setter thanked the Band for their support in the past and expressed the hope for renewed enthusiasm and full practices in the future. Without good practices the Band can do nothing, with such a small party we must be all in". In fact the Band continued until 1963 but with very limited support. A successor band was formed in 1983.

**Creech Brass Band** - Creech St Michael, Somerset

Active in 1867

**Creed Church Institute Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1895

**Creetown Silver Band** - Kirkcudbrightshire

[current band] - Founded in 1880

- Cremorne Brass Band** - Chelsea, Middlesex  
Active in 1852 to 1862. This band was the "house" band of the Cremorne Gardens, popular pleasure gardens by the side of the River Thames
- Crescent Iron Works Band** - Salford, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Cressage Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1862
- Cressbrook Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1881 - Former names: Cressbrook Silver Band
- Cressbrook Silver Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cressbrook Band*
- Creswell Colliery and District Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Creswell Colliery Brass Band*
- Creswell Colliery Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1899 - Former names: Creswell Colliery & District Band, Creswell Colliery Brass Band, Creswell Rexco Band
- Creswell Rexco Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Creswell Colliery Brass Band*
- Crewe 95th ATC and Old Comrades Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band North West*
- Crewe Borough Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Crewe Brass** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1989 - Former names: South Cheshire Young Brass, Normid 2000 Band (to 1998), United Norwest 2000 Brass (to 2005), United Co-op 2000 Brass, United Co-op 2000 Community Brass Band (to 2011)
- Crewe Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1856, 1862
- Crewe Carriage Works Silver Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1880s to 1900s
- Crewe Co-operative Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band North West*
- Crewe Engineers Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Crewe Locomotive Steam Works Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Crewe Steam Sheds Band*
- Crewe Squadron A.T.C. Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1940s to 1950s
- Crewe St Barnabas' Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Crewe Steam Sheds Band** - Cheshire  
Founded in 1863. Active to the 1930s. Leader Mr Lockey (manager of the steam sheds department at the railway works) in 1863. Conductor George Rogerson in 1868. Competed in the Grand Shield in 1936 and the Senior Cup in 1937.
- Crewe Temperance Silver Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s through to WW2.

**Crewe West End Silver Band** - Cheshire

Active from the early 1900s through to the 1960s. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1949.

**Crewkerne Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Crewkerne Town Band*

**Crewkerne Concert Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1922 - Former names: Crewkerne Town Silver Band

**Crewkerne Concert Band** - Somerset

Active from the late 1960s / early 1970s through to the early 1990s. The band's instruments and music were taken up by the current Phoenix Brass Band which formed in 1995.

**Crewkerne Town Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1850s to the 1980s. Conductor G. Frost in 1884.

**Crewkerne Town Silver Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewkerne Concert Band*

**Crewkerne Volunteer Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s and 1900s, T. Sibley conductor in 1904

**Crich Brass** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 2001

**Crich Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in 1885 by George Hawksley and others. One member, in 1902, was William (Bill) Barnes (George Hawksley's brother-in-law) who played Bbb bass. Band was still active in the 1950s under the name of Crich United Silver Prize Brass Band, conducted by Sam Hollinsworth. The band folded in the early 1960s.

**Crich Carr Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

**Crich United Silver Prize Brass Band**

See: *Crich Brass Band*

**Crichel Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1900s, conductor G. Harris. Located at either Long Crichel or More (Moor) Crichel

**Crick Brass Band**

See: *Crick Excelsior Band*

**Crick Excelsior Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s to late 1920s. W. Simms conductor in 1906 and 1911. T. Lewis also in 1911

**Cricklade Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1887

**Cricklade Brass Band**

See: *Cricklade Town Band*

**Cricklade Excelsior Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1920s.

**Cricklade Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1891 and 1904

**Cricklade Town Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Bandmaster Mr Nash from the 1890s to 1914

**Cricklewood Midland Locomotive Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s

**Crieff Brass Band** - Perthshire

See: *Crieff Town Band*

**Crieff Town Band** - Perthshire

Active from 1858. Folded in the 1980s

**Crigglestone Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s

**Crigglestone Colliery Temperance Band**

See: *Crigglestone Brass Band*

**Crigglestone Welfare Band**

See: *Crigglestone Brass Band*

**Cripplestyle Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Crittalls Works Band** - Braintree,

Active in the 1930s. Took part in the Colchester Carnival in 1937, conducted by AM Knight.

**Crockerton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Croesoswallt Brass** - Oswestry, Shropshire

Youth band active in the 1980s.

**Croft and Hurworth Saxhorn Brass Band**

Active in 1871

**Croft Brass and Reed Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1913, disbanded in 1914.

**Croft Brass Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Croft Silver Band*

**Croft Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s to 1910s. Conductor, Mr Robinson in 1894, W. Hutchinson in 1895-1900, S. Armston in 1900

**Croft Silver Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1924 - Former names: Croft Band - Note: Earlier Croft Brass and Reed band founded in 1913, but did was disbanded in 1914.

**Crofthead Brass Band (1)** - Fauldhouse, West Lothian

Active in from the 1850s to the 1880s

**Crofthead Brass Band (2)** - Fauldhouse, West Lothian

Active in from 1903 in the early 1900s, presumably replacing the failed Crofthead Public Brass Band

**Crofthead Public Brass Band** - Fauldhouse, West Lothian

Revived in 1893, it's demise was subsequently reported in 1901. Conductor George Peacock in 1899

**Crofthouse Brass Band**

Formed in 1840, still active in 1896

**Crofton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Crofton Silver Band*

**Crofton Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1873 - Former names: Crofton Brass Band, Crofton Silver Band (1936), Nostell Colliery Band (1955-93)



**Crofton Workmen's Band** - Blyth,  
Between 1959 and 1962 it rose from the 4th Section to the 1st Section in successive years, the first band to do so. It folded around 1983.

**Crofts End Brass Band**  
See: *Crofts End Mission Band*

**Crofts End Mission Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1950s. William Brown (d. 1910) was its president. Conductor G.A. Brown in 1913, George Brown in 1930

**Crofts End Mission Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1907

**Cromer and Sheringham Brass** - Norfolk  
[current band] - Founded in 1956 - Former names: Cromer and Sheringham Silver Band

**Cromer and Sheringham Silver Band** - Norfolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cromer and Sheringham Brass*

**Cromer Boys Band** - Norfolk  
Formed in 1948. Merged with Sheringham Temperance Band in 1956 to form Cromer and Sheringham Silver Band

**Cromford Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Formed in 1859. Still active in 1861

**Crompton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *High Crompton Brass Band*

**Cromwell Juvenile Temperance Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1887

**Cron dall Schools Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1900s. The District Pauper School, for the pauper children of Hartley-Wintney, Farnham, and Alton Union, was built at Cron dall in 1856, with room for about 200 children.

**Cronkeyshaw Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
Active in 1855

**Crook Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Crook Saxhorn Band*

**Crook Saxhorn Band** - Durham  
Active in 1864, conductor G. Elgey, Still active in the 1880s

**Crook Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1890

**Crooke and Kirkless Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Standish Band*

**Crooke and Kirkless Welfare Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Standish Band*

**Crooke Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Standish Band*

**Crooke Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Standish Band*

**Crooke Miners Welfare Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Standish Band*

**Crooke Miners Welfare Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Standish Band*

**Crookes Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s through to the 1920s

**Crookes Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1910s

**Crookhall Bradley Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

**Crookhall Colliery Band**

Founded in 1924 as the Victory Pit Crookhall Colliery Band, led the championship tables in the North-East in the 1950s and 60s. Known as Crookhall Bradley Band in 1966/7.

Following the colliery's closure sponsorship came from Patchogue Plymouth, a fibres division of the American oil company Amoco, and the band became the Patchogue

Plymouth Amoco Band. The parent company were impressed with the band to the extent it took over the sponsorship and the band became the Amoco Band in around 1976.

However it did not last and the band folded around 1980.

**Crookhall Model Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

**Crookhall Patchogue Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

**Crook's Brass Band** - Ryde, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1850 and 1860s

**Cropredy Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1893

**Cropwell Brass Band** - Cropwell Butler, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1862

**Crosby Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Formed in December 1878, conducted by Thomas Teare. Renamed Crosby Diamond Jubilee Band in 1897. Still active in the 1900s

**Crosby Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1872, playing at the Crosby Hall estate at Little Crosby.

**Crosby British Legion Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1940s into the early 1960s.

**Crosby Diamond Jubilee Band**

See: *Crosby Brass Band (Isle of Man)*

**Crosby Ravensworth Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1890s

**Crosby St Luke's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Crosby Villa Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s

**Crosfields Perfection Soap Works Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Founded in 1899. Active to the late 1930s. Bandmaster George Bedforth in 1908.

**Crosland Moor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Cross Gates Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Cross Hills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor G. Holloway, leader G. Smith in 1860

**Crossford Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863

**Crossgates Brass Band** - Fife

See: *Crossgates Instrumental Band*

**Crossgates Brass Band** - Radnorshire

Active in 1858, conductor Mr Wilding (who ran the Builder's Arms Inn)

**Crossgates Instrumental Band** - Fife

Formed in 1865 or 1866 following a subscription fund being set up. Over £20 had been collected by August 1865. Active through to WW1. Re-organised in 1905, conductor R. Gillies

**Crossgates Public Band** - Fife

See: *Crossgates Instrumental Band*

**Crosshouse Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863

**Crosskeys Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crosskeys Silver Band*

**Crosskeys Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Crosskeys Band, Crosskeys Prize Band - Note: First conductor was M. W. Treasure and founding players included members from the Risca North Colliery Band and the Risca Town Military Band

**Crossley Brothers Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1940s and early 1950s. Crossley Brothers made stationary engines and internal combustion engines, and later became part of the Rolls Royce group. Known as 49th Lancashire Home Guard Band during WW2.

**Crossley Lads Club Brass Band** - Openshaw, Lancashire

Joseph Frith was asked by Sir William Crossley, the founder of the Lads' Club, in 1892 to start a brass band there. He remained as it's bandmaster until 1922. He gave up 2 evenings a week and a Sunday afternoon for band practice. Highly successful, the band won many prizes in festivals and competitions. Still active in 1935

**Crossley's Carpet Works Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1950, wound up in 1969. Records of the band 1950-1969 held in Halifax Public Library. Tim Mutum recorded: The origins of the band date back to December 1949 when fifteen workers at the Crossley factory near Halifax and two others, provided the music for the firm's works carol service. From that nucleus the band quickly became established aided by generous support from the company, winning its first contest in 1951 - the Fourth Section Area contest. Like many a band it secured a quality conductor, this time in the shape of John Harrison who joined in 1952, and who became the driving force behind the band's subsequent successes. Harrison had conducted Brighouse and Rastrick although he was only musical director for a year, whilst his major playing success had been with Cresswell Colliery where he played cornet and soprano. He left Crossley in 1955 but returned in 1958. During the 1960s he continued to conduct Crossley until its demise, and from 1964, was also professional conductor for a time at Cory, commuting from Halifax. There was to be no further lower section Area titles for the band, but promotion through the sections meant that by 1953 they were competing in the Championship Section against the likes of Black Dyke and Brighouse. In 1955 Crossley Carpet Works Band were competing in the Nationals at the Royal Albert Hall, courtesy of coming runner up at the Yorkshire Area. Harrison, having left earlier in the year after

the Area success, Willie Wood took them to the Final. It was the sign that the band had arrived in the 'big time', and help retain. Their new found status quality players such as Bernard Bygraves, previously of Brighouse and Black Dyke (and Ferodo as mentioned previously) were persuaded to join. Eventually, this led to a large reduction in the number of players employed by Crossleys, and by the early 1960s only about 20% of the band were employed by the company. Crossley was now a force in Yorkshire, coming third at the Area in 1959 and 1961, winning the title in 1962 and coming runner up in 1964. They were placed third at the Nationals in 1961, and in 1962 went one better finishing second to CWS (Manchester), beaten only by one of the truly great contest winning performances on Verdi's overture 'The Force of Destiny'. Their last appearance at London in 1964 saw them drawn 16 on 'Variations on a Ninth' - coming out of the prizes. Their first appearance at the British Open came in 1956, although the band had failed to win the Grand Shield in the previous few years. The 'one off' appearance under Willie Wood saw them finish out of the prizes, but they returned in 1962 (following their Area win) and were placed fourth. The band continued to appear at Belle Vue until 1968, but never again came in the prizes. By 1969 the band had ceased contesting. It was overdrawn at the bank by £1,000 and only a few of the players worked for Crossleys. Furthermore, the parent - company at that time was in critical talks for a merger with a major rival. In its edition of 28th June 1969, British Bandsman reported that the band had been wound up by the directors who, through company press officer Willa Mooje, also stated that it was not company policy to create work for musicians.

**Crossley's Old Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1902

**Crosspark Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in 1906

**Crossway Mission Brass Band** - Southwark, Surrey

Active in the 1900s, disbanding in 1908. The mission was located on the Old Kent Road. Some of the band members went on to form the Lambeth Borough Band

**Croston Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1891. The band is mentioned in the Bretherton Congregational church magazine of 1916 in connection with a visit to region of King George V and the Queen.

**Croswells' Brewery Band**

Active in April 1886, when they were allowed to play one night per week at Walsall Arboretum on condition that there was no product advertising!

**Crouch End Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active around 1900, conductor W. Whare

**Crow Edge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Obtained new uniforms in 1903

**Crowan Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from 1860 to the 1890s

**Crowborough Beacon Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from the 1890s to the late 1950s. It won the silver challenge cup won at the Southern Counties contest at Dorking in 1908, conductor, Mr Tommy Briggs. The bandsmen at that time were L Walters, G Stiller, A Arnold, E Berry, W Mackellow, A Jacques, A Smith, W Bassett, A Stiller, E Piper, E Brooks, F Standen, C Smith, T Brooks, A Mackellow, P Mackellow, A Staples, B Blackford, G Smith, S Pollington, and bandmaster A Smith. The band had to leave for home before the final results were announced. When

they reached Crowborough, a message was waiting for them. They had won first prize in the selection class and had placed third in the march section against competition from 13 other bands. Not bad for amateur musicians. Their prizes, a challenge cup, a cornet, and medals for each of the bandsmen, arrived by train a week or two later to the applause of a large crowd of supporters. Mrs Bowen, the wife of the band's president, presented the prizes at a ceremony at Crowborough cricket ground on Monday, June 22. During the evening the band played the contest test pieces, a selection of songs by Handel, and a march, "The Life Guards", by J Jubb. Mr Bowen told the applauding audience that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Mr HE Sheppard, a county councillor, magistrate, and prominent Crowborough resident, had agreed to become vice-presidents, and such assistance should help to further the interests of the band. In future, he said, the band would play every Wednesday and Sunday. Once a month, on Wednesdays, they would play in that field, and on the other Wednesdays they would play at the residences of the subscribers. The 1909 Southern Counties contest was held at Sutton, and the band took second place in the selection class and fourth prize in the march section. By 1910, the brass band had become Crowborough Silver Band. At Whitsun the country was mourning King Edward VII, and instead of taking part in a contest the band played at a memorial service at All Saints' Church. The Southern Counties event was held at Crowborough in 1911 and again in 1913 when, in spite of the rain large crowds gathered in the Broadway to witness the march section of the competition. The selection class was held in the grounds of The Grange on Crowborough Beacon, the home of Mr Frank Gresson, who was president of the event. Twenty bands took part, and Mr Briggs and his merry men took joint-third place. On Whit Monday, 1914, the band played a special programme of dance music at a Scout rally.

### **Crowborough Silver Band**

See: *Crowborough Beacon Brass Band*

### **Crowcombe Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1880s

### **Crowfield Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in the 1900s

### **Crowland Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in from the 1850s through to the 1920s

### **Crowle Adult School Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Crowle Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Founded in 1860

### **Crowle Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s

### **Crowle Foresters' Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in 1882, conductor Mr Scott, G.W. Churchill conductor in 1883. Still active in the mid-1890s

### **Crowle Town Silver Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1871 through to about 1950

### **Crown Farm Colliery Band**

Active around 1920

### **Crown Point Brass - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Denton Brass*

**Crown Point Brass**

See: *Denton Original Band*

**Crown Tube Works Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire

Active from the early 1860s to WW1. In 1862, bandmaster was W. Blandford. Russell & Sons Crown Tubeworks Wednesbury.

**Crowthorne Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Croxley Green Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active around 1905

**Croxton Kerrial Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1913, J. Wildman secretary

**Croxton Kerrial Coronation Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1927, secretary H.A. Jackson

**Croy Parish Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Croy Silver Band*

**Croy Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Smithstone Band (to 1908), Croy Parish Band - Note: North Lanarkshire

**Croydon and Shirley Victoria Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Phil Peters in 1893

**Croydon Borough Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Croydon Brass Band*

**Croydon Brass Band** - Surrey

Active from the 1870s to the 1890s.

**Croydon Brass Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1911 - Former names: Croydon Temperance Band, Croydon Borough Band (1920), Croydon Co-op Brass Band (1977-1998)

**Croydon Co-op Brass Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Croydon Brass Band*

**Croydon District Postal Musical Society Band**

Active around 1910

**Croydon Mechanics Brass Band**

Active between 1900 and 1910. Became 1st Volunteer Battalion Queen's Regiment Band in 1906

**Croydon Temperance Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Croydon Brass Band*

**Croydon Workmen's Club Brass Band** - Surrey

First public appearance, with 20 players, in January 1866

**Crumlin and District Band**

See: *Crumlin Silver Band*

**Crumlin Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s and the 1930s to 1940s

**Crumpsall Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Crusaders Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Berger Hall Brass Band*

**Crwbin Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1891

**Crystal Palace Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1901 - Former names: Upper Norwood Temperance Band, Upper Norwood Temperance Prize Band (to 1924)

**CSD Brass (Cambridge)** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Cubbington Brass Band (1)**

Earliest mention of the band is at Cubbington Oddfellows anniversary on 31st May 1887. Mentioned in news reports from 1887 to 1897. Possibly folded around then, as a successor band was formed in 1900

**Cubbington Brass Band (2)**

Formed in 1900 following the relief of Mafeking. Renamed Cubbington Excelsior Silver Band in 1904. Bandmasters: - 1907 George Carr, 1912 Fred Gilbert, 1923 F. Hickman. This Band continued until it disbanded in 1956, its last conductor was Johnny Buberle. The remaining players joined the Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band. A successor band was formed in 1995.

**Cubbington Excelsior Band**

See: *Cubbington Brass Band (2)*

**Cubbington Silver Band**

See: *Cubbington Brass Band (2)*

**Cubbington Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1995

**Cubert Band** - Cornwall

They existed in 1897 and were probably formed just for the village celebrations of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. Situated a mile or so south of Newquay, they also did no contesting.

**Cubitt's Brass Band** - London

Active in 1866. William Cubitt & Co were contractors and property developers, responsible for much of the changing face of Victorian London

**Cuckfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from the 1850s through to 1914. Conductor Mr Dumsday in 1856

**Cuddington and Nether Winchendon Brass Band**

See: *Cuddington Brass Band*

**Cuddington and Winchendon Band**

See: *Cuddington Brass Band*

**Cuddington and Winchendon Robin Hood Brass Band**

See: *Cuddington Brass Band*

**Cuddington Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor in 1904 was George Watson, J. Cremer Clarke in 1911, H, Smith in 1930. Also known as the Cuddington and Winchendon Robin Hood Brass Band in the 1910s

**Cudham Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1904 when it was revived, bandmaster A.E. Newton

**Cudworth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856 through to at least 1906, and probably the outbreak of WW1. Bandmaster in 1905 was James Cavill. Later known as Cudworth Old Band. The Grimethorpe

Colliery Band was originated in 1917 at the incentive of 7 ex-Cudworth bandsmen, Cudworth having recently disbanded. George Cook was bandmaster of Cudworth Band at one time, he died in 1932.

**Cudworth Independent Band**

See: *Cudworth Brass Band*

**Cudworth Juvenile Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855

**Cudworth Old Band**

See: *Cudworth Brass Band*

**Culcheth Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster Robert Bonner in 1908

**Culcheth Sunday School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active around 1900

**Culgaith and Temple Sowerby Brass Band** - Cumberland

Bandmaster at one time was James Huddart, who was succeeded by Albert Kitchen.

**Cullen Brass Band** - Banffshire

Active in the 1880s and 1910s. The first bandmaster was Charles Middleton

**Cullen Ladies' Brass Band** - Banffshire

Active in 1920

**Cullompton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1858. Conductor Mr Underhill in 1862

**Cullompton Town Band** - Devon

Active in 1884 and also in 1913, when it performed in Wellington, Somerset - bandmaster: J.P. Rutey

**Culworth Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1865

**Cumberland Artillery Band, 2nd**

See: *2nd Cumberland Artillery Band*

**Cumberland Reformatory Brass Band** - Stanwix, Cumberland

See: *Carlisle Reformatory Brass Band*

**Cumbernauld Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active in the 1880s through to 1928, when conducted by H. Bennett

**Cumbernauld Public Band**

See: *Cumbernauld Brass Band*

**Cumbernauld Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire

Formed in 1970 through the merger of Bonnybridge and District Band and Parkhead Forge Band. Active through to the late 1980s

**Cumnock Youth Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s.

**Cunard SS Company's Employees Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Cupar Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1866 through into the 1880s, folded before 1899.

**Cupar Foresters' Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the late 1870s and early 1880s



**Cupar Town Band** - Fife

Formed in 1899, conductor John Peattie. Still active in 1933, and in 1967, conducted by Duncan Campbell.

**Curbridge Village Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1980s

**Curry Mallet Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1859 to 1868. Conductor J. Woolmington in 1867, G. Giles in 1869

**Curry Rivel Brass Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1865. Secretary Thomas Podger in 1878. Also occasionally known as Langport and Curry Rivel Brass Band. Possibly the same as Burton Pynsent Brass Band

**Curtis and Harvey Brass Band** - Glyn Neath, Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Glynneath and District Silver Band*

**Curtis and Harvey Brass Band**

See: *Glynneath District Silver Band*

**Cury Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1850

**Curzon Street Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Cusson's Excelsior Band** - Blackpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s, conductor G.J. May

**Cutthorpe Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1862 through to the early 1900s. Conductor W. Needham in 1901

**Cwm and District Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1900s

**Cwm Brass Band** - Flintshire

See: *Cwm and District Band*

**Cwm Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

See: *Cwm Town Band*

**Cwm Liberal Band**

Active in 1912

**Cwm Town Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the early 1900s and through to the 1990s. Also known as Cwm Town Workmen's Band. Amalgamated with Ebbw Vale Town Band in 2011 to form Ebbw Valley Brass.

**Cwm Town Workmen's Band**

See: *Cwm Town Band*

**Cwmafan (Talbach) Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Conductor W. Baillie in 1860.

**Cwmafan and District Band** - Glamorgan

Active after WW1 through to the 1950s

**Cwmafan Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s

**Cwmafan Copper Miners' Tin Plate Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Cwmafan and District Band*

**Cwmaman Institute Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1876

**Cwmavon** - Glamorgan

See: *Cwmafan*

**Cwmbran Brass** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1820 - Former names: Cwmbran Town Band? Cwmbran Urban District Silver Band? Cwmbran Brass Band (to 2006) - Note: Amalgamated with Cwmbran Youth Band in April 2006 to form Cwmbran Brass

**Cwmbran Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

See: *Cwmbran Subscription Brass Band*

**Cwmbran Subscription Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the 1880s to WW1. In 1914, Lewis Edwards was conductor (resident in Malpas Street)

**Cwmcych Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Cwmfelin Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s to the 1920s. Bandmaster Alf Williams in 1918

**Cwmfelin Workmen's Band**

See: *Cwmfelin Brass Band*

**Cwmllynfell and District Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1910, conductor William Jones. Competed in Welsh Championships in the 4th section in 1957, 1960 and 1961, conducted by E. G. Lewis.

**Cwmllynfell Brass Band**

See: *Cwmllynfell and District Silver Band*

**Cwm-mawr Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1. Played for the Professional Foot Races at the Mansel Athletic Grounds, Carmarthen in 1901, when they were conducted by T. Harris

**Cwmparc Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Parc & Dare Band*

**Cwmparc Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Conductor in 1900, J.D. Treharne. In the 1890s a contest was held at Pontycymmer and the musicians carried their instruments on the six-mile trek across the mountain tops. Under the baton of Mr Treherne they performed brilliantly, even if all the lights in the hall blew out, and left with the first prize. Obtained a new bandroom in 1903

**Cwmparc Temperance Drum and Fife Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Parc & Dare Band*

**Cwmsyfiog and Brithdir Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1912

**Cwmtawe Brass Band** - Brecknockshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Evan John Evans in 1899. Took second prize in the Bangor Eisteddfodd in 1894.

**Cwmtillery Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1890s

**Cwmtwrch Brass Band**

Active in 1890

**CWS (Glasgow) Band** - Lanarkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band*

### **CWS (Manchester) Band**

See: *C.W.S. (Manchester) Band*

### **Cyclops Works Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1865. Still active in 1868. The Cyclops Iron and Steel Works were based in Saville Street, owned by Charles Cammell & Co.

### **Cyfarthfa and Merthyr Municipal Band**

See: *Cyfarthfa Band*

### **Cyfarthfa Band** - Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan

Founded in 1838 by iron magnate Robert Thompson Crawshay, whose father owned the huge Cyfarthfa Works at Merthyr Tydfil. The original 1838 band was quickly disbanded as the players, who were mainly local, did not live up to the Crawshays' expectations. Professional, mainly English, players were imported and formed the basis of what was the arguably the first virtuoso brass band. It went on to great success in the contest field. "Christ Church, in Georgetown, Merthyr Tydfil, was completed in 1857, and consecrated on April 30th of that year. The Sunday of the consecration was a great day and many were invited to the Crawshay Castle for lunch. The famous Cyfarthfa Works Band, which had played at the great opening of the Crystal Palace in London (1851) played the services as there was no organ." The band won the Crystal Place Contest in 1860, playing Nabucco, conductor R. Livesey. Whilst they competed rarely, they still won the Welsh National Eisteddfod held in their home town in 1881. Some of the music and instruments from the band still exist, the instruments and pieces, in their original bound folios, are displayed at Cyfarthfa Castle, One such piece is the 'Tydfil Overture' written by the great Joseph Parry (he of Myfanwy fame) and probably the first specific, original brass band work. Following Crawshay's death in 1879, and the passing of the age of iron, the band declined. With no formal support the band limped on until 1908, when the local authority took over the band with a strict set of guidelines. It became the Cyfarthfa and Merthyr Municipal Band, which survived until 1928.

### **Cymmer (Porth) Colliery Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Lewis Merthyr Silver Band*

### **Cymmer Colliery Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1888, conductor R. Martin

### **Cynfi and Ebenezer Band** - Caernarfonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Deiniolen Silver Band*

### **Cynfi Ebenezer Band**

See: *Cynfi Silver Band*

### **Cynfi Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

Founded in 1904. Active through to the 1930s. Linked to the slate quarries around Llanberis. Obtained new instruments in 1905

### **Cynon Valley Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s

### **D and L Redcar Works Band**

See: *Dorman Long and Company Works Band*

### **D Company Band, 2nd Volunteer Battalion North Staffordshire Regiment**

See: *Rugeley Company Band*

### **D Division Police Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Keighley. See also B, E, G, H, K, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**Dafen Tin Works Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1859. The Dafen Tinplate Works was established in 1845

**Dagenham Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor in 1902 was J. Ketley, in 1882 was Mr Kingsnorth.

**Dagenham Home Guard O.C.A. Band** - Essex

Active in the 1940s to late 1950s. The Old Comrades Association of the Home Guard kept up links between wartime Home Guard and other forces members.

**Dagenham Silver Band** - Essex

Active in the 1970s, folded around 1980. Later known as Barking Concert Band. Remaining players help to form the Becontree Brass Band in 1981

**Daily Chronicle Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Daily Chronicle Paper Mills Brass Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Dairy Coates Brass Band (1)** - North Ferriby, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1863. Possibly the same as the Dairy Coates Engine Works Brass Band. Still active in 1868

**Dairy Coates Brass Band (2)** - North Ferriby, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1912, still active in 1916

**Dairy Coates Engine Works Brass Band** - North Ferriby, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1868

**Dairycoates Brass Band**

See: *Dairy Coates Brass Band*

**Daisy Hill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s through to the 1950s. Louis Allison took over as conductor in 1905.

**Daisy Hill Subscription Band**

See: *Daisy Hill Brass Band*

**Dakeyne Street Boys' Brigade Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1909

**Dalbeattie Town Band** - Kirkcudbrightshire

Founded in 1902, bandmaster Frank Lawson. Subsequent bandmasters were W. Wildon and W. Bryce. Probably folded at the start of WW1. The band's instruments were given to the local Volunteer Training Corps in 1915.

**Dalbeattie Volunteers Band** - Kirkcudbrightshire

Founded in 1915 using the instruments of the earlier Dalbeattie Town Band. Frank Lawson was their bandmaster

**Dale Abbey Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the mid-1860s through to the early 1900s

**Dalkeith and Bilston Glen Colliery Band**

See: *Dalkeith Burgh Band*

**Dalkeith and Monktonhall Brass Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1989 - Note: Amalgamation of Dalkeith Burgh Band and Monktonhall Colliery Silver Band

**Dalkeith and Westfield Trades Band** - Midlothian

Founded as Westfield Brass Band - it was in existence 1876, and also in 1892 when it led a procession to welcome a visit from William Gladstone. In 1904 the band changed its

name to the Dalkeith and Westfield Trades Band in order to gain a wider support. That same year the band led a parade in honour of Winston Churchill. In 1905 the band received a grant from the town council after a vote. There's no trace of when the then band went out of being, but it must have been before 1911 as it didn't take part in various reported occasions thereafter.

#### **Dalkeith Burgh Band** - Midlothian

Formed after the end of WW1 as the Westgate band. Changed name to Dalkeith Burgh Band sometime before 1929, as it led the Gala Day procession in that year, in the gap left by the earlier Dalkeith and Westfield Trades Band. It played at the local gala day crowning in 1953 in King's Park - the same day as the Queen's coronation. Merged with Monktonhall Colliery Silver Band in 1989 to form Dalkeith and Monktonhall Brass Band.

#### **Dalkeith Trades Band**

See: *Dalkeith and Westfield Trades Band*

#### **Dalmellington Band** - Ayrshire

[current band] - Founded in 1864 - Former names: Dalmellington Subscription Brass Band, Dalmellington Silver Band

#### **Dalmellington Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1855. A successor band (the current Dalmellington Band) was formed in 1864

#### **Dalmellington Silver Band** - Ayrshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Dalmellington Band*

#### **Dalmellington Subscription Brass Band** - Ayrshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Dalmellington Band*

#### **Dalmeny Brass Band** - West Lothian

Active from the 1870s to 1890s. May have merged with the Queensferry Brass Band at some time.

#### **Dalry Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1872, when they participated in the celebrations for the opening of the new Orange Hall in Irvine. In October 1903 the Kilwinning Co-op Society's new £7,000 building in main Street was formally opened following a procession round the town comprising nearly 1000 persons and led by Dalry Brass Band. In January 1905, at a singing competition under the auspices of Dalry Silver Band, Miss Anniw Frew, New Street, Stevenston, was winner of the gold medal. In September 1905 the Dalry Silver Prize Band provided musical entertainment during the afternoon of the Grand Quoiting Exhibition Game, held under the auspices of Dalry Quoiting Club,

#### **Dalry Instrumental Band**

See: *Dalry Brass Band*

#### **Dalry Silver Band**

See: *Dalry Brass Band*

#### **Dalston Central Mission Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s, J.R. Saywell bandmaster in 1907, disbanded in 1908

#### **Dalston Village Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1886

#### **Dalton Amateur Brass Band** - Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire

In January 1897 the annual meeting of the Dalton Town Band was held at the Wellington Hotel. Very soon after this meeting had taken place, there was some disagreement among the members of the band which made some of them terminate their association with the town band and start a band of their own. This was officially formed as the

Amateur Brass Band at a meeting held in the Wellington Hotel in March 1897. Mr. A. Baker was appointed as conductor of the new band which survived for many years, and frequently performed at concerts, parades, etc. A Baker later went on to conduct the Brotton Old Band, the Anaconda Copper Mines Band (U.S.A.), then to the Barrow Iron and Steel Works Band in 1921.

**Dalton Glee Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1879. A small brass ensemble.

**Dalton Rifle Volunteers Band** - Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to the early 1900s

**Dalton Temperance Band** - Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire

Formed in 1891

**Dalton Town Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Dalton Town Band, Dalton Town Prize Band

**Dalton Union Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s, near Huddersfield.

**Dalton Volunteers Band**

See: *Dalton Rifle Volunteers Band*

**Dalton-in-Furness Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1866 - precursor to the current Dalton Town Band formed in 1870

**Dalzeil Steelworks Silver Band** - Motherwell, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1920s

**Danby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1856, when the conductor was Mr Robert Duck

**Danesmoor Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Danesmoor Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor James Elliott in 1887

**Danetre Brass** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Daventry Brass*

**Daniel Street Mission Band** - Ancoats, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. Based at the Victoria Hall Wesleyan Mission

**Dannemora Prize Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1891

**Dannemora Steel Works Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1884. Won the selection contest held in Doncaster at the Salutation Inn on 14 April 1900. Active in 1931. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by E. Foster. Active in 1965

**Dannemora Steelworks Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Dannemora Steel Works Brass Band*

**Darcy Lever Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

James Halliwell joined Darcy Lever Band at the age of 12 in 1853 and played with them for 15 years while their uniform was a Black Frock Coat, tall hat and white waistcoats. The band dispersed in 1874, where upon Mr Halliwell went as bandmaster to the 9th Lance Volunteer Band.

**Darcy Lever Brass Band (2) - Lancashire**

In 1886 James Halliwell reformed the Darcy Lever Band and was bandmaster until the band dispersed for the last time in 1906. James Halliwell died in 1924. Several members of the Halliwell family played in the band

**Darenth Home for Boys Band - Kent**

Active in 1911

**Darenth Vale Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the early 1900s to 1910s

**Darfield Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1863 to 1895.

**Darfield District Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Wombwell Temperance Band*

**Darfield District Houghton Main Colliery Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Wombwell Temperance Band*

**Darlaston Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active from the 1860s to WW1.

**Darlaston Havelock Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active from the early 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor John Howl in 1866

**Darlaston Town Band - Staffordshire**

See: *Darlaston Brass Band*

**Darley Abbey Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Founded in 1861, conductor T. Chell, Active in 1874, 1883. Based at and supported by Messrs Evans' Boars Head cotton mills in the village.

**Darley Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Darley Abbey Brass Band*

**Darley Dale Brass Band - Derbyshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1984

**Darley Dale Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Formed on the 16th August 1880 and rehearsed in Wensley. The band was a typical village brass band, taking part in local traditions and events. Apart from a break during the Second World War, it continued until the early 1960's when the numbers in the band began to dwindle, and in 1965, the band admitted defeat and ceased to exist, selling all the instruments to the County Education Authority along with the music and all other equipment. A successor band was formed in 1984.

**Darley Silver Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1901 as Darley Temperance Band. Seven of its members were of the Skaife family and five others were Housemans. Their first conductor was Redford Procter from Dacre, was in demand for agricultural shows around the district, for which in the early days it was necessary to hire a wagonette and horses for the journey. They played at annual village school fetes, and at the Darley Hospital Sunday Event on Stocks Green, local hospitals benefiting from collections at this event and others at churches and chapels. They led the procession through Darley at the Annual Rechabite Band of Hope Festival on Whit Monday, and were involved locally whenever there were national festivals, coronations, peace celebrations etc, and at many other local events, performing in their uniform of blue, red and gold. From 1932, the band rented a room in Wall Square for their weekly practices. They kept going when many such bands disbanded, two members, Joe Furniss and J R Houseman, completing forty-five and thirty-eight years

service respectively. Rename Darley Silver Band by the 1940s. When it was in a low period in 1936 Walter Aldon bought new uniforms to boost the morale. As with all the other bands it ceased to function during the war but re-formed in time to play for the opening of the Memorial Hall in 1947. The band merged with Summerbridge and Dacre Band in 1959

**Darley Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Darley Silver Band*

**Darlington Borough Band** - Durham

Active in 1930 and into the 1950s

**Darlington Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1867, with 20 performers

**Darlington British Legion Band** - Durham

Active in the 1920s

**Darlington British Railways Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington North Eastern Railway Band*

**Darlington Catholic Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington Saxhorn Band*

**Darlington Corporation Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington Borough Band*

**Darlington Foresters' Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1850

**Darlington Forge Band** - Durham

Active from 1919 through to the 1930s. Newspaper report from April 1924 - "Opening of Darlington's new lake. With 3,000 people watching and Darlington Forge Band playing, the Mayor stepped ceremonially into a motor boat, which promptly failed to start."

**Darlington Forge Company Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington Forge Band*

**Darlington L.N.E.R. Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington North Eastern Railway Band*

**Darlington Music Centre Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington Youth Brass Band*

**Darlington N.E.R. Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington North Eastern Railway Band*

**Darlington North Eastern Railway Band** - Durham

Formed in the late 1830s and became all brass by 1860. Active in 1913 and through to the 1960s

**Darlington Operatic Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1870s and 1898, conductor J.A. Hoggett

**Darlington Philharmonic Band** - Durham

Active in 1864

**Darlington Regional Schools Band** - Durham

See: *Darlington Youth Brass Band*

**Darlington Rifles Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s

**Darlington Saxhorn Band** - Durham

Formed in 1858. Conductor Henry Hoggett in 1860. From a newspaper report in 1862 - "Darlington Total Abstinence Society sponsored a new water fountain and it was ready



for opening on June 10, 1862. Led by Dr Fothergill's successor as president, William Thompson, and the Darlington Sax Horn Band, the abstainers paraded from the Mechanics Institute, in Skinnergate, along Blackwellgate and High Row and up Bondgate to the fountain. There Mr Thompson, whose bankruptcy in the late 1870s allowed Darlington to acquire a vast chunk of South Park very cheaply, ceremonially drank the first glass of water from the fountain." Still active in 1876. The band was also known as Darlington Catholic Band and played sacred music exclusively.

**Darlington Sons of Temperance Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Darlington Temperance Band*

**Darlington Temperance Band - Durham**

Formed before 1860 and still active in 1920. Conductor W.W. Woodhams in 1860.

**Darlington Volunteer and Operatic Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Darlington Operatic Brass Band*

**Darlington Volunteer Band - Durham**

Active in 1904

**Darlington Works Brass Band - Southwark, Surrey**

See: *Messrs Stevens and Sons Brass Band*

**Darlington Youth Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Conducted by ARJ Price in the early 70s and A. Hind thereafter.

**Darnall Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1850s through to WW1. In 1913 Henry Sybray Wall and Charles Foster, both members of the band committee, came to blows at a committee meeting over remarks made about free beer. Charles Foster was summoned and fined 10s, with £1 4s 6d costs.

**Darnall Club and Institute Band**

See: *Darnall Silver Band*

**Darnall Silver Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed some time after WW1. Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Darnall Working Men's Club Band**

See: *Darnall Silver Band*

**Dartford and Erith Silver Band - Kent**

Formed around 1953 by the merger of Darford Borough Band and Erith British Legion Band. Active into the early 1960s.

**Dartford Borough British Legion Band - Kent**

Active in the 1930s through to 1953, when it merged with Erith British Legion Band to form Dartford and Erith Silver Band. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s.

**Dartford Borough Silver Band**

See: *Dartford Borough British Legion Band*

**Dartford Christian Mission Band - Kent**

Active in the 1900s, conductor H. Coveney in 1904

**Dartford Silver Band**

See: *Dartford Volunteers Silver Band*

**Dartford Town Band - Kent, ## 6 ##, Active in the 1900s. E. Allder bandmaster, ## 7 ##, Dartford Silver Prize Band**

**Dartford United Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1921

### **Dartford Volunteers Silver Band - Kent**

Active in the 1900s through to the early 1930s. Renamed Dartford Silver Band in 1908, conductor H. Giles.

### **Dartmoor Prison Officers' Brass Band - Princeton, Devon**

Active in the 1900s

### **Dartmouth Borough Band - Devon**

Active in the 1900s to the 1950s. The Bandmaster was J. Courtney in 1939 and 1947. When it folded the equipment was passed on to the Kingsbridge Band. Some of the historic pieces, including a drum, were returned to Dartmouth Museum.

### **Dartmouth Park Brass Band - West Bromwich, Staffordshire**

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor J. Tonks in 1887

### **Dartmouth Town Band**

See: *Dartmouth Borough Band*

### **Darton Brass Band**

See: *Darton Subscription Band*

### **Darton Main Colliery Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in 1917. Active to 1927, conductor Noel Thorpe.

### **Darton Subscription Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1930s

### **Darvel Brass Band**

See: *Darvel Burgh Band*

### **Darvel Burgh Band - Ayrshire**

Formed in 1846 as Darvel Brass Band, adopted "Borough" in 1901. In 1879 it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Kilmarnock wood-workers. In 1935 it performed a concert at the National Government Fair held at Loudon Castle, on Saturday June 29th. Still active in 1949.

### **Darvel Instrumental Brass Band**

See: *Darvel Burgh Band*

### **Darwen and Hoddleston Silver Prize Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackburn & Darwen Band*

### **Darwen Borough Brass Band**

See: *Darwen Temperance Band*

### **Darwen Brass - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 2007 - Note: Formed as the "middle" band in the Blackburn and Darwen Band Organisation.

### **Darwen British Legion Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackburn & Darwen Band*

### **Darwen Rifle Corps Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1860s to 1900s. Also known as 2nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band and Over Darwen Rifles Band

### **Darwen Temperance Band - Lancashire**

Formed in 1840 on strict teetotal principles. In the event of breaking a pledge of abstinence a member had to pay a fine of 2s, 6d, for the first offence, for the second offence he would pay 5s and the third time he was expelled. It is believed that a couple of the founder members had to re-mortgage their own houses in order to buy their instruments. At first the band had no rehearsal room and therefore they had to practise

in various member's houses. Finally they were able to move to a bandroom in Foundry Street, Darwen. Conductor J. Briggs, leader T. Hindle in 1860. The band took part in the British Open contest in 1872. Secretary F.B. Ashworth in 1887. In 1901 the band changed from the Darwen Temperance Band to Darwen Borough Band. The band struggled to survive due to the effects of World War I. Local rivals Pickup Bank Band gained the upper hand, partly due to backing from local firm Carus mills. Following World War II Hoddlesden also struggled to find players. In 1950 It was requested that both bands have a joint committee meeting to discuss the shortage of players. The conclusion was that both bands amalgamated to form the Darwen and Hoddlesden Silver Band.

#### **Daubhill Temperance Band (1) - Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s

#### **Daubhill Temperance Band (2) - Lancashire**

Formed in 1924, the band packed up when most of the lads joined the forces in 1939. Three of the bandsmen, Billy Holt, Walter Price and Ralph McCarthy were killed in Japanese POW camps. It competed in the Senior Cup contest in 1937. From the Coventry Evening Telegraph, of March, 1954: "The brass band associations of the Evans family began many years ago in Bolton, where John Evans and his two brothers, all keen bandsmen, decided to form a brass band of their own. Under the title Daubhill Temperance Band, the Evans brothers gathered together a group of brass instrument players, several of them relatives. As time passed, the membership of the band became more and more predominantly Evans, until eventually all its 24 players had either been born in, or married into, the family. Then, in 1936, John Evans' oldest son decided to move south from Lancashire to try his hand at a job in Coventry. He settled there with his family. Gradually, on his recommendation, other members of the family followed, until Bolton's Daubhill Temperance Band had to be abandoned due to lack of (Evans) membership. The pioneer of the family, who first came to Coventry, was killed during the war, but three of his brothers are still active players with Coventry Silver Band" One tale of this band is while carrying out an engagement in Rufford, the band was marching down a narrow country lane when a car came up behind the band and could not pass. After a while Mr J Evans signalled to the band to move to the side of the road, unfortunately the driver mistook this as a signal to pass and ended up with the drummer seated on the bonnet of his car! Mr Evans noted with a smile that the drummer never broke his beat!

#### **Davenham Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1902

#### **Davenport Road Wesleyan Silver Band - Derby, Derbyshire**

Active in the early 1930s

#### **Daventry and District Silver Band - Northamptonshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Daventry Brass*

#### **Daventry and District Silver Band - Northamptonshire**

Formed in the late 1940s by the amalgamation of Daventry Town Band, Long Buckby Town Band and Long Buckby Temperance Band

#### **Daventry Brass - Northamptonshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1946 - Former names: Daventry and District Silver Band, Danetre Brass (to 1999) - Note: Other related bands: Daventry and District Silver Band formed in late 1940s by amalgamation of Daventry Town Band, Long Buckby Town Band and Long Buckby Temperance Band

### **Daventry Brass Band**

See: *Daventry Town Band*

### **Daventry Town Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1870s until the late 1940s when it merged with Long Buckby Town Band and Long Buckby Temperance Band to form Daventry and District Silver Band

### **Davey Paxman Standard Ironworks Band** - Colchester, Essex

Formed in 1884 under the patronage of the works owner, James Paxman. The first bandmaster was Mr McQuade. Following the wane of the Paxman empire in 1908 the band folded.

### **David Brown Tractors Band**

Active in 1941

### **Davidstow Temperance Brass Band** - Cornwall

This band carried out engagements over a period of at least four years - 1872-76. Davidstow is a few miles north of Camelford.

### **Davis Derby Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Derby Railway Works Band*

### **Davis Lifeboat Mission Band** - Leytonstone, Essex

Active in the 1900s

### **Daw Green Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

### **Daw Mill Colliery Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Arley Welfare Band*

### **Daw Mill/Arley Welfare Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Arley Welfare Band*

### **Dawdon Brass Band**

See: *Dawdon Lodge Silver Band*

### **Dawdon Colliery Band**

See: *Dawdon Lodge Silver Band*

### **Dawdon Lodge Silver Band** - Seaham, Durham

Formed in the early 1900s. Rename Dawdon Brass Band by 1931 - active in the 1950s and 1960s. Acquired a new set of instruments in 1962 at a cost of £2,500. Competed in the Junior Trophy in 1962. Folded some time in the late 1970s.

### **Dawley (Telford) Brass Band** - Shropshire

Formed some time after the 1970s and was still active in the 1990s

### **Dawley Brass Band (1)** - Shropshire

Active in 1856, 1860

### **Dawley Brass Band (2)** - Shropshire

Active in the early 1900s. An old tradition in Dawley was a pig would be placed on a wall in the town to watch the old Dawley band marching by! Also known as Dawley Town Silver Prize Band. Still active in 1953.

### **Dawley Green Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1857, 1860, conductor Thomas Chirm, 1862

### **Dawley New Town Band** - Shropshire

Formed around 1961, with many players coming from the defunct Hadley Sankeys Castle Band. It later became Telford Concert Band, then Telford Brass Band. Ceased in the late 1980s after rising to 2nd section in the Nationals and section A in the Birmingham and District Association. The Band was formed under the baton of Ted

Baldwin who eventually stood down to be replaced by a Denis Emery around 1969/70. Around 1969 there was a split in the band, with some of the players leaving to form the South Telford Band.

**Dawley Town Silver Band** - Shropshire

See: *Dawley New Town Band*

**Dawlish Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1860, conductor W. Cotton

**Dawlish Brass Band (1)** - Devon

See: *Dawlish Subscription Brass Band*

**Dawlish Brass Band (2)** - Devon

See: *Dawlish Amateur Brass Band*

**Dawlish Rifles Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1860s

**Dawlish Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1840s and 1850s. Folded before 1860, when plans for a new amateur band were mooted.

**Dawlish Town Band** - Devon

Active in the 1890s to the 1920s

**Daylesford Borough Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1880s

**De Havilland Works Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1940s, linked to the factory at Hatfield.

**De Jong's Select Professional Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Active in 1890

**Deacon Street Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in the 1870s

**Deaf Hill Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the early 1900s and still active in 1960

**Deaf Hill Colliery Miners' Welfare Band**

See: *Deaf Hill Colliery Band*

**Deal Brass Academy** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 2013

**Dean and Chapter Colliery Band** - Ferryhill, Durham

Formed in 1906 - the Dean and Chapter Colliery opened in 1904 - and was still active in 1947

**Dean Bank Band** - Durham

Formed in the early 1900s, and was still active in 1915, but probably did not survive the First World War.

**Dean Head Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Scammonden Brass Band*

**Dean Mills Brass Band** - Halliwell, Lancashire

Active in 1851

**Dean Works Brass Band** - Halliwell, Lancashire

See: *Dean Mills Brass Band*

**Deansgate Mission Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1884, conducted by Alfred Alsop

**Deanston Brass Band** - Perthshire

Formed in May 1853, conductor Mr Watts. Still active in 1865. Mr Watts was the manager of the Adelphi Cotton Mill in Deanston, where most, if not all, of the band were employed. The mill was the first in Britain to produce its own coins and paper money for issue to its workers. This was designed to overcome a shortage of currency in circulation at the time (the late 1700s). When the mill closed it was converted into a whisky distillery. In 1858, a young boy named Daniel McDonald, who was a drummer in the band, lost an arm in an accident at the mill where he worked. Also known as Doune Brass Band by the locals

**Deanston Works Brass Band** - Perthshire

See: *Deanston Brass Band*

**Dearham Band** - Cumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1896 - Former names: Dearham United Brass Band - Note: Originally formed as a Drum & Fife Band in 1881 - converting to brass in 1896

**Dearham Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1851. A successor band was formed in 1896

**Dearham Church of England Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1892

**Dearham United Brass Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Dearham Band*

**Dearne Valley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1990s to around 2012.

**Debenham Boys Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1906, conductor Mr Whitmore

**Debenham Brass Band (1)** - Suffolk

Active in 1887 to 1896

**Debenham Brass Band (2)** - Suffolk

Active in the 1960s. At a British Legion parade in 1978 the solo comet player Ted Perry collapsed and died. The parade tried to carry as best they could but the evening's concert was cancelled.

**Debenham Volunteer Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1900

**Decorative Art Works Band**

See: *Sunbury Brass Band*

**Deddington and Bloxham Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Deddington Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

See: *Deddington and Bloxham Brass Band*

**Deddington Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Dedham Band**

Formed in 1899 and still active in 1906

**Dee Oil Works Band** - Saltney, Flintshire

Active in the 1880s

**Deene Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1867

**Deepcar Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1988

**Deepcar Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s, conductor J. Beever in 1860. Still active in 1869. A successor band was formed in 1988.

**Deepcar School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1859

**Deeping St James Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor George Samuel Perkins appointed in 1890

**Deeside Brass Band** - Chester, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Deeside Silver Band*

**Deeside Silver Band** - Chester, Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1972 - Former names: Deeside Brass Band - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Connah's Quay Town Band and the John Summers Steelworks Band

**Defries and Sons Brass Band** - London (City)

See: *Messrs Defries and Sons Brass Band*

**Deighton and Sheepridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1892 to 1894

**Deighton Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1859 to the 1890s. Competed in the Crystal Palace contest in July 1860, conducted by P. Robinson, playing a selection from "Ernani". New instruments in 1869, costing £83 3s 6d

**Deighton Mills Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Deighton Brass Band*

**Deiniolen Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1835 - Former names: Cynfi and Ebenezer Band

**Delabole Brass Band** - Cornwall

See: *Delabole Temperance Band*

**Delabole British Legion Band** - Cornwall

See: *Delabole Temperance Band*

**Delabole Ex-Servicemen's Band** - Cornwall

See: *Delabole Temperance Band*

**Delabole Silver Band** - Cornwall

See: *Delabole Temperance Band*

**Delabole Temperance Band** - Cornwall

This band, formed in 1864, became a very popular and successful group, changing its title in 1919 to Delabole Ex-Servicemen's Band and then to Delabole British Legion Band, this probably in 1921 on the formation of the British Legion. 1930 and they changed once again, this time to Delabole Silver Band. They were eventually disbanded c1953. Their known conductors were Mr Horne: J David Smith: WH Hawke: Mr Ough: B Parsons: John Males: Jim Avy: WB Williams and Leslie Prout who served them from 1933 until their demise in 1953. From 1928, under WB Williams, they began sporadic contesting, and whilst not achieving any notable results, the feeling today is that this was a very happy band.

**Delph Amateur Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Delph Brass Band*

**Delph Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Delph Amateur Band, Delph Saxhorn Band, Delph Prize Band

**Delph Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Delph Brass Band*

**Delph Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Delph Brass Band*

**Denaby and Cadeby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s

**Denaby Brass Band**  
See: *Denaby Main Brass Band*

**Denaby Main Ambulance Band**  
See: *Denaby Main Brass Band*

**Denaby Main Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1871 through to WW1

**Denaby Main Institute Brass Band**  
See: *Denaby Main Brass Band*

**Denaby Main St John Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Denbigh Borough Band** - Denbighshire  
See: *Denbigh Town Band*

**Denbigh Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
Active in 1868

**Denbigh Guard Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s.

**Denbigh High School Brass Band** - Luton, Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1960s

**Denbigh Town Band** - Denbighshire  
Active from the 1870s to 1890s

**Denbighshire Imperial Yeomanry Band**  
See: *Buckley Slaughter House Band*

**Denbighshire Technical College Band**  
Active in the 1950s

**Denbighshire Yeomanry Cavalry Band**  
See: *Denbigh Guard Brass Band*

**Denby Bottles Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s

**Denby Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Derbyshire

**Denby Dale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1867 through to the 1960s

**Denby United Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed 1922 - active through to the early 1950s.

**Denham Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Denham Brass Band (2)**  
See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

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**Denham Hendon Brass** - Cressex, Buckinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Chiltern Hills Brass*

**Denholme Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s through to the 1930s. Conductor Thomas Pickles in 1888, T. Dean in 1904

**Denholme Subscription Band**

See: *Denholme Brass Band*

**Denman Street Brass Band**

See: *Denman Street Sunday School Brass Band*

**Denman Street Sunday School Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in 1885. Played a march called "The Denman", composed by the band's conductor J. Freeston.

**Denman's Head Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1864 when it combined with the Scott and Limb's Band. It practiced in the Denman's Head Inn. At the time of the merger the players included: B Scott (conductor of Scott and Limb's), Jas. Handley, E. Dennis, S Cauldwell, H. Oscroft, E. Handley, S. Hall, W. Green, A. Caunt J. Naylor (well-known as "Spring"), W. Bryan, G. Scott S. Oldham, J. Searson, E. Limb, and Jos. Dennis (conductor of Denman's Head).

**Denmead Brass Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Former names: Cosham Concert Brass Band (to 2005)

**Dennis Bayley Hunmanby and District Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hunmanby Silver Band*

**Dennis Bayley Hunmanby Silver Band**

See: *Hunmanby Silver Band*

**Dennison's Borough Band**

See: *St Hilda Colliery Band*

**Dennison's Family Band**

See: *St Hilda Colliery Band*

**Denny Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the 1880s through to 1915

**Denshaw Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1930s. Bandmaster Thomas Needham in 1904. Denshaw Orchestral Band and Denshaw Reed Band both existed before 1900.

**Dent Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active around 1900

**Denton and Haughton Old** - Lancashire

Active in 1873

**Denton Brass** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1990 - Former names: Denton Original "B" Band, Crown Point Brass (to 1999) - Note: The original Denton Original Band was formed in 1859. After a difference of opinion about the running of the band the "B" Band broke away and became Crown Point Brass. The band still have in their possession the Denton "B" Band marching bass drum with the shield bearing the name, which although indistinct is still readable, this drum is now used as a concert drum.

**Denton Fire Brigade Band** - Lancashire

Active in the late 1890s

### **Denton Original "B" Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Denton Brass*

### **Denton Original Band** - Lancashire

The Earl of Wilton persuaded Thomas Baxendale to introduce the cotton trade into Denton, and as an inducement gave the land on which Mr Baxendale built in 1862 the Alpha Mill - so called because it was the first cotton mill in Denton. His generosity to the town, particularly to the United Methodist Church, was great. He formed a brass band at his works, which was known for a time as Baxendale's Band, but afterwards became the Denton Original Band. He built 47 houses opposite his mill, which he named Alpha Terrace. The Denton Original Band began its existence in 1859, its promoters receiving the generous support of some of the hat manufacturers and local gentry. The first headquarters were at Baxendale's, at the top of Taylor Lane, but after a short time they were removed to a room behind the Bowling Green Inn. The band has a wonderful record, the crowning triumph coming in London in 1900 when the Denton Band won the thousand guinea cup which was open to Great Britain and the Colonies. There were great rejoicings in Denton when the result of the Crystal Palace contest became known. The magnificent cup was kept at Denton Town Hall and security of 1,000 pounds had to be given for its custody. After this the band ranked with the highest class bands in the country and was in great demand in all parts. During the twentieth century the band maintained its reputation as one of the leading bands of the Manchester district. Following a fire in the Denton band room the band folded (according to a relative of a band member the band room may have been bombed in the second world war). Some items of the band are still in existence. The mace is still held by a former member - it is in the form of a solid silver bowler hat at the end of the mace to signify that the band was the hatters band (Denton being a hat making town). The Denton "B" Band ultimately broke away from Denton Original and became Crown Point Brass, later Denton Brass.

### **Deptford Amateur Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Deptford Brass Band*

### **Deptford Artizans' Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1861

### **Deptford Borough Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

### **Deptford Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1850s and 1866 when it played at the Foresters' Fete at the Crystal Palace. Conductor J. Smith in 1860. Also known as Royal Deptford Brass Band

### **Deptford Central Hall Brass Band** - Kent

Founded around 1903. Linked to the Deptford and Greenwich Mission

### **Deptford Central Hall Methodist Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Deptford Central Hall Brass Band*

### **Deptford Central Hall Mission Band** - Kent

See: *Deptford Central Hall Brass Band*

### **Deptford Pier Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Deptford Pier Saxhorn Band*

### **Deptford Pier Saxhorn Band** - Kent

Active in the late 1850s and early 1860s, conductor W. Frogitt (M. Froggitt) in 1860. The band was associated with John Penn and Sons Company, which was an engineering factory making engines - originally agricultural and later marine.

**Deptford Railway Amateur Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1845

**Deptford Temperance Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1910s, reorganised as Deptford Town Band in 1919

**Deptford Town Band (1)** - Kent  
See: *Deptford Borough Band*

**Deptford Town Band (2)** - Kent  
See: *Deptford Temperance Band*

**Derby Albion Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1888

**Derby Blue Ribbon Mission Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s

**Derby Borough Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1960s.

**Derby Borough Police Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Formed 1936, still active in 1952.

**Derby Charity Brass Band for the Blind** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1908

**Derby Christ Church Sax Tuba Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Derby Saxtuba Brass Band*

**Derby Constabulary Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Derby Borough Police Brass Band*

**Derby Corden Street Mission Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Corden Street Methodist Brass Band*

**Derby Derwent Silver Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1912 through to 1939

**Derby Excelsior Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the early 1900s

**Derby Harmonic Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1861, conductor Mr Allsopp

**Derby Junction Street Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Junction Street Brass Band*

**Derby Kedleston Street Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Kedleston Street Brass Band*

**Derby Life Brigade Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *1st Derby Company Boys Life Brigade Brass Band*

**Derby Midland Railway Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1858, conductor Mr Cubley. Conductor P Crompton in 1860, W. Waring in 1866

**Derby Model Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1861

**Derby Old Harmonic Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1902, 1913. Conductor Frederick Cawrey between 1902 and 1910.

**Derby P.S.A. Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1920s. Conductor W. Joint in 1895, G. Herbert in 1896 - 1900, T. Mossley in 1919.

**Derby Police Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Derby Borough Police Brass Band*

- Derby Post Office Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Derby Postmen's Brass Band*
- Derby Postmen's Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1908, conductor T. Mosley, and also in the 1920s
- Derby Primitive Methodists Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Kedleston Street Brass Band*
- Derby Railway Iron Works Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Cotton Lane Brass Band*
- Derby Railway Works Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1959. Changed sponsor and became Davis Derby Brass Band in or around 1985, then amalgamated with Neville Brass to form Derwent Brass in 1992.
- Derby Rifles Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1860s to 1890s
- Derby Sax Tuba Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
Founded in 1872, by Frederick Cawrey, who conducted it until it folded in 1884.
- Derby Sax Tuba Band (2)** - Derbyshire  
Formed after 1884. Active in 1889 and through to at least 1910.
- Derby Silver Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Derby Tabernacle Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1930s. Conductor Mr Gent in 1932
- Derby United Prize Band** - Derbyshire  
Active from the 1880s to WW1. Bandmaster A.R. Seddon in 1888 (they took £118 10s in fees in 1887). Played at Etwall Horticultural Show in 1891.
- Derby Victoria Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Derby Victoria Street Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Victoria Street Congregational Brass Band*
- Derby Wesleyan Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1880
- Derby West End Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Derby Working Men's Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1861, associated with the local Working Men's Association
- Dereham Band** - Norfolk  
[current band] - Founded in 1931 - Former names: Dereham British Legion Band
- Dereham Brass Band** - Norfolk  
See: *East Dereham Brass Band*
- Dereham British Legion Band** - Norfolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dereham Band*
- Derham's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Messrs Derham Brothers' Brass Band*
- Deri Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active around the 1890s through to WW1.
- Deritend Luton Band** - Bedfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Luton Band*

- Derker Adult School Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
Founded in 1906
- Derker Council School Boys Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
Founded in 1899. Active in 1908, conductor Sam Howcroft.
- Derwent Brass** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1992 - Note: Formed through the amalgamation of Davis Derby Band with Neville Brass Band
- Derwent Brass Band** - Derwent Haugh, Durham  
See: *Derwent Haugh Brass Band*
- Derwent Haugh Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1855 and the 1870s
- Derwent Iron and Steel Works Band** - Seaton, Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s
- Derwent Tinsplate Works Brass Band** - Seaton, Cumberland  
Active from 1859. In 1892 it took part in a concert with Workington Vocal Union Voice Choir. Band of the Tinsplate Works in Seaton, it won a prize at a contest in the Crystal Palace in the 1890s, in the presence of Queen Victoria - one of the players, apparently, was not impressed with the Queen and said she looked like "any old washerwoman". The prize included a silver plate presentation cup on a black wooden base, and the conductor at the time was John Grayburn.
- Derwent Vale Brass Band** - Rowlands Gill, Durham  
Active in the 1890s
- Derwent Valley Brass Band**  
See: *Swalwell Brass Band (1)*
- Desborough Old Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1850s to 1890s
- Desford Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1859
- Desford Colliery Band** - Leicestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1898 - Former names: Ibstock United Band (to 1956)
- Desford Industrial School Brass Band** - Botcheston, Leicestershire  
Active in the 1880s through to 1913. Conductor G. Payne in 1889. The school was built at Botcheston and opened In 1881, housing 192 boys by 1886
- Deudraeth Brass Band** - Merioneth  
Active from the 1860s. The band was refused the right to bear the title "Royal" in 1923. Still active in the late 1960s
- Deudraeth Silver Band**  
See: *Deudraeth Brass Band*
- Deulyn Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1878, conducted by William E. Evans.
- Deveral Brass Band** - Cornwall  
There was a brass band existing in Deveral accepting engagements from 1897 to 1914. Bandmaster T. Pascoe in 1901. They did no contesting.
- Deverill Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
See: *Longbridge Deverill Brass Band*
- Deveron River Brass** - Banff, Banffshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2009

**Devizes Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Active in the 1840s and 1850s.

**Devizes Town Band - Wiltshire**

Active from the 1890s. Henry Snook was bandmaster in 1911. Still active in the 1930s, but probably folded around WW2. It was re-formed in 1959 from a band started at Devizes Grammar School in 1957, and then at the Three Crowns, Devizes, and then with its own wooden ex-RAF hut at the Wharf, Devizes. The band disbanded in the early to mid 1980's. It was re-formed again in 1999 as the Alpha Wind Band at the Wyvern Club, Church Walk, Devizes as a brass band, but did not turn away woodwind players when they asked to join. The band changed to Devizes Town Band in 2001. It is now a symphonic wind band with around 35 members.

**Devon and Exeter Boys' Industrial School Band - Devon**

The home opened in 1869 at Church Stile, Exminster and soon established its own band from which many boys progressed to serving with regimental bands.

**Devonport Brass Band - Devon**

Active in 1863, conductor Mr Marshall

**Devoran Brass Band - Cornwall**

Devoran Brass Band was active from c.1866 to 1888. In 1887 they played during a church service celebrating Queen Victoria's Jubilee, a type of engagement that was not usually trusted to a Cornish brass band of that time. The reason could well be because they were, at that time, most certainly one of the leading bands in the county, taking 1st place in the few contests they entered.

**Dewsbury A1 Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1873

**Dewsbury Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Dewsbury Brass Band*

**Dewsbury Borough Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1860s through to the 1930s.

**Dewsbury Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1850 and contested keenly over the next 20 years to 1870, entering some 107 contests winning 98 prizes value £1779 10s. 10d. Then, due to lack of good instruments it ceased contesting until 1887. Conductor John Peel in 1860 when, returning by coach from the Bradford Peel Park contest, the wheels of the vehicle suddenly broke, precipitating its heavy load into the highway. Several of the members were severely bruised. Jeremiah Lee (cornopean) had his collar bone broken, and another his arm put out. Most of their instruments were broken, some being completely spoiled.

**Dewsbury Juvenile Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1855

**Dewsbury Music Centre Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1980s

**Dewsbury Musical Palace Brass Band**

See: *Palace Fleet Brass Band*

**Dewsbury Old Band**

See: *Dewsbury Brass Band*

**Dewsbury Old Borough Band**

See: *Dewsbury Borough Brass Band*

**Dewsbury Public Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1907

**Dewsbury Rifle Corps Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Dewsbury Schools Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s

**Dewsbury Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the early 1900s

**D'Hautree Brass** - Isle of Jersey

Active in the 1980s

**Diamond Street Brass Band**

See: *Cardiff Diamond Street Band*

**Dicconson Lane Temperance Band** - Westhoughton, Lancashire

Active in 1879

**Dick Kerr Brass Band**

See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*

**Dick Kerr English Electrical Works Band**

See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*

**Dickinson's Apsley Mills Silver Band**

See: *John Dickinson (Apsley) Band*

**Dickinson's Silver Band** - Hertfordshire

See: *John Dickinson (Apsley) Band*

**Dickleburgh Brass Band** - Suffolk

[no information]

**Didcot and Northbourne Silver Band** - Berkshire

Formed in the early 1920s, probably disbanded around WW2. The area around the Didcot railway station in Station Road was truly the social - and commercial - centre of Didcot and Northbourne in the early twenties. This is where everybody met. The Red Triangle club and the area around it were known colloquially as the Wangle. Many activities were staged there, and it was open several days of the week; and run by a committee, composed mainly of railwaymen and their wives. In January 1925, a report issued by the Committee stated that it was... a hall let to all kinds of organisations; home to the Didcot Band?.. The club was soon renamed the Didcot and Northbourne Social Club. In the early days as it was closely linked to the GWR, its twice-weekly dances were often to the music of the Swindon GWR Concert Band; they also gave concerts. The costs of hiring this and other bands, especially from Oxford, led eventually to the setting up of the Didcot and Northbourne Silver Band; Bandmasters were A.R. Faraday and Harold Bellamy.

**Didcot and Northbourne United Band**

See: *Didcot and Northbourne Silver Band*

**Didcot Silver Band** - Berkshire

Probably formed after WW2 and active from 1947 through to the mid 1960s at least.

**Didlington Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s, J. Wall conductor in 1904

**Didmarton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1872

**Didsbury and Barlow Moor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s.

**Didsbury Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s through to WW1. Conductor John White in 1906. Took part in the Coronation Festivities held at Didsbury on June 22nd, 1911.

**Didsbury Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1980s

**Digbeth Institute Adult School Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1910, conductor T.B. Southall. The Institute was designed by Arthur Harrison, it was officially opened on January 16, 1908 by the wife of the Pastor of Carrs Lane Church, John Henry Jowett, as an institutional church attached to Carr's Lane Congregational Church.

**Digby Ambulance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Based at the Digby Colliery, Eastwood. Active in the 1900s

**Digby Colliery Band**

See: *Digby Ambulance Band*

**Diggle Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**Diggle Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s until it folded in 1927. A successor band was formed in 1996

**Dinas and District Band**

See: *Dinas Brass Band*

**Dinas Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Dinas Institute Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s, bandmaster J.H. Lloyd in 1905

**Dinas Powis Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Dinas-Mawddwy Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1860 to 1868

**Dingle Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Dingwall Town Band** - Ross-shire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Dingwall Volunteer Band**

See: *Dingwall Town Band*

**Dinnington (Middleton) Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dinnington Colliery Brass Band*

**Dinnington Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1883. The colliery was near Newcastle, at Dinnington. (Not to be confused with the current Dinnington Colliery Band, originally linked to Dinnington Main Colliery in South Yorkshire)

**Dinnington Colliery Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1904 - Former names: Dinnington Main and Middleton Prize Brass Band, Dinnington (Middleton) Silver Prize Band, South Yorkshire Caravans Dinnington Colliery Band (1982-5), Webster Dinnington Colliery Band (1987-90)



- Dinnington Main and Middleton Prize Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dinnington Colliery Brass Band*
- Dinorwig Brass Band**  
See: *Llandinorwic Ebenezer Band*
- Dinton Excelsior Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active from the 1880s through to the 1920s
- Dipton Brass Band**  
See: *Dipton Colliery Band*
- Dipton Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor J. Pewton in 1883
- Dipton Temperance Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1870s
- Discharged Sailors' and Soldiers' Association Brass Band** - Darlington, Durham  
Founded in 1919, bandmaster H. Lambeth
- Diseworth Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1864
- Disley Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1850, 1860
- Diss Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1833 to the late 1860s. Conductor Mr Garrett in 1866-1868
- Diss Town Band** - Norfolk  
Founded in 1906, active into the 1920s
- Distin's Employees Brass Band** - London  
Active in 1861. Formed from employees at the Distin Factory in Great Newport Street, London, conducted by M. Urban.
- Ditchingham Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1859
- Ditton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1856, conductor J.P. Broadhurst. Still active in 1887
- Ditton Priors Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1894
- Dixon Green Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s. Also known as Will Owen's Band, named after the conductor and founder who lived at the King's Arms on Plodder Lane, Farnworth. They had a series of falling outs over the division of the proceeds from their engagements and eventually several of the principal players including William Owen left and joined Barnes' Band.
- Dixon's Green Amateur Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1858
- Dixon's Orpheus Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Stickney Orpheus Brass Band*
- Dob Lane Brass Band** - Failsworth, Lancashire  
Formed in 1886/1887, bandmaster Mr Frost. Still active in 1902
- Dob Lane Sunday School Brass Band** - Failsworth, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s to 1900s
- Dobcross Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dobcross Silver Band*

**Dobcross Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to the 1860s. Had folded prior to 1875 when the current Dobcross Band was formed.

**Dobcross Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Hurley Moate Dobcross Band

**Dobson and Barlow Ltd. Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1930s and 1940s. The sponsoring firm were cotton machinery manufacturers. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by J.W. Hughes). They won 2nd prize at Walkden Prize Contest in 1931, they were also entered for a contest in Wigan in 1945 but were unplaced. Dobson and Barlow ceased trading in 1963. The band had disbanded previous to this date.

**Dock Labourers' Union Brass Band** - London

Active in 1890

**Docks and Marine Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

Active in 1930, when it took part in a massed concert with the Thornycroft Band and the recently formed Southampton Albion Silver Band. It was financed by the Docks Board and based in Southampton Docks where a number of the members were employed. After WW2 economies had to be made and the band was one of the things the Board decided should go. It was disbanded around 1949. Some of the members of this band, went to join Southampton Royal British Legion Band.

**Dodbrooke Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1879

**Doddington Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1864. Conductor Mr Emerson in 1869

**Dodford Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1865

**Dodington Parish Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**Dodsworth's Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Bradford Brass Band*

**Dodworth and Higham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Moorhouse in 1904

**Dodworth Auxilliary Fire Service Band**

Active in the 1940s

**Dodworth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*

**Dodworth Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*

**Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1836 - Former names: Dodworth Prize Band, Dodworth Miners Welfare Band, Dodworth Colliery Band, British Steel Dodworth Band, JWE Mobile Phone Dodworth Band (1993?-1996), Dodworth Miners Welfare Phoenix Band, Dodworth Phoenix Band

**Dodworth Miners Welfare Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*

**Dodworth Miners Welfare Phoenix Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*

- Dodworth Phoenix Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*
- Dodworth Prize Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Records of the band, from 1887-1942, are held by Barnsley Archive and Local Studies Department
- Dodworth Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Conductor G. Wray in 1860.
- Doe Lea Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1910s
- Dolgellau Brass Band** - Merioneth  
Active from the 1860s to the 1890s
- Dolgellau Institute Brass Band** - Merioneth  
See: *Dolgellau Brass Band*
- Dolgellau Silver Band** - Merioneth  
Founded in 1906, conductor Taliesin Davies
- Dolgellau Temperance Band** - Merioneth  
Active in 1908, conductor Mr Meredith
- Dolgelly Brass Band** - Merioneth  
See: *Dolgellau Brass Band*
- Dolton Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1856, 1860
- Dolwyddelan Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Don Valley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Oughtibridge Brass Band*
- Don Valley Working Men's Brass Band** - Oughtibridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1920s
- Doncaster Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1893, under the baton of David Cameron. Had folded by 1907
- Doncaster Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1872
- Doncaster Britannia Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1930
- Doncaster Druids Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Doncaster Excelsior Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in December 1909, competed at the Crystal Palace in 1910, the bandmaster, Mr Fox, emigrated to New Zealand in 1911.
- Doncaster Loco Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in June 1852 with £50 spent on instruments. Celebrated an anniversary supper on 28 June 1853 with 66 persons present. On 5 June 1854 it accompanied the children of the Doncaster Plant Works school to Askern Spa on the occasion of the laying of the Plant School foundation stone. It did not survive much beyond this and did not have a regular bandmaster or musical director.
- Doncaster National Union of Railwaymen Band**  
See: *Doncaster NUR Band*

**Doncaster NUR Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active around 1928 until at least 1931, the National Union of Railwaymen's band played in Elmfield Park, Doncaster on 16 August 1931 under the baton of JW Ellis.

**Doncaster Plant Works Band**

See: *Great Northern Railway Plant Works Band*

**Doncaster Public Band**

See: *Doncaster Temperance Band*

**Doncaster Public Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Doncaster Temperance Band*

**Doncaster Railway Foundry Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Took part in the first South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, at Doncaster, on 29th August 1859

**Doncaster Rifles Band**

See: *20th West Riding Yorkshire Volunteer Band*

**Doncaster Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Doncaster Temperance Band*

**Doncaster Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed around 1898, conductor A.W. Bone. Renamed Doncaster Temperance Prize Band shortly afterwards. Several disputes between players and trustees were heard in the courts in 1902, even with a submission to wind up the band, by its founder, but it survived, renaming as Doncaster Public Subscription Band in 1908, under conductor J.M. Ellis. Active through to the 1920s

**Doncaster Volunteers Band**

See: *20th West Riding Yorkshire Volunteer Band*

**Donhead St Mary Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1890s

**Donibristle Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1861 to 1866

**Donington Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1859

**Donington Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1863

**Donnington Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1855, 1870

**Donnington Wood Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1863 to 1866. Bandmaster Mr Grant, leader Mr Bradeley in 1866

**Donnington Wood Institute Band** - Shropshire

Presumed to have been formed in the 1890s and folding before 1900. In 1902, William Lawrence, a talented euphonium and violin player already with an excellent reputation, offered his services and the Donnington Wood Institute Band was resurrected. He became bandmaster and in September 1904 the band won the Quickstep contest at St Georges Wakes. They entered more competitions during the next few years, achieving several placings but never a first. In 1907 the band was catastrophically unplaced in a competition at Shrewsbury which led to William Lawrence appealing to his band to 'think musically'. They did. In June 1908 they won the County Championship and arrived home very late. The people of Donnington Wood were woken up by the band playing 'See the conquering hero comes!' as they strolled along the dark lanes back to

The Bell. The band went on to win more competitions, including the County Championship an unprecedented four times in succession. St Georges Temperance Band made an official objection to the result of the 1910 competition but their appeal was rejected; in an act of mischievous jubilation, the Donnington Wood Band gave an impromptu performance at the crossroads in St Georges, rubbing salt into a very open wound. The rivalry between the (by that time) three St Georges bands and the Donnington Wood Brass Band continued for several years. The outbreak of the First World War brought an end to the Donnington Wood Brass Band. Many of its members perished during the war. The band was revived for a short time in 1924, again under the leadership of William Lawrence. He died in December that year and was buried in St Matthew's Churchyard. The band played him out. William's son, also named William, took up the reins of office and, despite another ten years or so of public appearances, things were never the same and the band eventually ceased to function. A last attempt to resurrect failing fortunes occurred during the 1940s under the leadership of Tom Dodd, without success.

#### **Donnington Wood Silver Prize Band - Shropshire**

Formed in the 1950s. The band had ceased playing by 1961 and passed their instruments and library to Trench Secondary Modern School. The school had a Brass band for about 2 years but started to incorporate clarinets and a saxophone by 1963. The band carried out a number of public concerts and garden fetes outside of the school remit. The school band conductor was Derrick Ball.

#### **Dorchester Brass Band - Dorset**

Active from the 1830s through to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Palmer in 1865

#### **Dorchester Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active from the 1840s through to the 1890s

#### **Dorchester Prison Guards Band - Dorset**

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1

#### **Dordon Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in the 1890s to 1910s. Conductor J. Wright in 1903

#### **Dordon Sunday School Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1894

#### **Dore Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Founded in 1877 by the Vicar of Dore, Rev. Alred. First conductor George H. Elliott, Joseph Marshall in 1885. Henry Taylor became conductor in 1886, remaining so until shortly before his death in 1932. He was succeeded by his son, Shirley Taylor. As Shirley Taylor lived in Totley the band was often thereafter referred to as the Totley Brass Band

#### **Dorking Brass Band - Surrey**

Active from the 1850s to 1956. Conductor Mr Gosling in 1859, George Snelling in 1888. In the Dorking Town Museum archives documents mention the band at an entertainment in 1882, open air concerts at the Rotunda, South Street and at Milton Heath, appearance in Dorking Town Day in 1956. The band played weekly in the bandstand in Dorking in the early part of the 20th century. There are also the "Recollections of Dorking Town Band pre 1939" by Jim Aslett, who joined the band in 1933 aged 18. In the book "Dickens' Christmas", a collection of articles either by Dickens himself or writers of the same generation, there is an item 'Singers from Afar' by Charles Rose and is headed 'This recollection of Charles Rose, a draper from Dorking in Surrey, who was born in 1818 and died in 1879, was published in book form in 1878 and looks back to a time ranging from

the days of George the 4th to the earliest days of Victoria's reign (1830s)'. Included in the article is this 'The Dorking Town Band, which at that time favourably compared with the bands of the neighbouring places, heralded the season by playing for some nights previous to Christmas in front of the residences of the principal inhabitants.' and 'Christmas Day was ushered in by the ringing of the church bells and the strains of the band. The tunes of the latter were usually of a sacred character, but I remember the band playing on one or two Christmas mornings, forty or forty five years ago (1835?) the tune 'Get up! Get up! And put the Pudding in the Pot!'

**Dorking Town Band** - Surrey

See: *Dorking Brass Band*

**Dorman Long and Company Works Band** - Redcar, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed as Dorman's Works Band in 1875, and still active in 1950

**Dorman's Works Band**

See: *Dorman Long and Company Works Band*

**Dormansland Brass Band** - Surrey

Active from 1913 to the early 1970s. W. A. Bryant was conductor from the 1950s onwards.

**Dornoch Brass Band** - Sutherland

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1900s. Conductor James Gunn in 1892, played at the opening of the Dornoch Railway in 1902, still active in 1905

**Dorrington Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1840s to the 1860s and in the 1930s. Conductor Mr Cover in 1860

**Dorset County Industrial School for Boys Band** - Milborne St Andrew, Dorset

The school was established as a Reformatory School in 1856, converting to an Industrial School in 1881. The band was active from 1866 to the 1890s.

**Dorset Teetotal Brass Band** - Weymouth, Dorset

Active in 1855

**Douglas Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1860s through to 1918. Conductor Mr Watson in 1867. Renamed Douglas Silver Band, probably after WW1. Still active in the 1930s

**Douglas Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire

The colliery was sited at Rigside on the banks of Douglas Water. Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Also known as Douglas Water Brass Band or Rigside Brass Band

**Douglas Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Douglas Brass Band*

**Douglas Town Band** - Isle of Man

[current band] - Founded in 1887

**Douglas Volunteers Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Douglas Water Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Douglas Colliery Band*

**Doone Brass Band** - Perthshire

See: *Deanston Brass Band*

**Doura Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1872, when they participated in the celebrations for the opening of the new Orange Hall in Irvine.

**Douro House School Brass Band** - St John's Wood, Middlesex  
Active in 1861

**Dove Holes Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Former names: Dove Holes Public Band

**Dove Holes Prize Band**  
Active in 1926

**Dove Holes Public Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dove Holes Brass Band*

**Dove Valley Brass Band**  
Active around 1910

**Dovedale Alliance Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1980s

**Dover Town Band** - Kent  
Active between 1893 and 1910

**Dover Youths' Institute Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1862, conductor T. Browning

**Dovercourt Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1990s

**Dovercourt Corporation Band** - Essex  
Active in 1912

**Dowlais Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active from 1853 to the early 1900s.

**Dowlais Rifles Band**  
See: *Dowlais Volunteers Band*

**Dowlais Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1920s through to the 1950s

**Dowlais Town Band**  
See: *Dowlais Silver Band*

**Dowlais Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Dowlish Wake Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1890s through to WW1. G.E. Fowler conductor in 1895 to 1914

**Downall Green Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *North Ashton Brass Band*

**Downall Green Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s

**Downend Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active from the early 1860s to the 1930s. Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864. Conductor C. Greenway in 1864-7, W. Davies in 1881, James Punter in 1884-1903, and A. Smith in 1927. In 1894 it took part in a temperance procession at Downend on July 11th. Also known as Greenway's Brass Band or Greenway's Brass and Reed (Downend) Band.

**Downer Grammar School Brass Band** - Edgware, Middlesex  
Active in the early 1970s

**Downham Brass Band**  
See: *Little Downham Brass Band*

**Downholland Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1881

**Downton Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Downton Band, Downton Huntsman Band

**Downton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1853. A successor (current) band was formed in 1889

**Downton Huntsman Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Downton Band*

**Dowty Equipment Brass Band** - Northway, Gloucestershire

Active during WW2.

**Doynton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1859, leader Evan Perry, farmer (d. 1860). Conductor Mr Greenway in 1862

**Dr Barnardo's Homes Brass Band**

Active in the 1920s

**Dr Bell's School Band** - Leith, Midlothian

Founded in 1926.

**Dr Guthrie's Industrial School Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Active in the 1880s. The Ragged Schools were formed by Thomas Guthrie in the city. The schools eventually closed in the 1980s.

**Drakelow Mission Chapel Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1912

**Drake's Alliance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Alliance Brass Band*

**Drax Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Records of the band, from 1927-1951, are held by York University: Borthwick Institute of Historical Research

**Draycott Brass Band** - Draycott in the Moors, Staffordshire

Active in 1861

**Draycott Brass Band** - near Wells, Somerset

Active in 1864

**Draycott Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1855

**Draycott Coldstream Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s

**Drayton Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Castleton Brass*

**Drayton Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Market Drayton Brass Band*

**Drayton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Drayton Juniors Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Drayton Royal British Legion Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Castleton Brass*

**Drefach Brass Band**

[no information]



**Dreghorn Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863

**Dreghorn Youth Band** - Ayrshire

Merged with Irvine Youth Band in 1983 to form the current Irvine and Dreghorn Brass Band

**Dresden Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Dreudraeth Brass Band** - Merioneth

[no information]

**Drifffield Glee Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1862

**Drifffield Primitive Methodist Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1906, conductor A. Marshall

**Drifffield Rifles Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Drifffield Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1857 - Former names: Drifffield Town Band (a brass and woodwind band) formed in 1828, converted to all brass in 1857

**Drifffield Town Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Drifffield Silver Band*

**Drifffield United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Drifffield Silver Band*

**Drift Brass Band** - Cornwall

Competed in Penzance in 1893. Played at the Wesleyan Sunday school tea treat in St Buryan in 1895. Still active in 1898

**Drigg and Irton Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1865, conductor Thomas Richardson. Still active in 1867

**Drighlington and Adwalton Band**

See: *Drighlington Brass Band*

**Drighlington and Adwalton Comic Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1911, when it brought up the rear of the procession at the Co-op Children's Gala in Drighlington, a special treat for all the children, aged 4 to 15, of the Drighlington and District Co-operative Society.

**Drighlington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: Drighlington Brass Band, Yorkshire Electricity Drighlington Band

**Drighlington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s. It had been renamed the Drighlington and Adwalton Band by 1879. Joseph Wilson secretary in 1885. A successor band was formed in 1976

**Droitwich Amateur Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Droitwich Brass Band*

**Droitwich Brass Band (1)** - Worcestershire

Active in the early 1860s. Conductor J. Holyoake in 1862. Folded some time prior to 1869 when a successor band was formed (including a few of the remaining members of this band)

**Droitwich Brass Band (2)** - Worcestershire

Formed in 1869. Active through to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Loughton in 1875

- Droitwich Foresters' Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Formed in 1878, conductor A. Loughton in 1879-1884. Still active in the mid-1890s
- Droitwich Institute Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Formed in 1858, conductor Joseph Greaves
- Droitwich Mechanics' Literary Institute Band**  
See: *Droitwich Institute Brass Band*
- Dronfield Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: New Dronfield Band, Staveley Works Band (1940s), Stagecoach East Midland Bus Company Band? (1991-1994?) - Note: Other related bands: Dronfield Temperance Brass Band (to 1940s)
- Dronfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active from the 1850s to the 1910s. Conductor W. Cook in 1859. Acquired new instruments in 1895
- Dronfield Mission Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1900
- Dronfield Steel Works Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1878
- Dronfield Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Wound up in the late 1940s, known as Dronfield Temperance Brass and Reed Band in the early 1900s
- Dronfield Town Band**  
See: *Dronfield Brass Band*
- Droxford Circuit Brass Band**  
See: *Droxford Methodist Brass Band*
- Droxford Methodist Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active between 1910 and 1976
- Droylsden and District Brass Band**  
Active from the 1960s to the 1980s
- Droylsden Brass Band**  
See: *Droylsden Village Band*
- Droylsden Church Sunday School Brass Band**  
Active in 1857, conductor J. Melling
- Droylsden District Brass**  
See: *Droylsden and District Brass Band*
- Droylsden Village Band**  
Active from the 1850s to 1914. James Tomlinson bandmaster in the 1880s
- Druids Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Druids' Brass Band*
- Druids Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
See: *Rochdale Druids Brass Band*
- Druids Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s
- Drumpellier Instrumental Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1860, 1863
- Drumpellier Saxhorn Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1872

**Drury Lane L.C.C. School Band** - London

Active in 1908

**Dry Clough Band**

See: *Ponden Band*

**Drybrook and District Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *A W Parker (Drybrook) Band*

**Drybrook Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1880s, conductor F. Beechey in 1881. Active to WW1, folded at the end of the war. A successor band was formed in 1924 (purchasing a new set of instruments costing £385)

**Dubs Loco Works Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Founded in 1900. Dubs and Company was a locomotive works in Polmadie, Glasgow, founded by Henry Dubs in 1863. 1903 It became part of the North British Locomotive Company. They built 4,485 locomotives. The band was still active in 1906

**Duddingston and Craigmillar Brass Band**

See: *Duddingston Brass Band*

**Duddingston Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the early 1900s up to WW1. Bandmaster Mr Hogg in 1907

**Dudley and District Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the early 1900s, 1920s and 1970s

**Dudley Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from the early 1860s to the 1880s. Conductor T. Carter in 1867, Thomas Dunn in 1869. It did have links with the colliery. Presumably replaced by the colliery band which formed in 1890.

**Dudley Brass Band (1)** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1860s

**Dudley Brass Band (2)** - Staffordshire

See: *Dudley and District Band*

**Dudley Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1890. Changed its name to Hartley Main Colliery Band before 1939, but reverted to Dudley Colliery Band in 1947. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by K. Bond. Another report gives its formation in 1894 as a brass and reed band, converting to all-brass in 1896.

**Dudley Colliery Excelsior Band** - Northumberland

See: *Dudley Colliery Band*

**Dudley Colliery Workmen's Prize Band** - Northumberland

See: *Dudley Colliery Band*

**Dudley District Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1970s through 1990s. Renamed Hanger Motors Band, and then Banks Brewery Band by the 1990s through sponsorship.

**Dudley Excelsior Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1900s to WW1

**Dudley Hill Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1880s

**Dudley Hill Imperial Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Dudley Hill Band*

- Dudley Metropolitan Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1979
- Dudley Old Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Dudley Brass Band (Staffordshire)*
- Dudley Port Excelsior Band**  
See: *Revo Works Brass Band*
- Dudley Port Prize Band**  
See: *Revo Works Brass Band*
- Dudley Port Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Dudley Saxhorn Band**  
See: *Dudley Brass Band (Northumberland)*
- Dudley Silver Model Prize Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1903
- Dudley St Martin's Band**  
See: *Revo Works Brass Band*
- Dudley Temperance Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Dudley U.M.F.C. Temperance Brass Band*
- Dudley Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Dudley Town Band**  
See: *Dudley and District Band*
- Dudley U.M.F.C. Temperance Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1890s to 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Haskin in 1899. The United Methodist Free Church (U.M.F.C.)
- Dudley Workmen's Silver Model Prize Band**  
See: *Dudley Colliery Band*
- Duffield Ambulance Band** - Derbyshire  
Formed in 1901, active through to WW1
- Duffield Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1855, 1863 and the 1880s
- Duffield Subscription Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Duffield Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1867
- Duffield Victoria Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1912
- Dufftown Brass Band** - Banffshire  
Active in 1863 to 1868. Bandmaster Mr Grant in 1866
- Dufton Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Formed by Mr Deighton, the schoolmaster. Conductor John Wilson in 1857, Mr Cockburn in 1867. Still active in the early 1900s
- Duggleby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1851
- Duke and Sons Brass Band** - Penshurst, Kent  
Active in 1855 and 1859. Duke and Sons manufactured sports equipment and made the first-ever six-seam cricket ball in 1780.

**Duke Brass Band**

See: *Ashington Duke Brass Band*

**Duke of York's School Brass Band** - Dover, Kent

Active in 1948 - at the Duke of York's Royal Military School.

**Duke Street Gospel Mission Band** - Workington, Cumberland

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Dukinfield Druids' Brass Band** - Cheshire

Founded in 1861

**Dulais Valley Silver Band**

Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section),  
conducted by Stanley Dodd

**Dulverton Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active in 1866, conductor Mr Sanger

**Dulverton Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

See: *Dulverton Silver Band*

**Dulverton Silver Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1870 as Dulverton Subscription Band, then Dulverton Brass Band. Silver  
Band title adopted in 1929

**Dulverton Subscription Band** - Somerset

See: *Dulverton Silver Band*

**Dulwich Grove Mission Band** - Surrey

Active in 1908, conductor Mr Hunter

**Dulyn Brass Band** - Nantlle,

Active in 1905

**Dumbarton Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active in 1866

**Dumbarton Burgh Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1950s. John Donovan conductor in 1904

**Dumbarton Town Band**

See: *Dumbarton Burgh Band*

**Dumfries and Area Youth Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in the 1970s

**Dumfries Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

See: *Dumfries Instrumental Band*

**Dumfries Instrumental Band** - Dumfriesshire

Founded in 1852, president Sheriff Trotter, vice-president William Gregan, secretary and  
treasurer John Taylor, committee members Messrs Harkness, Tibbetts and Riddick.  
Conductor Thomas Brydone in 1857

**Dumfries Town Band** - Dumfriesshire

[current band] - Founded in 1873

**Dumfries Volunteers Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in 1866

**Dunaskin Doon Silver Band** - Ayrshire

[current band] - Founded in 1869 - Note: Originally the works band for the  
Dalmellington Iron Company at Waterside

**Dunbar Burgh Brass Band** - East Lothian

Active in the 1890s. It folded around 1900 due to lack of support in the poor economic conditions in the area at that time.

**Dunbar Instrumental Band** - East Lothian

Founded in 1898, conductor Mr Mortimer. Held weekly practices with "a full membership" in 1906. The band was dissolved in November 1924 due to the difficulties of finding a conductor and through members of the band having left the district.

**Dunbartonshire Rife Volunteers (Bonhill)** - Dunbartonshire

Active in the 1860s, conductor George Park in 1864

**Dunblane Brass Band**

See: *Dunblane Town Band*

**Dunblane Town Band** - Perthshire

Active from the early 1860s, re-organised in 1906, folding in 1914 through lack of support from the public.

**Dunchurch Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1909 - Former names: Dunchurch Silver Band

**Dunchurch Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Dunchurch Band*

**Dundee Band of Hope Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1858, 1859, conductor John Thow. This was a juvenile band

**Dundee Band of Hope Juvenile Brass Band** - Angus

See: *Dundee Band of Hope Brass Band*

**Dundee Corporation Employees Band** - Angus

Founded in 1909

**Dundee Excelsior Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1859, 1864.

**Dundee Forebank Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1859, conductor James McInroy. Still active in 1862

**Dundee Instrumental Band (1)** - Angus

Active in 1863, contemporary with the Dundee Thistle Brass Band

**Dundee Instrumental Band (2)** - Angus

[current band] - Founded in 1893 - Former names: St Margaret's (Old) Silver Band

**Dundee Juvenile Temperance Brass Band** - Angus

See: *Dundee Band of Hope Brass Band*

**Dundee Naval Band (H.M.S. Unicorn)** - Angus

Active in the 1900s, bandmaster J. Dow in 1908

**Dundee R.N.V.R. Band**

See: *RNR (Tay Division) Brass Band*

**Dundee Thistle Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1863, contemporary with the Dundee Instrumental Band

**Dundee Trades Band** - Angus

Active in the 1880s. Practised in Dudhope Barracks. Bandmaster A.A. Patterson in 1900. Also active between the 1930s and 1960s

**Dundee Volunteers Band** - Angus

Active in the 1890s. Folded prior to 1908

**Dundry and Chew Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1869

**Dunfermline Rifle Volunteers Band** - Fife

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor David Johnstone in 1890

**Dunfermline Town Band** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1882

**Dungworth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1911

**Dunham Woodhouses Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1890s to the early 1960s. After WW2 the bandmaster was Waclaw Piekarski, a Pole who had been a guard at the Dunham Massey P.O.W. camp. The band met at the Downs Hotel, Altrincham.

**Dunlop Works Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Disbanded during WW2.

**Dunmow Brass Band (1)** - Essex

Formed in 1848, active in the 1850s

**Dunmow Brass Band (2)** - Essex

Formed in 1883, with their first public performance in December 1883, consisting of 17 members. Bandmaster H. Juler in 1886, J.T. Martin in 1888, A.T. Wilton in the 1890s to 1910s. The band was still active in 1913

**Dunnikier Brass Band** - Fife

Formed around 1872, still active in 1919. Conductor D. Day in 1890

**Dunnikier Colliery Band** - Fife

Active from the 1880s to c. 1930

**Dunning Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1857

**Dunn's Tailors' Labour Agency Literary Institute Brass Band** - Newington, Surrey

Active in 1866 to 1869

**Dunoon Brass Band** - Argyllshire

Active in the 1860s. Also in 1904 when they were provided with new uniforms by the town council.

**Duns Brass Band** - Berwickshire

Active in 1853, conductor Mr Donaldson

**Duns Tew and Aston Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1857

**Dunscar Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Bolton Brass Works*

**Dunscar Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Dunscar Works Band*

**Dunscar Works Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1887, bandmaster R. Kay. Active into the 1890s. They attended a contest in Bromley Cross arranged by the Eagley Band in 1888. The contest took the form of a quickstep from Eagley Bridge to the Spread Eagle Pub where the band secured a first prize of £1. Later in the day the bands played a Waltz and Polka, but unfortunately the band could not repeat its success of the morning. The Dunscar Works were a cotton manufactory, which were the first to introduce "beetling" - pounding the fabric to give a flat, lustrous effect.

**Dunstable Borough Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Formed as the Dunstable Rifle Volunteer Band around 1860. The first bandmaster was Henry Farrer. It became the Dunstable Borough Band around 1864. In 1898 the bandmaster was George Franklin of Church Street. 1914, the bandmaster was Frederick Franklin, of 4 Princes Street. 1937, the conductor was F. Duncombe. The band did not survive WW2.

**Dunstable Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1851, conductor E.B. Donne. Still active in 1864

**Dunstable Excelsior Prize Band** - Bedfordshire

Founded in 1865 as the Dunstable Temperance Band. Conducted by H. Watson in 1871. In 1885 it amalgamated for a brief period with the Houghton Regis Band, to form the Dunstable Promenade Band. The bands split thereafter to go their separate ways again, the Temperance Band renaming itself as the Excelsior Band by 1898. In 1903/1914 - W. Dolman was the bandmaster, of Icknield Street. It folded around 1963.

**Dunstable Excelsior Silver Prize Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Dunstable Excelsior Prize Band*

**Dunstable Promenade Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Dunstable Excelsior Prize Band*

**Dunstable Temperance Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Dunstable Excelsior Prize Band*

**Dunstable Temperance Excelsior Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Dunstable Excelsior Brass Band*

**Dunston and Nocton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s, conductor Mr Greenwood. Still active in 1909

**Dunston Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Dunston Wesleyan Mission Band*

**Dunston Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Dunston and Nocton Brass Band*

**Dunston Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster Mr Hacker. Folded in 1906 with its instruments being bought by the Rye Hill Mission Band

**Dunston Excelsior Band** - Durham

Active in the 1950s

**Dunston Silver Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Dunston Temperance Band

**Dunston Temperance Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Dunston Silver Band*

**Dunston Temperance Band** - Durham

See: *Dunston Wesleyan Mission Band*

**Dunston Wesleyan Mission Band** - Durham

Founded in 1887 by Joshua Greenwood, later renamed Dunston Temperance Band, also known as Dunston-on-Tyne Brass Band. Still active in 1908

**Dunston-on-Tyne Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Dunston Wesleyan Mission Band*

**Duntocher Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1829 - Former names: Spinner's Band, Duntocher Brass Band (1870s),



**Duntocher Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s

**Duntocher Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire

See: *Duntocher Brass Band*

**Duple Coachworks Brass Band** - Hendon, Middlesex

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Dupplin Castle Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1867. Formed from tenants of the estate of the Earl of Kinnoull

**Durham Artillery Silksworth Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *RMT Silksworth Band*

**Durham City Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1850s to the 1930s. Secretary R. Dalby in 1856. Conductor Henry Cusworth in 1859, William Teasdale in 1868

**Durham City Old Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Durham City Brass Band*

**Durham Colliery Mechanics Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Ferryhill Town Band*

**Durham Constabulary Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1967

**Durham Imperial Lads Brigade Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s

**Durham Miners' Association Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 2009 - Note: Amalgamation of Broughtons Brass Band and Hetton Silver Band

**Durham Old Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Durham Shakespeare Prize Band** - Durham

Founded 1910. New instruments in 1914. 19 men enlisted in 1915. The band enlisted en masse in 1939 as the Band of the 11th Durham Light Infantry. All the instruments and nine bandsmen were left behind in the Dunkirk evacuation and two lost their lives. The band was reformed in England and went on to play across Europe during the War. It resumed its civilian status on demobilisation. As Durham Shakespeare Temperance Band it competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Probably folded in the early 1960s

**Durham Shakespeare Temperance Band** - Durham

See: *Durham Shakespeare Prize Band*

**Durham Street Mission Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1900s and still active in 1931. The Mission was established in 1891 and was intended as a rescue home and food and shelter depot. It included a home for working men and a rescue home, shelter and laundry for girls. The band went out inviting people to the mission and sometimes had open-air meetings in the market on a Saturday night. Some members: Mr Cook (caretaker and tenor horn player), Dave Chilvers (trombone), Mr and Mrs G Manton (euphonium). The Mission closed around 1936.

**Durham Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in 1906

**Durham Union Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Durham Union Workhouse Brass Band*

**Durham Union Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham

Active from 1863 to the mid-1880s. Consisting of youths from the workhouse aged 6 to 14. 14 boys in the band in 1868, conductor George Richardson

**Durham University Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 2002

**Durham Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Durham Union Workhouse Brass Band*

**Durley Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1920s. Used to play in the "Little Yard" by the Sawmill on Sundays and were a reasonably large group in the 1920s, even if a number of the musicians, like bandmaster Edgar Adams from Bishop's Waltham, came from outside the parish.

**Durnovaria Silver Band** - Dorchester, Dorset

[current band] - Founded in 1936

**Dursley Territorial Band**

See: *Dursley Volunteers Band*

**Dursley Volunteers Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s to WW1

**DUT Yorkshire Imperial Band**

See: *Yorkshire Imperial Band*

**Dutton Forshaw Motors Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackpool Brass*

**Dyffryn Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in the 1850s to 1868

**Dyffryn Silver Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1948

**Dykehead Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1864, conductor Mr Chalmers, and through to the 1940s

**Dykehead Instrumental Band**

See: *Dykehead Brass Band*

**Dysart Colliery Silver Band** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: Dysart Town Band - Note: Became associated with the Randolph, Frances and Lady Blanche Collieries when the Earl of Roslyn sold out to the Fife Coal Company in 1923. Members competed regularly until 1969, before returning to competition in 2004.

**Dysart Town Band** - Fife

[previous name of current band] See: *Dysart Colliery Silver Band*

**E Division Police Brass Band** - Holborn, Middlesex

Active in 1863 to 1868. Conductor Mr Lane in 1863, Mr Pierce in 1868. See also B, D, G, H, K, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**E. R. Youth Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hessle Youth Band*

**Eagley Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Eagley Sunday School Band, Eagley Band, Eagley Mills Band, Eagley Mills Prize, Band

**Eagley Mills Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Eagley Brass Band*

**Eagley Sunday School Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Eagley Brass Band*

**Ealing Auxillary Fire Service Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1941

**Ealing Borough Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1914 - Thomas J. Allen, secretary of 4 Alexandria Road

**Ealing Central Band** - Middlesex

Founded in 1945. The band was founded as a junior band to teach youngsters by former members of the Ealing Auxillary Fire Service Band, and gradually expanded, it was transferred to the next Borough of Southall as the Southall Brass Band around 1950 because of lack of support from the Ealing Council. Then known as Southall Borough Band. Dan Burgess was the conductor.

**Ealing Town Band** - Middlesex

Active in from the 1890s to the 1930s. Bandmaster W.J.D. Sheriff in 1901

**Earby Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1840 - Former names: Earby Prize Brass Band

**Earby Mechanics Institute Band**

Active in the 1860s

**Earl of Carlisle's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Welburn Brass Band*

**Earl of Kinnoull's Brass Band** - Perthshire

See: *Dupplin Castle Brass Band*

**Earl of Strathmore's Brass Band** - Glamis, Angus

Active in 1862, and 1863, when it played at the opening of Dundee People's Park.

Conductor Mr Anderson in 1867. Still active in the mid-1870s. Also known as Strathmore Brass Band, Glamis Brass Band

**Earl Shilton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1880/82 with conductor J. Smith. Known as Earl Shilton New Brass Band in 1884 (conductor George Rowley). James Lynes was conductor in 1893, when known as Earl Shilton Britannia Prize Brass Band. Henry Cook was bandmaster c. 1947

**Earl Shilton Britannia Prize Brass Band**

See: *Earl Shilton Brass Band*

**Earl Shilton Excelsior Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1880s. Amalgamated with Earl Shilton Old Band around 1900 to form Earl Shilton United Band.

**Earl Shilton New Brass Band**

See: *Earl Shilton Brass Band*

**Earl Shilton Old Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1880s. Amalgamated with Earl Shilton Excelsior Band around 1900 to form Earl Shilton United Band.

**Earl Shilton Silver Prize Band** - Leicestershire

Formed some time after 1918 - Secretary was Arthur Coley in 1936.

**Earl Shilton United Band** - Leicestershire

Formed by the amalgamation of Earl Shilton Old Band and Earl Shilton Excelsior Band. It folded after the outbreak of WW1.

**Earle Bourne and Co. Brass Band** - Rotton Park, Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s. Earle Bourne was a Rolling and Tube Mills works.

**Earle's Shipbuilding Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Earlestown Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Earlestown Viaduct Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded around 1886. Active through to the late 1940s.

**Earls Barton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Earls Barton Old Silver Band*

**Earls Barton Britannia Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1885 by Walter Reynolds. Active through to the early 1900s. Disbanded prior to 1908

**Earls Barton Old Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1880s through to the 1990s. Bandmaster G. Ashton in 1882. Charles Stewart, secretary in 1914. Horace F. Brawn was bandmaster prior to WW1, when he went into service. He was killed March 28th 1918, while acting as a stretcher bearer; a brilliant cornet player, he used to play with Wellingborough Temperance, Rushden Rifles, and Earls Barton bands; had thrice previously been wounded. The band had folded by 2008 when its music library was saved from a skip.

**Earls Colne Band** - Essex

From their formation in 1888, leader O. Smith, the Earls Colne Band provided musical accompaniment for many local events, their final performance was in 1953.

**Earls Colne Total Abstinence Band** - Essex

Active in 1895

**Earls House Industrial School Band** - Witton Gilbert, Durham

Active between 1905 and 1914

**Earl's House Industrial School Band** - Witton Gilbert, Durham

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. The Durham Industrial School for Boys was opened in 1885, and the band, consisting of 24 boys, was active by 1896.

**Earlseat, Lochheat and Victoria Band**

See: *Victoria Lochhead Band*

**Earlsheaton Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Earlswood Asylum Brass Band** - Redhill, Surrey

Active in 1862 - composed principally of officers and attendants, but including a few patients.

**Earsdon Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1860, conductor John Potts

**Easdale Brass Band** - Argyllshire

Active in 1867, 1868

**Easington Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Easington Lane Brass Band*

**Easington Colliery Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1913 - Former names: Easington Colliery Band (to 2006), RMT Easington Colliery Band (to 2009) - Note: Merged with Easington Public Band in 1956

**Easington Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in 1913. Merged with the Easington Public Band in 1956, retaining the colliery band name, to form the current Easington Colliery Band

**Easington Colliery Youth Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Easington Public Band*

**Easington Colliery Youth Band** - Durham

See: *Easington Public Band*

**Easington Lane and South Hetton Band** - Durham

See: *Easington Lane Brass Band*

**Easington Lane Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1859 and through to the early 1900s

**Easington National Fire Service Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Easington Public Band*

**Easington Public Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1915 - Former names: Easington Colliery Youth Band (to 1940), National Fire Service Band (to 1945), Easington National Fire Service Band - Note: Merged with Easington Colliery Band in 1956

**Easington Public Band** - Durham

Formed in 1915 as Easington Colliery Youth Band, became the National Fire Service Band during World War 2 and thereafter Easington Public Band. Merged with Easington Colliery Band in 1956.

**Easingwold Brass** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1901 - Former names: Easingwold Town Band

**Easingwold Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1830s to the 1860s. A successor band was formed in the 1890s

**Easingwold Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Easingwold Temperance Band*

**Easingwold Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1887, and in 1899 when it played at a grand ball in Husthwaite. Isaac Fox was a cornet player and conductor and was band master of the band. When the band folded, sometime before 1930, he became conductor of the Easingwold Town Band.

**Easingwold Town Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Easingwold Brass*

**East and West Cowes Town Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[previous name of current band] See: *Cowes Concert Band*

**East and West Ilsley Baptist Brass Band** - Berkshire

Formed in 1889, leader Alfred Horsman. Still active in 1895.

**East Anglian School Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Great Yarmouth Brass*

**East Ardsley and Thorpe Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *East Ardsley Brass Band*

**East Ardsley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s through to the 1920s, bandmaster William Davey in 1906

**East Ardsley Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *East Ardsley Brass Band*

**East Barkwith Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**East Beckham Brass Band**

[no information]

**East Benhar Instrumental Brass Band**

Active in 1886

**East Bergholt Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in the 1900s

**East Berks (Reading) Band**

See: *Waltham St. Lawrence Silver Band*

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**East Brent Brass Band - Somerset**

Active from 1861

**East Bristol Temperance Band**

See: *Bristol East Temperance Band*

**East Budleigh Brass Band - Devon**

Active in the 1880s to the 1930s. Conductor Mr Clotworthy in 1894. In 1929 the band acquired a new set of 15 silver instruments and renamed itself the East Budleigh Silver Band. The old instruments were handed over to "young enthusiasts".

**East Challow Brass Band - Berkshire**

Active in the 1850s

**East Clwyd Youth Brass Band**

Active in the 1970s. It was formed in the county of the then Clwyd and the players were all pupils of various schools in the county. They usually practised at Ysgol Mold Alun, Maes Garmon and Buckley Elfed. In the summer of 1976 they toured in Germany and Holland, playing at several venues, including the forces theatre in Rheindarlen, Germany. The conductor at that time was Graham Jones, who went on to conduct various well known bands in North Wales.

**East Compton Brass Band**

See: *Easter Compton Brass Band*

**East Cowes Town Band - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)**

[current band]

**East Cramlington Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in the 1890s

**East Dean Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in the 1920s. Conductor in 1924 was W. Gumbleton.

**East Dean Brass Band - Sussex**

In 1877 the opening of a temperance hotel and hall in the town was disturbed by the playing of a band employed by a local publican.

**East Dereham Brass Band - Norfolk**

Active in 1860, leader W. Raymond King. Still active in 1865

**East Dereham Mechanics Brass Band - Norfolk**

Founded in 1868

**East Dereham Temperance Brass Band - Norfolk**

Founded in 1886

**East End Brass Band**

See: *East End Harmonic Brass Band*

### **East End Harmonic Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham

A number of men from the East End of Sunderland had the idea of forming a brass band and this was achieved in 1887. Many of the East End Prize Band were paying members but did not play instruments, they did, however, play football. The officials knew that by keeping the men together their interest in the band would be maintained. Therefore, they helped them form a football club: East End Black Watch. The title Black Watch did not have a local connection, a committee man thought "the name would encourage the players to succeed as had the famous Highland regiment." On April 19th, 1893 a game was played on the Town Moor between Black Watch and the East End Brass Band, with the referee in Chinese costume. A collection was taken during the match for the benefit of the band.

### **East Essex Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Tiptree Brass Band (2)*

### **East Finchley Mission Band**

See: *East Finchley Wesleyan Band*

### **East Finchley Wesleyan Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1904-1909

### **East Grafton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the early 1900s

### **East Grinstead Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s

### **East Grinstead Town Band** - Sussex

Founded around 1884, conductor Mr Pocock. Active to the 1930s. Amalgamated with the East Grinstead Volunteers Band in 1905, and briefly known as East Grinstead Volunteer and Town Band, soon reverting back to East Grinstead Town Band

### **East Grinstead Volunteer and Town Band**

See: *East Grinstead Town Band*

### **East Grinstead Volunteers Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Amalgamated with the East Grinstead Town Band in 1905

### **East Halton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s, conductor Edward Westoby in 1879, and W. Walker in 1881.

### **East Ham Borough Band (1)** - Essex

Active in 1908 - possible rival to Grangewood Silver Band at that time - although the latter was known as East Ham Borough Band at a later date.

### **East Ham Borough Band (2)**

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

### **East Ham Silver Band**

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

### **East Ham Town Band**

See: *East Ham Borough Band (1)*

### **East Ham Wing ATC Band** - Essex

Active during WW2.

### **East Harling Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1870s, conductor Mr Tillott.

**East Hartlepool Temperance Band** - Durham

Active around 1900

**East Holywell Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1880s

**East Home League Band** - Reading, Berkshire

[no information]

**East Horndon Brass Band**

See: *Ingrave and East Horndon Brass Band*

**East Howle Brass Band**

See: *East Howle Colliery Band*

**East Howle Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**East Hull Brass Band**

See: *East Hull Prize Silver Band*

**East Hull Men's Institute Brass Band**

Active in 1933

**East Hull Prize Silver Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Originally formed as Holborn Street Brass Band, renamed East Hull Band around 1891. Active from the 1880s to 1930s. Conductor J.H Rimmer in 1903-1905. Concert for the Victoria Hospital for Sick Children (Working Men's Committee) at East Park, Hull, Sunday 20th August 1905 from 3pm to 5pm. The programme was Mephistopheles (S. Douglas), Crown of Merit (C.W. Bennet), La Traviata (W. Rimmer), Excelsior, A Casket of Gems (H. Round), The Lost Chord (Sullivan), We Never Will Bow Down (Handel), Maidstone (J. Ord Hume). The Conductor was Mr W. Milsom.

**East Ilsley Brass Band** - Berkshire

Formed in 1895. Active to the 1930s. Conductor Alfred Horsman in 1895-1904, Herbert Wells 1904-.

**East India Company Brass Band** - Warley, Essex

Active in the 1840s and 1850s.

**East Kilbride Burgh Band**

See: *East Kilbride Silver Band*

**East Kilbride Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**East Kirkby Brass Band**

See: *East Kirkby Temperance Band*

**East Kirkby Colliery Band**

See: *East Kirkby Miners Welfare Band*

**East Kirkby Miners Welfare Band** - Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Reformed in 1973 - which implies there was an earlier band. Conductor in 1976 was Roy Waters.

**East Kirkby Temperance Band** - Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**East Kirkby United Band** - Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Founded in 1897, active into the 1900s

**East Knoyle Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor Mr Snook in 1888, E. Matthews in 1891, H. Fry in 1919.



**East Lancs Paper Group Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Radcliffe Brass Band*

**East Lancs Paper Group Band**

See: *Radcliffe Borough Band*

**East Leake Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor E. Goodacre (1880-1893)

**East Leicester Brass Band**

Active in the 1880s

**East Linton Brass Band** - East Lothian

Active from the 1880s to WW1. A. P. Walker was Bass Drummer in the band (as noted in his obituary in 1935). The band folded for a while around 1902 due to lack of support in the poor economic climate in the area at the time.

**East London Brass** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1909 - Former names: Walthamstow Temperance Band, Walthamstow Borough Band (1933), L.C.S. Waltham Forest Band (1970s), Walthamstow Silver Prize Band?, Waltham Forest Co-op Band (1981-2001)

**East London Brass Band**

Active in 1860

**East London Brass Ensemble**

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

**East London Industrial School Band** - Lewisham, Kent

Active from the 1890s to the 1920s. The School opened in 1873 at 43 Leman Street, Whitechapel, but by 1909 was located at 19 Brookbank Road, Lewisham. Conductor in 1906 was T. Willmore.

**East London Polytechnic Band**

Active in 1895

**East Manchester Brass Band**

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**East Markham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**East Mendip Brass Band** - Coleford, Somerset

Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductors - Mr Button in 1881, U. Wilcox in 1887, W.F. Wilcox in 1889, W. Seymour in 1894-1904

**East Meon Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1865, conductor Mr White

**East Midlands Area 5 Ambulance Band** - Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1950s

**East Midlands Youth Band** - Leicestershire

[current band]

**East Moor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s. Conductor C. Rogers in 1858, S. Small in 1859

**East Moors Hall Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s, based at the East Moors Hall, a Methodist mission church in East Moors, Cardiff

**East Morton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded around 1884

**East Norfolk Militia Brass Band**

Active in 1861

**East Nottingham Boys Brigade Brass Band**

Active in 1946

**East Peckham Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1854, conductor W. Hayes. Also in 1867, 1902

**East Peckham British Legion Band - Kent**

[previous name of current band] See: *East Peckham Silver Band*

**East Peckham British Legion Band - Kent**

Took part in the Royal Tunbridge Wells and District Band Federation 27th Annual Band Festival (4th Section), 14th May 1955, gaining 2nd place and £5

**East Peckham British Legion Invicta Brass Band - Kent**

See: *East Peckham Invicta Brass Band*

**East Peckham Invicta Band - Kent**

[previous name of current band] See: *East Peckham Silver Band*

**East Peckham Invicta Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1912 through to 1934. A. Acott conductor in 1926 . Also known as East Peckham British Legion Invicta Brass Band in the 1930s

**East Peckham Silver Band - Kent**

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Invicta Brass Band, East Peckham Invicta, East Peckham British Legion

**East Plean Brass Band**

See: *East Plean Colliery Band*

**East Plean Colliery Band - Plean, Stirlingshire**

Founded in 1903, bandmaster Harry Phee. Still active in the 1920s and 1930s (as Plean Colliery Band)

**East Pool and Agar Mine Brass Band - Pool, Cornwall**

Active in 1917. The mine produced copper and tin

**East Pool Brass Band - Pool, Cornwall**

See: *East Pool and Agar Mine Brass Band*

**East Riding of Yorkshire Band - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1992 - Former names: East Yorkshire Brass (to 1999), Aunt Bessie's East Yorkshire Brass Band (to 2003)

**East Riding Youth Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

See: *Hessle Youth Band*

**East Staffs Youth Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1970s

**East Stanley Temperance Band - Durham**

Active in the 1890s, conductor Mr Garbutt in 1894

**East Stour Brass Band - Dorset**

Founded around 1860 and disbanded around 1900, active for 40 years. It was formed by Thomas James Maidmont, who was a fine cornet player, and who was the bandmaster all through the band's existence. In the 1870s, members of the East Stour Band played around the district and at Christmas, performed carols. They would walk to Inwood House and play to Mr. Merthyr Guest. It was the custom of the butler to enquire who they were and the reply would come, 'East Stour Band', and for this they received half a sovereign. Four days later, they would pop down to the house again and this time the

answer would be 'West Stour Band' for which they received another half sovereign. It was only a little white lie, if you remember that about a dozen members had walked ten miles to earn their coins! Also known as (East) Stower Band

**East Stower Band** - Dorset

See: *East Stour Brass Band*

**East Stratton Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1880s

**East Street Wesleyan Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

Founded in 1906, conductor A.H. Muddiman

**East Wemyss Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s. Also known as 10th Fife Artillery Volunteers East Wemyss Band.

**East Winch Britannia Brass Band** - Norfolk

Founded in 1908, bandmaster Mr Fish. Active in 1910

**East Woodhay Mechanics Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *East Woodhay Silver Band*

**East Woodhay Silver Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: East Woodhay Mechanics Band (to 1904), St. Martin's Brass Band (to end of WW2) - Note: Merged with the Highclere Band in the early 1900s

**East Worcestershire Saxtuba Band** - Netherton, Worcestershire

Active in 1857. Conductor J. Woolridge in 1860.

**East Yorkshire Brass** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *East Riding of Yorkshire Band*

**East Yorkshire Brass Band**

Active in the early 1920s

**East Yorkshire Motor Services Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1989 - Former names: City of Hull Band (to 1992), East Yorkshire Motor Services Brass Band

**East Yorkshire Motors (Sharlston) Band**

See: *Sharlston Colliery Band*

**East Yorkshire Rifles Band**

Active in the 1860s

**Eastborough Wesleyan Boys Brigade Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Eastbourne Brass Band**

See: *Eastbourne Saxhorn Band*

**Eastbourne Brass Ensemble** - Sussex

During the early 1970's, there was a split away from the previously established Eastbourne Silver Band and a rival was set up under the name of the Eastbourne Brass Ensemble. This man responsible for the formation of the band was Harry Pearce. It was a non-contesting band. They had folded by 1979.

**Eastbourne Postmen's Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s

**Eastbourne Saxhorn Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1860s, bandmaster Thomas Elliott in 1864.

**Eastbourne Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1950 - Note: Founded in 1950 by Gilbert Foyle (of Foyle's Bookshop), who paid for the first set of instruments. The band appears many times per year on Eastbourne's famous Bandstand even Christmas day (10.45 - 12.30). Their resident conductor is former Irish Guards (1958 - 1980) principal cornet Geoff Broom.

**Eastbourne Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s

**Easter Compton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s to the 1940s. Conductor J. Purnell in 1894, H. Rouse in 1900. Played at the Almondsbury Deanery Moral Welfare Association Garden Fete in Frenchay in 1929.

Also known as East Compton Brass Band

**Eastern Coach Works Band** - Lowestoft,

Active in the 1950s/60s. Now disbanded.

**Eastern Counties Railway Brass Band** - Stratford, Essex

Active in 1857, when it played at the funeral of William Spooner, 29, one of its players.

Bandmaster was Mr. Nunn. Still active in 1865

**Eastern Counties Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Stratford, Essex

Formed in 1860, of employees at the works. Presumed to be separate to the works band active in 1857.

**Eastern Suburbs Band**

See: *Adelaide Eastern Suburbs Band*

**Easterton Prize Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[no information]

**Eastham Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor J. Farrell in 1885, Frank R. Howell in 1900

**Eastington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from around 1870 through to WW1. Conductor Sydney Shill in 1903

**Eastington Teetotal Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1852

**Eastleigh Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1890s

**Eastleigh Mechanical Engineers Band**

See: *Eastleigh Works Brass Band*

**Eastleigh Railway Brass Band**

Active in 1891 - linked to the South Western Railway Institute.

**Eastleigh Temperance Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Eastleigh United Mission Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1904

**Eastleigh Works Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the 1890s to WW1.

**Eastney Modern School Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1963

**Easton Mission Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1886

- Eastwood Ambulance Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active from the 1880s to WW1. Conductor F. Purdy in 1888. From the Awsworth Parish Magazine, August 1903: "Revd Higgins talks about the Annual United Sunday School Treat. This year it was a great success, being blessed with fine weather. There was a short service in the afternoon at the Board School and Mr Bonner's field was used in the evening for games and recreation. It was enlivened by the Eastwood Ambulance Band which "discoursed sweet music" during the proceedings."
- Eastwood and Greasley Ambulance Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Eastwood Ambulance Band*
- Eastwood and Greasley Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Eastwood Ambulance Band*
- Eastwood Excelsior Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Founded in 1876, still active in 1884, moving its headquarters from Eastwood to Langley Mill.
- Eastwood Hill Top Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1867
- Eastwood Mill Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
The mill was owned by Ickringills.
- Eastwood Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Eaton (Truck Components) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Kearsley St Stephens Band*
- Eaton Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1865. Performed at a ceremony at Christleton. Associated with Eaton Hall, near Chester, founded by Mr Roberts. Still active in 1869
- Eaton Bray Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1857
- Eaton Constantine Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1861 to 1868. Conductor Mr Tart in 1864
- Eaton Farnworth and Walkden Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Farnworth & Walkden Band*
- Eaton Farnworth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1990 by the merger of Eaton (Truck Components) Band and Farnworth Old Band. Merged with Walkden Band in 2004 to form Eaton Farnworth and Walkden Band
- Eaton Ford Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - St Neots, Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Eaton Transmission Gear Group Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Kearsley St Stephens Band*
- Eaton Works Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Kearsley St Stephens Band*
- Ebbesborne Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1855 to 1869
- Ebbw Vale Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active from the 1850s to the 1880s. Conductor J. Lewis in 1888
- Ebbw Vale Municipal Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1950s and onward. Later known as Ebbw Vale Town Band. Amalgamated with Cwm Town Band in 2011 to form Ebbw Valley Brass.

### **Ebbw Vale Town Band**

See: *Ebbw Vale Municipal Band*

### **Ebbw Vale Volunteers Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Ebbw Vale Works Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1920s

### **Ebbw Valley Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 2011 - Note: Amalgamation of Ebbw Vale Town Band and Cwm Town Band

### **Ebchester Band**

Active in 1907

### **Ebenezer Brotherhood Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

### **Ebenezer Chapel Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Snibston & Desford Colliery Band*

### **Ebenezer Chapel Band**

See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

### **Ebenezer Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Strangeways, Lancashire

Active in 1892. Located at Red Bank

### **Ebley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1840s to 1919. R. White secretary in 1891. Presumed to have folded in the early 1880s and reformed just prior to 1888. It is assumed to have disbanded after WW1, not surviving much into the 1920s.

### **Ebor Brass** - York, Yorkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1980

### **Ebor Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

York, 1980s-?

### **Ebor Excelsior Silver Band** - York, Yorkshire

Formed 1883 as Chaucer Street Mission Band by Noah Bruce, later names were York and District Mission Band, York Excelsior Band. Known as York Home Guard Association Band during WW2, and Ebor Excelsior Band after WW2. Merged, in 1952, with York City Brass Band to form the current York Railway Institute Band.

### **Ecclefechan Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in 1857. In 1886 the conductor was J. Inman, and they band acquired new uniforms consisting of white trousers with a red stripe, and blue jackets trimmed with yellow braid

### **Eccles Borough Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Eccles Young Men's Brass Band, Eccles Subscription Brass Band (1888), Eccles Borough Band, Eccles Borough Boddingtons Band (1980s)

### **Eccles Borough Boddingtons Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Eccles Borough Band*

### **Eccles Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1854. Folded sometime before 1874 when a committee of working men set themselves the task of raising funds to set up a band. A band did eventually evolve in 1886 (the current Eccles Borough Band).

**Eccles Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Eccles Borough Band*

**Eccles Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1877

**Eccles Young Men's Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Eccles Borough Band*

**Eccles Young Men's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1887 and 1888, conductor J. Pennington

**Ecclesall and Dore Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1871

**Ecclesall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the mid-1860s to the early 1900s

**Ecclesall Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Ecclesall Brass Band*

**Ecclesfield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1849, playing for the Stannington Whit Monday procession. Played a selection of their favourite quadrilles and airs at the Ecclesfield United Cricket Club opening match in 1860, conductor T. Brown. Mr Jubb was the conductor in 1871, playing at the Grenoside Flower Show in August and also in 1879 at the Chapeltown Floral and Horticultural Show, and also in 1884. Also known as Ecclesfield Old Band in 1872. They folded around 1985. "July 1872 - Discord amongst Ecclesfield musicians": Thomas Jubb, file cutter, of Ecclesfield, was summoned for doing wilful damage to a drum, the property of Wm. Butterworth; moulder, of Ecclesfield, and others. John Jubb Sen., Wm. Joseph and John Jubb, George Hobson, and Samuel Bayles, all of the same place, were summoned for aiding and abetting. The defendants were also charged with committing a breach of the peace. Mr. Binney appeared in support of the information, and Mr Clegg defended. The complainant is the bandmaster of the Ecclesfield brass band, and some time ago a dispute took place between the members, which led to a certain number of them, including the defendants Jubb (father and sons), resigning and organising another band. The drum belonging to the band was in the possession of Jubb, senior, but was given up to the complainant on application. Considerable ill feeling existed between the rival bands. On Saturday, 22nd June, the complainant; with the other members of his band, were practising at the Travellers Inn, Ecclesfield common. They afterwards came outside the house, played several tunes, and then marched down the road. While near the door the defendants came up, and John Jubb was heard to ask Hobson if he would "jump on the drum." Thomas and William Jubb were observed to go along the hedge side, and when the band had gone a short distance a witness, named John Briggs, saw the defendant, Thomas Jubb, throw a stone at the drum, making a hole through one side of the parchment and cracking the other. The damage done was estimated at £2 15s. A row ensued, and several of the other defendants came up and, committed assaults upon two or three members of the band, and a most disgraceful scene followed... Twelve witnesses were examined for the complainant in support of these facts... For the defence it was contended that the drum did not belong to the complainant, as it was bought by subscription in 1858, in answer to the following appeal: "The Ecclesfield band of musicians are wishful to improve the practice of their music by giving a right effect to their musical strains, and in order to accomplish this object they are obliged to make an appeal to the gentry," etc. It was also stated that John Jubb, sen., had as much right as

any one to the “musical instrument” as he had paid over the money and obtained the receipt from the maker. Several witnesses were called who swore that they did not see Thomas Jubb throw a stone.... At half-past three Mr. Clegg said he had nine other witnesses..... The Bench said they should not sit later than four o'clock, and as Mr. Clegg was of opinion that he could not finish the defence for the second part of the case in that time, an adjournment -until next Tuesday was agreed to.... Previous to this Mr. Binney withdrew the charge of aiding and abetting..... Mr. Atkinson hoped the retaining fee of the professional gentlemen in the case had been heavy, for they had been detained a very long time..... Mr. Chambers, who had been waiting all the forenoon in another case, said the fees of the other professional gentleman would require also to be very heavy.... Two cross-summons have been taken out, and will be heard next court day. The following week it was reported: Mr. Clegg now stated that two friends had met two friends from each party, and had proposed terms of settlement, which his clients were ready to accept, but the other side were not willing. Mr. Binney said the proposals were unreasonable, and his clients could not accede to them. Mr. Atkinson suggested terms of arrangement, and ultimately the summonses were all withdrawn on the defendants paying 25s., being one half the estimated amount of the cost of repairing the drum.

**Ecclesfield New Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1867 and 1872

**Ecclesfield Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Ecclesfield Brass Band*

**Ecclesfield Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Ecclesfield Brass Band*

**Eccleshall Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1859 to 1864

**Eccleshill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1850s to the 1870s. Bandmaster was James Norton in 1869

**Eccleston Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1969

**Eccleston Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1850s through to the 1930s. Folded after the Second World War. A successor band was formed in 1970

**Eccleston Prize Band**

See: *Eccleston Brass Band*

**Eccleston Subscription Band**

See: *Eccleston Brass Band*

**Echo Ryhope Colliery Band**

See: *Ryhope Colliery Band*

**Eckington Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1865 to WW1.

**Eckington Rechabites Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1880s and 1890s

**Eckington Town Band**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Contemporary with the Eckington United and the Eckington Works bands.



**Eckington United Band**

Active in the 1890s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Still active in the 1970s

**Eckington Works Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1888, attached to the local iron works. Still active in the 1890s

**Eclipse Band - Coalville, Leicestershire**

Active in the 1890s

**Edale Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1883

**Eden Colliery Welfare Band - Leadgate, Durham**

Active in the 1950s, 1960s. This colliery was near Consett.

**Eden Lodge Brass Band - Dundee, Angus**

Active in 1865. This was the band attached to the Eden Lodge of Free Gardeners

**Edenbridge Brass Band - Kent**

Active from 1861 to the late 1900s. conductor William Wallis 1883-1895

**Edenbridge Tannery Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor H. Jeffrey in 1895, bandmaster William Smith in 1901. Still active in 1906. Contemporary with the Edenbridge Town Band

**Edenbridge Town Band - Kent**

[current band] - Founded in 1893

**Edenbridge Town Band**

See: *Edenbridge Brass Band*

**Edenham Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Edgbaston Amateur Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1893

**Edgbaston Presbyterian Juvenile Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1857

**Edgumbe Band of Hope Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in 1874

**Edge Hill (British Railways) Band - Liverpool, Lancashire**

Formed in 1879 as the Edge Hill Steam Sheds Band. Bandmaster Mr O'Callaghan in 1884, conductor W.J. Williams. Mike Hughes reports: "I conducted the band from 1970 until 1975. We gained 4th in the Championship Section in 1972 and won the area contest for WD and HO Wills in 1971. For many years the principal cornet player was Ken Tinsley who was cornet champion of Great Britain I think 3 times and solo champion once. The band quartet was champion of Great Britain in 1963 and came 2nd in 1971, 3rd 1972 and 4th 1973. Bill Yates conducted the band for many years and conducted them at the Albert Hall in 1961 and 1963 after gaining third place in the Area contest at the Free Trade Hall Manchester". Malcolm Looby reports: "I joined Edge Hill (BR) Band in 1976. The band rehearsed in one of the sheds in the sidings at Edge Hill, Liverpool on the corner of Combermere Street and Picton Road two nights a week and more (much more) often when approaching the date of a contest. It was a championship section band at the time and the band room had a few framed certificates on the wall - a big one I recall was from having played in the Championship Finals in 1966 I think, and another was a solo cornet certificate from the soloists competition at or around the same time. When I joined, the band had strong links with a couple of other 'local' bands (Camel Lairds which had

folded a few years before and Fodens) with several ex-players of these bands coming to play with Edge Hill, and probably because of these connections we also had a couple of 'guest' conductors coming to rehearse the band occasionally - James Scott and Rex Mortimer. The conductor throughout my time with Edge Hill (BR) Band was Bob Dean. He had played with both Camel Lairds and Fodens. The band played in quite a number of championship contests - best placing was 8th a couple of times in the Areas at Preston Guild Hall. We didn't play in enough though, and it has to be said that we weren't quite good enough to stay in the top section - so the inevitable happened and we were relegated to the second section probably about 1980. We did OK in the second section, winning the last ever 2nd section contest at the Kings Hall, Belle View, and the same contest a year later (or a year before!) at Bolton Town Hall before it burnt down. We qualified for the Pontins finals in North Wales I recall also. With the break up of British Rail the band lost the little sponsorship it had and had to begin paying for rehearsal rooms. We had moved out of the sidings into what was a 'mothballed' hotel attached to Lime Street Station, and when that was made into a hotel again we went to rehearse in schools, the band then withered away." Stephen Roughley reports: "I played in the band from around about 1988-1992, eventually becoming principle cornet player with the band. By this time, it was no longer a contest band, but was still conducted by Bob Dean, with Roy Eaves (I think ex-Fodens) on euphonium or trombone. Many of the players at this stage were also from the Liverpool Schools Senior Brass Band. The band was meeting for rehearsals in Rail House, an office block to the side of Lime Street Station, in Liverpool. I think the band folded a few years later, and possibly was merged into the St Margarets school band, which Bob also ran."

#### **Edge Hill London and North Western Railway Band**

See: *Edge Hill (British Railways) Band*

#### **Edge Hill Steam Sheds Band**

See: *Edge Hill (British Railways) Band*

#### **Edgeley Brass Band - Cheshire**

Formed in 1870. Conductor George Needham in 1902. Active until 1954, when it merged with the Cheshire Yeomanry (Stockport) Band to form the current Stockport Silver Band. Some memories from a player: "The band has had a varied career and many different Band rooms or practice rooms. The first one that I knew was behind the Britannia Inn a pub long since gone, it was in church gate just higher up than the old church and on the opposite side. The bandmaster in those days was Jack Hargreaves a very good musician and also well known as a baker in Portwood. He had a son Jack who was a very good cornet player, he also followed his father in the bakery business and had a stall in the market. I only knew two other players of the post 1914 war band. One named Eckersley a cornet player who ended his days in the Reddish district. The other was a man named Swain who either lived in Emperor Street or round the corner in Hersey Street, he was a bass player. When the Band left the Britannia, they went for a short time to a pub under the viaducts, the Gardeners and from there they went to another defunct pub, the Commercial. By then the band had another conductor, Harold Bennett, and to him more than to any does the present band owe its existence. At one time it was jokingly called Bennett's Band because his father played the bass drum, another brother the trombone and euphonium and another was drum major. Harold's son Jack also played cornet. Besides being conductor Harold was the general factotum, he repaired music, was librarian, errand boy. He had the Band for at least fifty years. The Cheshire Yeomanry

Band used to practise at the Pineapple in Heaton Lane, they had a hut at the side, their conductor was Mr J Seddon and he had them for many years. In fact I think he was still their Bandmaster when he died. His death brought about a crisis for the Band because whether by accident or not they had to leave their Band room. not safe was the excuse given and it put them in a fix, so they came to us (Edgeley) and proposed a merger, both Bands were in a poor state member wise and committees of both Bands decided to adopt the idea and the Stockport Silver was born. "

**Edgeley Mills Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s

**Edgware Road Ambulance Association Ladies' Band** - London

Formed in 1915, conductor John Reay

**Edgworth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1862, conductor James Briggs in 1863, George Booth in 1865. Also known as Edgworth Temperance Band. Leader J. Whitehead in 1869

**Edgworth Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Edgworth Brass Band*

**Edinburgh and Leith Postal Band** - Midlothian

Formed in 1892. Active into the 1900s. J. Sullivan bandmaster in 1896. James Ord Hume conductor in 1913. This was a brass and reed (military) band.

**Edinburgh Blind Asylum Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1862 to 1866

**Edinburgh Brass Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 2012

**Edinburgh Guild Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1859

**Edinburgh Hallelujah Silver Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1900s. Robert Stein conductor in 1904

**Edinburgh Industrial Brigade Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1897

**Edinburgh Original Industrial School Band** - Midlothian

Formed as a flute band, then became a brass band in 1872. Still active into the 1900s. Known as the "Wee Favourites"

**Edinburgh Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1861, conductor Alex Miller

**Edinburgh Temperance Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1920s. Conducted by Alex Rae in 1928

**Edinburgh Trades Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1920s and 1930s.

**Edington Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1869

**Edley Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1862, performing at Sutton Coldfield

**Edlington N.U.M. Silver Prize Band**

See: *Yorkshire Main Colliery Band*

**Edlington N.U.R. Brass Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

- Edmondsley Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1869
- Edmonton Borough Band** - Middlesex  
Founded in 1881. Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s
- Edmonton Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1862
- Edmonton Brass Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Edmonton Borough Band*
- Edmonton Excelsior Brass Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Edmonton Settlement Band*
- Edmonton People's Tabernacle Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- Edmonton Settlement Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1890s, renamed Edmonton Excelsior Band in 1901. Still active in 1910
- Edmonton Silver Prize Band**  
See: *Edmonton Borough Band*
- Edmonton Temperance Silver Band** - Middlesex  
Active from the early 1900s through to the 1920s
- Edmonton Town Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1894/1896 - G Rochester bandmaster, Golden Fleece Pub, Lower Fore Street
- Edward Lloyd (Paper Mill) Silver Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent  
[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*
- Edward Lloyd Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent  
[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*
- Edwards' Brothers Band**  
See: *Edwards' Shipyard Band*
- Edwards' Brothers Dock Workmen's Band**  
See: *Edwards' Shipyard Band*
- Edwards' Shipyard Band** - North Shields, Northumberland  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Edzell Band** - Angus  
Active in the 1890s, conductor William Lindsay
- Effingham Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1890s
- Effingham Gas Works Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s
- Effingham Street Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s, obtaining a new band-room in Sussex Street in 1910, conductor J.C. Dyson.
- Egerton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- Egerton Street Mission Band** - Sale, Cheshire  
Active in 1924. The chapel was situated on the junction of Egerton Street and Lorne Street and was consecrated in 1872. One report assumes that the band had ceased to exist prior to 1934, however there is evidence of the band active in 1950. The Chapel was demolished in 1956

**Egerton Street Wesleyan Temperance Band**

See: *Egerton Street Mission Band*

**Egglestone Brass Band - Durham**

Active from 1864 through to WW1. Alfred Allinson, secretary in 1914.

**Egham and Englefield Green Public Prize Brass Band - Surrey**

See: *Egham Temperance Band*

**Egham Band - Surrey**

[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Note: Amalgamation of Egham Town Band & Egham and Englefield Public Bands

**Egham Brass Band - Surrey**

Active in 1855. Conductor Mr Cork in 1856. A successor band was formed in 1895

**Egham Hill Band - Surrey**

See: *Egham Temperance Band*

**Egham Temperance Band - Surrey**

Formed before 1895. Also known as the Egham Hill Band. Rehearsed at the Technical Institute, Egham Hill until moving to a former furniture depository on Band Lane in 1904. Renamed the Egham and Englefield Green Public Prize Brass Band in 1906, it amalgamated with Egham Town Band in 1919 to form Egham and District Band

**Egham Town Band - Surrey**

Formed before 1895. Practised at the back of the Catherine Wheel Hotel, Egham High Street. Merged with Egham and Englefield Public Band in 1919 to form Egham and District Band

**Eglinton Iron Works Band - Kilwinning, Ayrshire**

Active in 1874. The ironworks was at Blacklands, Kilwinning, Ayrshire.

**Egremont Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in the 1840s and 1850s. A successor band (Egremont Town Band) was formed in 1904

**Egremont Town Band - Cumberland**

[current band] - Founded in 1915

**Egton Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the late 1830s to the 1850s

**Egton Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Formed around 1863, known initially as Egton New Brass Band. Still active in 1868

**Egton Bridge Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

See: *Egton Brass Band*

**Ehenside Secondary School Band - Cleator, Cumberland**

Active in the late 1960s.

**Elan Village Brass Band - near Rhayader,**

Active in the 1890s

**Elderslie Brass Band - Renfrewshire**

Active in the 1860s, also in the 1900s

**Eldon Colliery Band - Shildon, Durham**

Active from the 1870s through to WW2. Conducted by T. Collinson in the 1930s.

**Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band - Preston, Lancashire**

Formed before 1900, later known as Dick Kerr English Electrical Works Band in the 1920s and then later still, Blackburn's Steel Work's Band in the 1930s. Probably folded before or during WW2. Secretary J.W. Laycock in 1901. Some press cuttings about the band:

Preston Guardian - 13th April 1901. "There was a Gala at Penwortham on Easter Monday. The Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band arranged the gathering. The band, some 27 strong, arranged in brand-new uniforms discoursed selections and dance music with considerable skill". Preston Herald - 3rd September 1902, "Preston Guild Processions. In the Trades Procession there were: - Electric Railway and Tramway Carriage Works Band. The Catholic Guild procession contained: Electric Car Works Band (Preston). The Church of England Schools had: Electric Car Works (Preston) Brass Band." Lancashire Daily Post - 31st December 1917 "1,500 children were entertained at the Public Hall on Saturday 29th to coffee, buns and fruit tart. 3,000 nearly swamped the Dick Kerr Band and watched pictures provided by Frank Foster of the Marathon. The event was organised by the Preston Borough Police for the poor children's fund." Lancashire Daily Post - 5th May 1919. "Dick Kerr's Band. Yesterday DKB gave two performances at PNE ground. Bad weather kept the crowds away but the poor crowd enjoyed playing that has rarely, if ever, been excelled by a local band. Further concert on Whit Sunday." Lancashire Daily Post - 3rd July 1926: "Sat 17th at Rob Green Farm, Fishwick, Preston Conservative Gala (Preston parks are not available for political events.) programme included The Dick, Kerr Prize Band playing for dancing." Preston Guardian - 1st December 1934. "Preston Band's Quartet Success. A Quartet from Blackburn Steel Works Band (Ex Dick Kerr's) won the Rushworth and Draper's Shield at Liverpool on Saturday. T. Berry, Solo Cornet, A. Whitehead, Second Cornet, L. Beck, Solo Horn and J. Dixon, Euphonium".

#### **Electrical Carriage Works Band**

See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*

#### **Electrical Railway and Tramway Carriage Works Brass Band**

See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*

#### **Electricity Club Band** - Portishead, Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Portishead Town Band*

#### **Elemore Colliery and Easington Lane Band**

See: *Elemore Colliery Band*

#### **Elemore Colliery Band** - Easington Lane, Durham

Formed in the 1900s, revived in 1906 under conductor Mr Lonby, with new instruments, folding in 1908. Its instruments were bought by the South Hetton Band

#### **Elgin Brass Band** - Dunfermline, Fife

See: *Elgin Masonic Band*

#### **Elgin Brass Band** - Morayshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Elgin City Band*

#### **Elgin City Band** - Morayshire

[current band] - Founded in 1858 - Former names: Elgin Instrumental Brass Band. Note: Formed by the local authority of the day and continued under the auspices of subsequent authorities until local government re-organisation when it became fully autonomous and has remained so ever since. Records suggest however that the band originated in the 1850s, and was founded by incoming woolen mill workers from the borders. In those days people turned out in large numbers to hear the band and the members had to sing as well as play! Re-organised in 1867 under conductor Mr Johnston

#### **Elgin Conservative Brass Band** - Morayshire

Active in the late 1840s, had folded by the early 1850s. A successor band was formed in 1858 (Elgin City Band)

**Elgin Instrumental Brass Band** - Morayshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Elgin City Band*

**Elgin Masonic Band** - Dunfermline, Fife  
 Active from the 1860s to the 1880s. Also known as Elgin Brass Band

**Elgin Miners' Brass Band** - Dunfermline, Fife  
 Active in 1866

**Elgin Volunteers Band** - Morayshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Elham and Lyminge Brass Band** - Kent  
 Active in the 1860s

**Eling Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1865

**Eling Reformatory School Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1886

**Elland Boys Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Elland C.E.F.A Youth Band*

**Elland Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Elland Silver Band*

**Elland C.E.F.A Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1950s/60s. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by W. H. Exley

**Elland Edge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Elland Upper Edge Band*

**Elland Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Elland Silver Band*

**Elland Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Elland Old Band (to 1880s), Elland Victoria Band, Elland Silver Band (1902), Greater Elland Silver Band (1946-1950)

**Elland United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1870s

**Elland Upper Edge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active from the 1860s to the 1890s

**Elland Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Elland Silver Band*

**Ellenbrook and Boothstown Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1875

**Ellerker Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in 1856

**Ellesborough Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1896

**Ellesmere Port and District Band** - Cheshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Ellesmere Port Concert Brass*

**Ellesmere Port Boys Grammar School Brass Band**  
 Active in the 1970s

**Ellesmere Port British Legion Band** - Cheshire  
 See: *Ellesmere Port Church Silver Band*

**Ellesmere Port Christ Church School Brass Band**  
 Active in 1888 through to 1901

**Ellesmere Port Church Silver Band** - Cheshire

Formed as a breakaway band from the Ellesmere Port Public Band in the 1890s. Competed in the Crystal Palace contest in 1923 in the 3rd Section. Renamed the Ellesmere Port British Legion Band in the 1930s. Amalgamated with Ellesmere Public Band in 1946 to form Ellesmere Port and District Band (the current Ellesmere Port Band)

**Ellesmere Port Concert Brass** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Ellesmere Port and District Band (1946), Ellesmere Port Silver Band (to 2012) - Note: Other related bands: Ellesmere Public Prize Band (Chapel Band), Ellesmere Church Band amalgamated in 1946 to form Ellesmere Port and District Band

**Ellesmere Port Public Band** - Cheshire

Formed in 1883. In 1902 W. Johnson was the secretary. Competed in the Crystal Palace contests in 1922 and 1923 in the 3rd Section. Also known as the Chapel Band. It amalgamated with Ellesmere Church Band in 1946 to form Ellesmere Port and District Band (the current Ellesmere Port Band)

**Ellesmere Port Silver Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ellesmere Port Concert Brass*

**Ellesmere Port Volunteer Band**

Active in 1897

**Ellesmere Port Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Cheshire

[no information]

**Ellesmere Public Band**

See: *Ellesmere Port Public Band*

**Ellesmere Road Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874. Probably replaced later by the Ellesmere Road Wesleyan Temperance Band

**Ellesmere Road Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1899, still active in 1907. Conductor J.C. Horsfield in 1903

**Ellington Colliery Band** - Lynemouth,

Active in 1914, but probably folded during the Great War. A successor band was formed in Lynemouth in 1925.

**Ellington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Northumbrian Water Ellington Colliery Band*

**Ellington Silver Band** - Ramsgate, Kent

[no information]

**Elliot Concert Brass** - Rochester, Kent

Founded in 1971 as the Elliott Musicians Society. This was a particularly thriving section of the Elliott Sports and Social Club, which combined the social activities of GEC Elliott-Automation and Marconi-Elliott Avionic Systems at the Airport Works in Rochester, Kent. Amalgamated with Trinity Brass from Maidstone in 1985 to form the current BAE Systems Brass Band (then GEC Avionics Brass Band)

**Elliot Concert Brass** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *BAE Systems Brass Band*

**Elliott's Metal Co. (I.C.I.) Band**

See: *Burry Port Town Band*

**Elliott's Smelting Works Band**

See: *Burry Port Town Band*



**Ellistown and Hugglescote Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Ellmore's Can and Basket Works Brass Band**

See: *Syston Silver Band*

**Ellon Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Conductor Mr Whitely in 1899, Mr Littlejohn in 1903, M. Neilson in 1905-1914

**Ellon Volunteers Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1901

**Ellwood's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1850

**Elmfield Brass (Stockport)** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Elmsett Fellowship Brass Band** - Suffolk

[current band]

**Elmstead Market Band** - Essex

Active in 1910

**Elmstead Market Wesleyan Methodist Band** - Essex

[no information]

**Elmwood Mills Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Elsecar Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856 to 1867

**Elsecar Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950s to the 1970s. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1962.

**Elsecar Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Elsecar Subscription Band*

**Elsecar Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1875, conductor H.B. Naylor, and also in 1894, when it presented a silver hunting horn to Viscount Milton on the occasion of his coming of age. Conductor Eli Shaw in 1890. Still active in the 1930s. Presumed to have been replaced by the Elsecar Main Colliery Band after WW2.

**Elstead Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Elswick Hopper Brass Band** - Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire

Active in 1893 and the early 1900s. Richard Weston, a member of Kettering Rifles Band, moved to Barton and joined the Elswick Hopper Brass Band playing Tuba. He worked for Elswick Hopper cycle manufacturer at Barton-on-Humber as a labourer in tube and sheet-metal working and brazing. In 1880 Fred Hopper had established a cycle repair business in a former blacksmith's shop in Brigg Road, Barton-upon-Humber. He went on from repairing cycles to manufacturing them. The business flourished and by 1905 it employed over 400 people. As the business grew it moved to larger premises on Marsh Lane. F. Hopper and Co. also had a large three storied building built on the corner of Holydyke and Brigg Road for offices. The wrapping and packing was done on Brigg Road ready for export. Early pictures of the office had the words "The Butterfly Cycle Company" emblazoned on the wall. The company had started exporting to places such as Australia, Japan, India and South Africa by 1912. Around 1913 the company acquired

the Elswick Cycle company and the company became Elswick Hopper Cycle and Motor Company. In 1936 Elswick Hopper was quoted on the London Stock Exchange.

**Elswick Works Band (1)**

See: *Elswick Hopper Brass Band*

**Elswick Works Band (2) - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland**

Active in 1891

**Eltham and Woolwich Band**

See: *Eltham Town Band*

**Eltham Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1868, bandmaster Mr Wimperis

**Eltham Town Band - Kent**

Active in the 1900s. Also known as Eltham and Woolwich Band

**Eltham United Band - Kent**

Active in the 1920s

**Elton Brass Band - Huntingdonshire**

Active in the 1860s to 1867

**Elton Catholic Band - Lancashire**

Founded around 1906, conductor G. Elford

**Elvaston Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Founded in 1869, conductor Mr Gaunt

**Elworth Silver Band - Cheshire**

Edwin Foden was one of the founders of this band in the late 1890s, but the band was dissolved in 1902 after it demanded a fee of £4 for taking part in the local celebrations for the Coronation of King Edward VII. Following this, Edwin Foden reconstituted a band in its place, with new instruments, taking the name of his motor works - Fodens. The rest is history....

**Elwyn Hendy Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Ely Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active in the 1860s

**Ely City Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1920s. Bandmaster J.J. Smith in 1920

**Ely Police Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active in 1907

**Ely Railway Silver Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active in the 1920s

**Ely Town Band**

See: *Ely City Band*

**Embsay Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1866 to 1868

**Emley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Emley Public Silver Prize Band

**Emley Brass Band**

See: *Emley Public Brass Band*

**Emley Public Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1870 as a mixed woodwind and brass ensemble. It was sponsored by the mine in Emley for a time but lost that affiliation when the pit closed. Folded and re-organised

around 1904. Around 1965 it amalgamated with Clayton West Brass Band to form Clayton West and Emley Band (forerunner of the current Emley Brass Band).

**Emley Public Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Emley Brass Band*

**Emlyn Colliery Brass Band**

See: *Penygroes Silver Band*

**Emma Colliery Band** - Ryton, Durham

Formed in the 1890s and was active through to 1938.

**Emmanuel Church Band** - Camberwell, Surrey

Founded around 1907, conductor J. Head

**Empingham Mission Band** - Rutland

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Note: Formed at the Methodist Chapel, Empingham, Rutland

**Empress Ladies Brass Band** - London

Active in 1897

**Empress Training Ship Band** - Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire

See: *Training Ship Empress Brass Band*

**Emsworth Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1910.

**Emsworth Town Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the early 1900s to WW1. Conductor A. Sherman in 1906, W. Brighty in 1914

**Enderby Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Enderby Silver Prize Band (1935)

**Enderby Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1866, 1867

**Enderby Silver Prize Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Enderby Band*

**Enderby Temperance Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1880s to around 1893 and beyond. Some members of the band joined the new rival Enderby Band in 1895.

**Endon Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from 1860 through to the 1880s

**Enfield Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Enfield Catholic Brass Band*

**Enfield Brass Band** - Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 1949 - Former names: Enfield Brass Band, Enfield Co-op Band (1977-2000), Enfield Whitwebbs Museum Brass (2000 to 2006) - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Enfield Town Silver Prize Band and North Middlesex Silver Band.

**Enfield Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1861, later known as Enfield Town Band. Active through to WW2 in that form. Merged with the North Middlesex Silver Band in 1949, retaining the North Middlesex name until 1966, when it reverted to Enfield Brass Band - still active in 1978.

**Enfield Catholic Brass Band** - Clayton-le-Moors, Lancashire

Active from the early 1850s to the 1870s. Also known as Enfield Brass Band, St Mary's Brass Band

**Enfield Central Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1930s to the mid 1950s

- Enfield Co-op Band** - Middlesex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Enfield Brass Band*
- Enfield Coronation Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s
- Enfield Foresters Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s
- Enfield Highway Band** - Middlesex  
See: *New North Middlesex Brass Band*
- Enfield Motor Museum and Potters Bar Contest Band** - Middlesex  
[current band] - Founded in 2005 - Former names: Potters Bar Town Band + Enfield  
Whitewebbs Museum Brass (for contesting purposes only)
- Enfield Old Original Brass Band** - Clayton-le-Moors, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Enfield Poor Law School Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Chase Farm School Brass Band*
- Enfield Primitive Methodist Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Enfield Temperance Mission Band*
- Enfield Small Arms Institute Band** - Middlesex  
See: *North Middlesex Silver Band*
- Enfield Temperance Mission Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the early 1900s. Formed as Enfield Primitive Methodist Band, became Enfield  
Temperance Band in 1904
- Enfield Town Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Enfield Central Band*
- Enfield Town Forresters Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the early 1900s
- Enfield Volunteer Rifles Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1865
- Enfield Whitewebbs Museum Brass** - Middlesex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Enfield Brass Band*
- English Congregational Church Brass Band** - Caerphilly, Glamorgan  
Active in 1908
- Enniscaven Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Next door to St Dennis, they were formed sometime before 1933 and continued up to,  
and after World War 2. They did no contesting. Their only conductor appears to have  
been a James Best, an ex baritone/trombone player from the St Dennis Band.
- Epping and District Silver Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Epping Forest Band*
- Epping Forest and Loughton Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s
- Epping Forest Band** - Essex  
[current band] - Founded in 1935 - Former names: Epping Silver Band, Epping & District  
Silver Band (to 1970s)
- Epping Forest Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1880s
- Epping Forest Military Band** - Essex  
Active in 1892.

**Epping Harmonic Society Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Croft

**Epping Silver Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Epping Forest Band*

**Epping Town Band** - Essex

Founded in 1894 by R.E. Rutland, an engine driver for the Great Eastern Railway. Many original bandsmen were railway workers based at Stratford and the first bandmaster was Tom Smith, another railway worker, whose two sons both played in the band. The first secretary and treasurer was Charlie Hills whose son Sydney still lives in Epping and is a well known local historian. The bandsmen each paid an entry fee of one shilling and subscriptions of threepence a week towards purchase of music. Monies earned by the band were either divided among the bandsmen or put towards uniform purchase. Engagements were many and varied at this time and included playing at the local cycling and athletic club sports meetings, football matches and on the stage of the old town hall when it was used for roller skating. One of the most memorable engagements was an ice carnival on the lake at Coopersale House in February 1895 when the lake was illuminated by small fairy lamps and Chinese lanterns. Hundreds of skaters were entertained by the lady of the House, Miss Archer-Houblon and the carnival was enlivened by the band's music and a firework display. Other celebrations included frequent concerts in the market place and the two days of celebrations for Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee in June 1897. The Epping Band folded in the the early 1920s. A successor band (Epping Silver Band) was formed in 1935.

**Epsom and Ewell Silver Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1910 - Former names: Banstead Silver Band, Banstead & District Band (1950), North Downs Silver Band (1950s-1965)

**Epsom Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s through to at least 1918. Conductor F. Hall in the 1890s.

**Epsom British Legion Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Epsom Town Band**

See: *Epsom Brass Band*

**Epworth Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1873, still active in the early 1900s

**Epworth Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the early 1840s - presumed to have folded prior to 1873.

**Epworth Wesley Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1885

**Erchfont Brass Band**

See: *Urchfont Prize Brass Band*

**Ercol Furniture Company Band** - High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire

Active in 1914 and 1921 and the 1940s through to 2007.

**Erdington Boys School Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1970s

**Erdington Brass Band**

See: *Erdington Children's Home Band*

**Erdington Children's Home Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s. The Erdington Cottage Homes were opened in 1900 by the Aston Union.

**Erimus South Bank Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Founded in 1909

**Erimus Works Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Formed in 1898 and still active in 1913. Based at the steel works in the town.

**Erith British Legion Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1920s through to 1953, when it merged with Dartford Borough British Legion Band to form Dartford and Erith Silver Band.

**Erith Town Band**  
See: *Erith British Legion Band*

**Errington's Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1867, conducted by T. Ticehurst

**Escafeld Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in the 1980s

**Escomb Brass Band**  
Active in the 1920s

**Esh Colliery Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bearpark & Esh Colliery Band*

**Esh Winning Colliery Welfare Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bearpark & Esh Colliery Band*

**Esher Royal Brass Band**  
Active in 1887

**Eskbank Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Duncan Marshall in 1901

**Essex and Suffolk Brotherhood Brass Band**  
Active in 1950

**Essex Brass Band** - Essex  
[current band]

**Essex Club Band** - Walthamstow, Essex  
Active in the 1890s

**Essex County Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Brentwood, Essex  
Active in 1862, 1863

**Essex Hall Asylum Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex  
Active in 1855

**Essex Industrial School Band**  
See: *Chelmsford Industrial School Brass Band*

**Essex Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Brentwood, Essex  
See: *Essex County Lunatic Asylum Brass Band*

**Essex Street Baptist Brass Band** - Levenshulme, Lancashire  
Active in 1937

**Essington Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

**Eston Junction Railway Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1862

- Eston Miners' Old Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Took part in the ceremony to lay the foundation stones of the Normanby Methodist Church on Saturday June 30th, 1900. Secretary Charles Shaw in 1888. Conductor C.H. Kay in the 1890s
- Eston Mines Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1864
- Eston Steel Works Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1893
- Etchingham and Hurst Green Brass Band**  
See: *Hurst Green and Etchingham Brass Band*
- Etchingham and Robertsbridge Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Etchingham Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active 1880s to WW1.
- Etherley Brass Band** - High Etherley, Durham  
Active in 1869
- Etherley Silver Band** - High Etherley, Durham  
Active from the 1890s to WW1
- Etruria Artillery Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s to the 1880s. Also known as the 1st Staffordshire Artillery Brass Band
- Etton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active from the 1840s to the 1870s
- Etwall Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1852 to 1887. The band rehearsed in Ted Fowkes's father's workshop off Main Street (somewhere in the vicinity of the paper shop) and the drum was kept there among the coffins! The band performed all round the area from the mid 19th century onwards but it seems to have petered out in the 1920s or 30s.
- Etwall Excelsior Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Etwall Brass Band*
- Euxton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Euxton Town Band*
- Euxton Hall Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1856 (24 players). Still active in 1868
- Euxton Town Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the 1840s to the 1870s. Conductor Herr Pressler in 1869
- Evelyn Hall Mission Band** - Deptford, Kent  
Founded in 1899, still active in 1910. Based at the City Mission Evelyn Hall, William Street (later Staunton Street)
- Evenwood Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Evenwood Colliery Band** - Durham  
Formed after WW1. Active until 1937. Merged with the Hunwick Colliery Band at some point.
- Evenwood Model Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1870s
- Ever Ready Band** - Stanley, Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Reg Vardy Band*

**Everards Brewery Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
 See: *City of Leicester Band*

**Everdon Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active in the 1890s through to 1939. Conductor F. Cole in 1899, R. Bazley (Baseley) in 1934

**Eversden Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 2006

**Eversholt Brass Band**  
 Active in 1874 and early 1900s

**Evershot Brass Band** - Dorset  
 Active in 1878

**Everton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
 Active from the 1880s. Conductor William Giles in 1905, T. Hunt in 1915.

**Everton Subscription Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Every Ready GB Band** - Stanley, Durham  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Reg Vardy Band*

**Evesham Amateur Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 See: *Evesham Brass Band*

**Evesham Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active from the 1840s to the early 1950s. Became Evesham Town Band around 1880. The current Evesham Band originated in Evesham Methodist Youth Band founded in 1948

**Evesham Methodist Youth Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Avonbank Brass Band*

**Evesham Town Band** - Worcestershire  
 See: *Evesham Brass Band*

**Evesham Wesleyan Mission Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1906

**Ewell and District Boys Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active in the 1920s

**Ewell Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active in 1899, conductor Mr. Hall

**Ewhurst Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active from the 1880s to the 1920s

**Exbourne Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1856 to 1863

**Excelsior Friends Adult School Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex  
 Active in 1892-1894, secretary Ebenezer Clark.

**Excelsior Juvenile Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
 Active in 1876

**Excelsior Ropes Works Band** - Glamorgan  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Exchange Communications Whitburn Band** - West Lothian  
 [current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Whitburn Town Band (to 1940s), Whitburn Miners Welfare Band (to 1963), Whitburn Burgh Band, Murray International Whitburn Band, Whitburn Band



**Exeter and District Southern Railways Band** - Devon  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Exeter Railway Band*

**Exeter Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in the 1880s, conductor George Russell

**Exeter British Rail Band** - Devon  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Exeter Railway Band*

**Exeter British Railways (Southern Region) Band** - Devon  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Exeter Railway Band*

**Exeter P.S.A. Silver Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1907

**Exeter Post Office Band** - Devon  
 Founded in Autumn 1887, bandmaster Mr Palmer, as a military band - still active in 1902

**Exeter Public Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1902

**Exeter Temperance Band (1)** - Devon  
 Founded in 1847

**Exeter Temperance Band (2)** - Devon  
 Active in the 1900s. Conductor W. J. Hutchings in 1906

**Exeter Working Men's Brass Band** - Devon  
 Formed in 1890, conductor George Russell.

**Exhall Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
 Active from 1861

**Exmouth Artillery Corps Brass Band** - Devon  
 Founded in 1860

**Exmouth Brass Band** - Devon  
 See: *Exmouth Artillery Corps Brass Band*

**Exmouth P.S.A. Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in the 1900s and 1910s, conductor B. Smalldon.

**Exmouth Subscription Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1881

**Exmouth Town Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1887

**Exmouth Training Ship Band** - Grays, Essex  
 See: *Training Ship Exmouth Brass Band*

**Exton Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1866

**Eyam Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor Percy Willis in 1903

**Eye and Hartismere Yeomanry Band** - Suffolk  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s - it may have morphed into a town band at a later date.

**Eye Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active in 1860

**Eye Brass Band** - Suffolk  
 Active in the 1860s, also in the 1880s/1890s

**Eye Volunteers Band** - Suffolk  
 See: *Eye and Hartismere Yeomanry Band*

**Eynesbury and St Neots Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active from 1862 to the 1930s. It was re-organised or revived in 1905. Conductor Mr Ferris in 1892

**Eynesbury Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

See: *Eynesbury and St Neots Brass Band*

**Eynsford Brass Band** - Kent

Active from the 1890s to the early 1920s - it had disbanded prior to 1929. Drum of the band still exists and is held by the Farningham and Eynsford Local History Society

**Eynsham Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from 1851 to the 1890s. Secretary W. Sawyer in 1869

**Eynsham Hall Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1887

**Eythorne Brass Band** - Kent

Active around 1895, and died down to just one or two players by the 1950's, was revived in the 1960's and stayed at full strength until the late 1980's when it reduced in number to just 2 or 3 players. With the return to the village in 1999 of a couple of old members from the 1970's, the band was revived again in 2002 as ex band members reformed and taught their own children to play.

**Eythorne Silver Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 2002

**F. A. Norris Works Brass Band** - Wales

Active in 1972, competing the Welsh Area contest.

**Failsworth Brass Band**

See: *Failsworth St John's Brass Band*

**Failsworth St John's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1860s to the early 1900s

**Failsworth Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Fair View Brass Band** - Vange, Essex

Formed in 1904, still active in 1911. Conductor Mr Guttridge in 1906

**Fair View Brass Band** - Vange, Essex

Formed in 1905, conductor T. Stacey

**Fairbairn's Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*

**Fairbairn's Wellington Sax-horn Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*

**Fairey Aviation Works Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Fairey FP (Music) Band*

**Fairey Engineering Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Fairey FP (Music) Band*

**Fairey FP (Music) Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1937 - Former names: Fairey Aviation Works Band, Fairey Engineering Band, Williams Fairey Engineering Band, Williams Fairey Band

**Fairfield (Buxton) Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1865

**Fairfield Band** - Govan, Lanarkshire

Instituted 1877. Conductor in 1888 was E. Baistow

**Fairfield Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Fairfield Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1860s

**Fairford Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed around 1903 by George Churchman, instruments provided by A.J. Palmer (of the Reading biscuit firm). Folded in January 2009 - some of the band's instruments, including the original bass drum from 1903, and some of their trophies, were handed over to the Fairford Historical Society.

**Fairlop Brass Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1968

**Fairwarp Brass Band**

See: *Fairwarp Silver Band*

**Fairwarp Silver Band** - Sussex

The band had its beginnings in the Ashdown Forest Temperance Band, founded by Frank T Ridley, who started a garage business in Nutley. It was based in the specially built bandroom in Old Forge Lane, Horney Common. The band was supported by Count Munster, owner of Maresfield Park estate from 1898 to 1914. The band split in 1911 when the Nutley members started their own band. After the War the band was started up again by mainly Fairwarp members, backed by Ventura P Misa, the then owner of Oldlands estate, and by the subsequent owner, Sir Bernard Eckstein. Eckstein established a trust, which enabled the band to purchase new uniforms and silver instruments. Previously called the Fairwarp Brass Band, the band seems to have been commonly known as Fairwarp Silver Band from this time. Many of the players were employed on the Oldlands estate. Records of the band, from 1905-1982, are held at the East Sussex Record Office

**Fakenham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1850s. A successor band was formed in 1881

**Fakenham Town Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1881

**Faldingworth Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the early 1900s to 1915. Conductor Tony Brown in 1908

**Faltingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Foltingham Brass Band*

**Falkirk Aluminium Works Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Falkirk and District Trades Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Falkirk Trades Band*

**Falkirk Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1852

**Falkirk Burgh Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Falkirk Camelton Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Camelton Brass Band*

**Falkirk Foundry Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Falkirk Iron Works Band*

**Falkirk Instrumental Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1869

**Falkirk Iron Works Band** - Stirlingshire

Founded in 1856. Active through to the 1880s. Conductor James Walker in 1879

**Falkirk Public Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1933

**Falkirk R.C. Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor William Laurie in 1908

**Falkirk Trades Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the early 1900s. In a photograph of 1908 the title is "International Champions". This was quite a feat for the band as it was probably only in the second section at the time. One of several brass bands in the area, Falkirk Trades first appears in the Scottish Amateur Brass Band Association records in 1905 when it took second place in the third section contest. They filled the same spot in 1906 and three years later took fourth spot in the second section; were third in 1913; and won it in 1919. That was the last listing. On June 8, 1910 a meeting of the sub-committee appointed by the Town Council to confer with three members each of the Falkirk Burgh Military Band and the Falkirk Trades Band on the question of amalgamation was held on Tuesday evening in the Burgh Buildings. Councillor Muirhead (convener) presided, and the other members of the sub-committee, Treasurer Wallace and Councillor Sinclair, were also present. After a lengthy discussion, which mainly went to show that an amalgamation of the two bands was unpracticable and unnecessary, the meeting closed without coming to any finding on this subject.

**Falkirk United Trades Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Falkirk Trades Band*

**Fallis' Brass Band** - Idle, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1872

**Falmouth Foundry Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1885

**Falmouth Oddfellows Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1862 to 1866

**Falmouth Saxtuba Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1855 - formed of young mechanics of the town.

**Falmouth Town Band (1)** - Cornwall

Active in 1912 - headquarters at Rystie and Barber, 3 Waterloo Place. Reformed after WW1 in 1919. Conductor T.G. Moore in the 1930s. Alan Joll, around 1938, was tenor horn player in the band, aged 11, his father, Melville Joll was a trombone player in the band. West of England Champions in 1938.

**Falmouth Town Band (2)** - Cornwall

Formed in the 1950's, the band progressed to Championship Standard performing alongside Black Dyke Mills Band at the Royal Albert Hall in 1955. Folded in the 1960s. A successor band (Pendennis Brass) was formed in 1980

**Falsgrave Brass Band**

See: *Falsgrave Temperance Band*

**Falsgrave Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1880s. Rename Scarborough Borough Band in 1898. Active through to the late 1920s

**Far Forest Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1896

**Far Newland Brass Band**

See: *Lincoln Far Newland Brass Band*

**Farcet Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Amalgamated with Farcet Temperance Band in 1906 to form Farcet United Band

**Farcet Temperance Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1900s. Amalgamated with Farcet Brass Band in 1906 to form Farcet United Band

**Farcet United Band** - Huntingdonshire

Formed in 1906 by the merger of Farcet Brass Band and Farcet Temperance Band

**Fareham Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1845

**Fareham Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1919

**Fareham Excelsior Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1878.

**Fareham Foresters' Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1868 to 1871

**Faringdon Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1855. Active in the 1890s, when it played at Longworth festivities

**Farington Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851 to 1863

**Farington Mill Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s

**Farington Subscription Band**

See: *Farington Mill Brass Band*

**Farm Street Temperance Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active around 1907

**Farnah Green Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1858

**Farnborough Industrial School Band** - Hampshire

Active around 1900 at the National Children's Home in Farnborough

**Farnborough Youth Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1980s

**Farndale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1859 when it took part in the Lofthouse Grand Village Band Contest in November that year. It was conducted by John Potter, had 11 performers, and played *Lucrezia Borgia* by Donizetti and the test piece, *Grand Parade March* by Jones. Conductor Mr Aconley in 1867. Still active in the 1930s. Competed at the Douthwaite Dale contest in 1935

**Farndale Silver Band**

See: *Farndale Brass Band*

**Farndon and District Brass Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1897 - Former names: Jubilee (Victoria) Brass Band, Farndon and Holt Brass Band, Holt and Farndon Brass Band

**Farndon and Holt Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Farndon & District Brass Band*

**Farnham Brass Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Farnham Brass Band, ` (1978-1982)

**Farnham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1861 - probably did not last much beyond then, as there were discussions in the town in 1864 to form a brass band associated with the working men's institute as there was no longer a similar band in the town.

**Farnham Crosby Concert Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Farnham Brass Band*

**Farnham Excelsior Band** - Surrey

Active in 1892

**Farningham Brass Band** - Kent

[no information]

**Farningham Home for Little Boys Brass Band** - Kent

Active from 1869 to the 1900s. Band run at an orphanage at Horton Kirkby, near Farningham. Travelled across Britain raising funds for the Home and making wider known the plight of similar homes across the country. Conductor H.V. Sparrow in 1906.

**Farnley Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Farnley Ironworks Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the early 1900s. Conductor W. Jasper in 1865. At Winterton Agricultural show in 1903, Farnley Iron Works Band provided the programme of music. Farnley Iron Works was founded in 1846. Farnley Iron Works produced more bricks than iron and eventually became part of the Leeds Fireclay Co (1889). It produced both household and firebricks.

**Farnley Old Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Farnley Temperance Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860 to 1893

**Farnsfield Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Founded in 1857. Still active in 1869

**Farnworth Amateur Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1883 when they competed in the 1883 Belle Vue contest, coming third.

**Farnworth and Kearsley Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

[no information]

**Farnworth and Walkden Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2004 - Former names: Eaton Farnworth & Walkden Band - Note: Formed by the merger of Eaton Farnworth Brass Band and Walkden Band in 2004

**Farnworth New Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to the 1920s

**Farnworth Old (Barnes') Band**

See: *Farnworth Old Band*

**Farnworth Old Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1848 by Thomas Barnes, a mill owner, originally known as Band of the Farnworth Cotton Mills, later as Barnes' Band, Tapps Rifles' Band (c.1860), Farnworth Old (Barnes') Band, Farnworth Old Band, West Lancs Home Guard Band (during WW2),

and Farnworth Old Band (to 1990) when it merged with Eaton (Truck Components) Band to form Eaton Farnworth Brass Band. For a full history of the band, see: Walker, Matthew - The History of Farnworth and Walkden Brass Band - 2004

**Farnworth Public Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1884 and 1909

**Farnworth Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1894 when, under the Conductorship of Mr J Crossley, on September 1st, they "discoursed the following programme before a highly appreciative assemblage of the Public: March - The Battle and the Breeze (Wadson); Lancers - Merry and Wise (Harris); Fantasia - Pride of Ireland (Round); Valse - Valley of Ferns (Round); Anthem - Jerusalem my glorious Home (Mason)."

**Farr's of Luton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Sundon Park Brass Band*

**Farsley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1880s to WW1. Seth Grimshaw conductor in 1888

**Farsley Old Band**

See: *Farsley Brass Band*

**Fartown Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1894

**Fartown Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1876

**Fatfield Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s

**Father Berry's Homes Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

The band was active in the late 1890s. Father Berry's Home for Catholic Boys was opened in Liverpool in 1892, other homes also existed. From the early 1900s children were being emigrated to Canada from Father Berry's Homes, and two homes were set up in Canada for this purpose.

**Fauldhouse Brass Band** - West Lothian

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Fauldhouse Miner's Brass Band** - West Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 1975

**Faversham Brass Band** - Kent

Founded in January 1860, conductor A. Bourne. Active in the 1860s

**Faversham Mission Brass** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1882 - Former names: Faversham Gospel Brass Band

**Faversham Town Band** - Kent

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, also the 1930s

**Fawcett Liberal and Radical Club Band** - Notting Hill, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Fawley Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1869

**Fawr Silver Band**

Founded in the 1870s. Its first bandmaster was Evan Davies, who had had previous experience with bands in South Wales. Evan Davies suffered from pains in his thigh, and he walked with a limp. When teaching the band to march he used to hobble along the schoolroom floor with one hand cupped round his lips, singing 'Tara-ra-ra' like a cornet.

When the pain occurred he would stop suddenly and cry out, "O, my thigh!!" and so it went on: 'Ta-ra-ra-ra - O, MY THIGH!'. The Waun Fawr band was one of the ten that competed at Pwllthen in 1898 when a near riot broke out. Each band was to start from the Crown Hotel and march to the White Hall where they were to form a circle and play the march right through again so thin the adjudicator, who was seated by an open window above them, could hear. Probably through faulty timing, the second band arrived at the White Hall before the first had finished. Other bands followed closely, and soon there were five bands blowing furiously and creating a deafening noise as they tried to drown each other. A free fight followed and the instruments became weapons. Nobody won the competition as it was declared void.

**Fazeley Band of Hope Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1886, conductor Mr Titterton

**Featherstone and Coanwood Brass Band** - Northumberland

Founded in early 1863, conductor Mr Peart

**Featherstone Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Featherstone County Boy's School Brass Band*

**Featherstone Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the early 1900s. Secretary Walter Battye in 1899

**Featherstone County Boy's School Brass Band** - Southall, Middlesex

Active from the 1960s to the 1980s

**Featherstone Main Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Featherstone Silver Band*

**Featherstone Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Featherstone Brass Band*

**Featherstone Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s/40s

**Featherstone Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Featherstone Silver Band*

**Featherstone Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Featherstone County Boy's School Brass Band*

**Fechney Industrial School Brass Band** - Perth, Perthshire

Active in 1874 through 1917. The school was founded in 1864, in Wells Hill.

**Fechney Institution Brass Band**

See: *Fechney Industrial School Brass Band*

**Fechney School Band**

See: *Fechney Industrial School Brass Band*

**Feckenham Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1868, 1899

**Feckenham Village Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Feckenham Brass Band*

**Felindre Brass Band** - Glamorgan

**Felling Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1873 - Former names: Heworth Colliery Band, Washington Glebe Band (following the colliery closure) (to 1972) - Note: At some point, as Heworth Colliery Band, it amalgamated with Felling Town Silver Band, retaining its name

**Felling Brass Band**

See: *Felling Saxhorn Band*



**Felling Chemical Works Band** - Durham

Founded in 1859. Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor R. Clemitson in 1865

**Felling Colliery Silver Band**

See: *Windy Nook Temperance Band*

**Felling Lane Band** - Durham

Active in 1905

**Felling Saxhorn Band** - Durham

Founded in 1865, with instruments provided through the liberality of H.L. Pattinson & Co. Conductor at their first contest appearance in 1867 was Thomas Woods. Active through to the 1880s, later known as Felling Brass Band. A successor Felling Band later arose out of the Heworth Colliery Band, eventually renamed in 1972

**Felling Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in 1898 and the 1900s

**Felling Town Silver Band**

Merged with Heworth Colliery Band (forerunner of the current Felling Band) at some point

**Feltham Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active from the early 1860s to the early 1900s. Conductor George Marshal in the 1880s and 1890s

**Feltham Industrial School Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1880s to the early 1900s, bandmaster E. James. The Middlesex Industrial School was established in 1854 in Bedfont Road, holding up to 700 boys. It closed in 1909

**Feltham Reformatory Boys' Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1867. The reformatory was opened in January 1859

**Feltham Town Band**

See: *Feltham Brass Band*

**Feltham Volunteers Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s

**Felton Amateur Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Felton Brass Band*

**Felton Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1861, 1876, and 1887, when it organised a duet contest. Also in 1896. Conductor Mr Jeffreys in 1862

**Feltwell Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s to WW1

**Fenland Music Centre Brass Band** - March, Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1980s

**Fenny Compton Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s through to the late 1920s. Conductor Arthur Knight in 1907

**Fenny Stratford Brass Band**

See: *Fenny Stratford Town Band*

**Fenny Stratford Station Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor A. Broughton in 1904

**Fenny Stratford Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1870s through to the 1920s - continuing its activities through WW1. Conductor H. Franklin in 1880-1917

**Fenton Industrial Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1864

**Fenton's Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire

Active in 1863 - workers at Messrs Fenton's cotton mills at Hooley Bridge

**Feock Brass Band** - Cornwall

Not a long history, they were known to be functional from 1882 to 1914. In the 1887 period they were conducted by John Chegwyn. After World War 1 they found that they were unable to continue, so they sold their instruments to Bleak House Band.

**Fergushill Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1879, when it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Oddfellows Lodge, who had gorgeous banners illustrative of the objects of the Order, and the fantastic robes and head gear of the officials attracted no little notice. One member of the Fergushill Band was John Murphy. He was unmarried and lived with his father at 152 Five Roads. He was employed by Greig's, a building company, and died in 1916, aged 41, in France.

**Ferguslie Brass Band**

See: *J. & P. Coats Ltd Brass Band*

**Ferndale and Blaenllechau Workmen's Band** - Glamorgan

Records held in the University of Wales (Swansea) include: Minutes 1923-1927; agreement 1927; note of payments to band members

**Ferndale Brass Band (1)** - Glamorgan

Active in 1870. Folded before 1881 when a successor band was formed.

**Ferndale Brass Band (2)** - Glamorgan

Formed in 1881. Known as Ferndale Select Band in its early years. Was associated with the Ferndale Colliery by 1895, and may have been so from the beginning. Its forerunner was the Blue Ribbon Army Band which used the Rhondda Hotel as it's headquarters. In 1894 it came second in a brass band contest at Porth, conducted by Mr James Ryan. It was conducted by a Mr Powell in 1898. Their bandroom code of conduct included "You must be gentlemanly, civil and courteous". In 1927 Mr T M Powell led the band to success in at least one contest. It was still playing in the 1950s.

**Ferndale Junior Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1903

**Ferndale Select Band**

See: *Ferndale Brass Band (2)*

**Ferndale Stars of Temperance Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1905, conductor Gordon Day.

**Ferndale Temperance Band**

See: *Ferndale Stars of Temperance Band*

**Ferndown Brass Band** - Dorset

Was active in 1903 through to the 1980s. A successor band was formed in 1990.

**Ferndown Concert Brass** - Dorset

[current band] - Founded in 1990

**Ferodo Works Band** - Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire

Formed in 1951 at the behest of the management of the local Ferodo factory in Chapel-en-le-Firth. The founding members included the conductor Frank Moss (also conductor of the Chapel-en-le-Firth Band), Jack Allcock, Sam Allcock, Charlie Brindley, Bernard Bygrave, Solomon Clayton, Bill Fletcher, Alf Garlic, Jimmy Gregson, Harold Hill, Ted

Holland, Jack Holmes, Jim Hulley, Alan Jackson, Jimmy Mycock, Jack Osborne, Walter Pearson, Norman Ringham and Alf Sellars. George Hespe, formerly of Sheffield Transport Band, became musical director in 1953 and led the band to victory at the British Open in 1955. The band folded in 1958 following the withdrawal of support from Ferodo. Tim Mutum recorded: An entrepreneur with the rather spectacular name of Herbert Frod formed the Ferodo Company in 1897. In need of a catchy brand name to move the company forward he rearranged the letters of his surname to coin the word 'Ferodo' and soon set about building his company organisation in Chapel-en-le-Frith in the Peak District of Derbyshire, by inventing everything from asbestos brake pads to the first bullet proof clothing. In 1951, at the behest of the management at the factory, a band was established - the Ferodo Works Band. The late Bill Skelton, one of the best horn players of his day, and who first went to Belle Vue in 1927, was one of the 'name' players in the band. He later said it was one of the happiest bands he played with. The company offered generous retainers and therefore attracted good players. In addition to Skelton, two former Black Dyke principals, Willie Lang and Bernard Bygraves joined the ranks, and Ferodo made its contest debut in Nottingham in 1952 under the direction of Fred Mortimer. That the management wanted the band to succeed became apparent with the appointment of George Hespe as Musical Director in 1953. Hespe was aged 53 at the time, and had served in the Army as band boy and bandmaster between 1914 and 1933. He then turned his hand to conducting brass bands and for a time he also played tuba in the BBC Northern and Hall, orchestras. Hespe's compositions included the march, 'Kinderscout', the trombone solo 'Melodie et Caprice' (sometimes anglicised to 'Melody and Caprice') and, most notably, the suite, 'The Three Musketeers', adopted as the test piece for the Belle Vue Championship in 1953. His impact was immediate - the band winning the Leicester Band Festival on Easter Monday. Bill Skelton recalled his impressions of Hespe: "He was a marvellous, considerate man with the welfare of all his bandsmen at heart. Everything was perfection. We were the busiest band in the country. When we toured the accommodation was all first class. It was a young band - I was one of the oldest in it - and we were very adaptable, we could play anything. Ferodo's contesting victories at the highest level were spectacular given the short life of the band itself. The band came 3rd at the Grand Shield in 1953, and went on to come runner up at the British Open the following year. The band qualified for the National Finals in 1954 too (after coming runner up at the Midland Regional) - coming 6th off the number 2 draw on 'Sovereign Heritage'. It was their only appearance at London. The startling success of their Open victory of 1955 seemingly heralded a new major contesting force, as in 1956 they added the prestigious Edinburgh Festival title. That was the high water mark though - fourth place at Belle Vue later that year was followed by their last appearance in Manchester in 1957 when they came out of the prizes. They were never seen at the contest again, although their winning performance of 1955 was later recorded. There is one other small story to relate about Ferodo's. Again it comes from Bill Skelton, who told of the night Mr Hespe couldn't make a rehearsal. "Young Elgar Howarth turned up. He was what you might call a whizz kid. I remember he asked me if I could give him a bit more - I always reckoned I had a big tone, you know, and he wanted more, so I really let rip. Startled the life out of him it did. The year was 1957. A year later the company disbanded the band for what was termed 'economic reasons'. The company had worked out that in seven years they had spent £70,000 more than the band had earned.

**Ferranti's Works Brass Band** - Hollinwood, Lancashire

Founded in the late 1890s, active into the 1900s. Became Hollinwood Brass Band around 1904

**Ferriby Brass Band**

See: *South Ferriby Brass Band*

**Ferriby Quarry Brass Band** - South Ferriby, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**Ferry Brass Band** - Owston Ferry, Lincolnshire

See: *Owston Ferry Brass Band*

**Ferrybridge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1881

**Ferryhill and Dean Bank Band** - Durham

Active between 1907 and 1935

**Ferryhill Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s

**Ferryhill Temperance Band** - Durham

Active between 1907 and 1911

**Ferryhill Town Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1909 - Former names: Mainsforth Colliery Band, Mainsforth Colliery and Tursdale Workshops Band (1968), Durham Colliery Mechanics Band (1979-1994)

**Festiniog Brass Band**

See: *Blaenau Festiniog Brass Band*

**Fewston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Ffrith Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Ffrwd Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Ffrwd Juvenile Temperance Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1885, conducted by Miss Cotterill

**Ffrwd White Star Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1887, conductor Mr Griffiths

**Ffynnongroew Excelsior Band** - Flintshire

See: *Ffynnongroyw Brass Band*

**Ffynnongroyw Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1890s

**Field and Allcock's Brass Band** - Stourbridge, Worcestershire

Active in 1858 and 1859

**Field and Allcock's Saxhorn Band** - Stourbridge, Worcestershire

See: *Field and Allcock's Brass Band*

**Field Lane Industrial School Band** - Clerkenwell, Middlesex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Mr Bonner was conductor in the early 1900s. The school was originally set up as a "ragged school" by Andrew Provan in 1860 and had links with Lord Shaftesbury and Charles Dickens.

**Fieldhouse Mills Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in the early 1880s. The Fieldhouse cotton mills were operated by John Bright. He was known as an unyielding, unsympathetic mill owner, and it is surprising that a band flourished under his patronage, albeit towards the end of his life.

**Fife and Forfar T.A. Band** - Fife

See: *Fife and Forfar Yeomanry Brass Band*

**Fife and Forfar Yeomanry Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1950s

**Fife Brass Band** - Banff, Banffshire

Active in 1852 to 1862

**Fife City Brass Band** - Banff, Banffshire

See: *Fife Brass Band*

**Fife Pottery Brass Band** - Kirkcaldy, Fife

See: *Links Pottery Brass Band*

**Fifehead Neville Primitive Methodist Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1900s

**Figheldean and Netheravon Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J. Plank

**Figheldean Brass Band**

See: *Figheldean and Netheravon Band*

**Filby Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s

**Filey Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1865, with 12 members, conductor Mr Hoggard. Active through to the 1970s. The leader in 1905 was Ellis Wood, of 8 Victoria Avenue. It folded before 1979 - its remaining members helped to form the Dennis Bayley Hunmanby and District Silver Band in 1979.

**Filey Silver Band**

See: *Filey Brass Band*

**Filleigh Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1857

**Fillingham Brass Band**

See: *Fillingham Rectory Brass Band*

**Fillingham Rectory Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1858. Conductor J.T. Martin in 1860

**Filton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s

**Filton Concert Brass** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1975

**Finchampstead Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1902 and 1903

**Finchdean Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1880s to 1910s. Conductor Mark Powell, 1890-1897

**Finchingfield Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Finchley Borough Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1964

**Finchley Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Finedon Dolben Prize Band**

See: *Finedon Old Prize Band*

**Finedon New Town Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Finedon Old Prize Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1877 as Finedon Dolben Prize Band, later renamed the Finedon Old Prize Band. Played for the Duchess of Albany, on the occasion of her visit to Finedon in 1883. Played as part of the celebrations for the visit to Northampton of His Majesty King George V and Her Majesty Queen Mary on Tuesday the 23rd September 1913 - at Victoria Park and Bath Street Recreation Ground. On 1st July 1935, the band made a broadcast on the BBC Midland Region. Won the Grand Shield in 1957. Report from Finedon Parish Magazine in 1957: "And this years champions are the band that played at No 13'. These were the words that proclaimed Finedon Old Band winners of the Grand Shield, at the Spring Brass Band Festival of Great Britain held at Belle Vue, Manchester, on Saturday May 18th. Such was the reward for weeks of hard work and preparation by all the bandsmen and their conductor, Arthur Remmington. The set piece was 'Tintagel' by Dr Denis Wright who acted as adjudicator. Being awarded 190 points from a possible 200 speaks. Together with a magnificent shield goes a cash prize of £75 and an Illuminated Diploma, all of which will be presented by A.S.Felton, Esq., of the famous Munn and Felton Works Band, at a concert to be held at the Town Hall on Friday 31st. Mrs T. Neal, president of the band will preside, supported by Mr Geo Clarke, president of the club." The band was wound up in 1959.

**Finedon Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1907 by the Curate the Rev. R.E. Ammand MA and supported by Miss Ellen Mackworth-Dolben. It was a rival band to the Finedon Old Prize Band, in fact, several people played in both bands from time to time. This band was wound up in 1914 and the instruments bought by the Old Prize Band.

**Fingringhoe Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s and the early 1900s

**Finsbury Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1866, conductor W. Chattaway

**Finsbury Borough Band** - Middlesex

See: *Peel Institute Brass Band*

**Finsbury Polytechnic Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active from the early 1890s to the early 1900s, Albert Morelli conductor

**Finsbury Temperance Band**

See: *Leysian Methodist Mission Brass Band*

**Finstock Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Played at Cornbury Park on 7 April 1888

**Fir View Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863

**Firbeck Colliery (Ambulance) Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1920s to the 1940s

**Firs Lane Band** - Leigh, Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to WW1. Competed in a contest in Leigh in 1884, organised by St Joseph's Brass Band, at which they gave a "very poor performance". They were one of the bands that played at the opening of Leigh Town Hall in 1907. In August 1910 Mr. Holden gave permission for Firs Lane Band to give a concert on the Fair Ground in Twist Lane.

**First City Brass** - Colindale, Middlesex

[current band]

**First City Brass** - London

Founded by MD Jeremy Wise in November 1997, folded in 2002. First City were formed in November 1997 and were immediately graded as a Championship Section Band due to the quality of the players who had decided to join Jeremy Wise on what was seen as perhaps the most exciting brass band project to come out of the capital city. With their distinctive dress sense - they didn't have uniforms as such but performed in a series of multi coloured fashion shirts - the band quickly made an impression. The demise of the band however had been forecast by many right from the start as it was said at the time of the bands first contest that they were only able to compete due to they themselves "poaching" players from other established bands in the London Area such as the once powerful John Laing (Hendon) Band.

**Fishburn Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in the 1950s - Former names: Fishburn Colliery Welfare Band, National Smokeless Fuels (Fishburn) Band, National Smokeless Fuels Band, NSF (Coal Products) Band, Coal Products (CPL) Band

**Fishburn Colliery Welfare Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Fishburn Band*

**Fisher and Ludlow Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Birmingham Brass Band*

**Fisher and Ludlow Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Birmingham Brass Band*

**Fisher Lads Naval Brigade Band** - Hastings, Sussex

Active in the early 1900s

**Fishermen's Band** - Blackpool, Lancashire

See: *Blackpool Lifeboat Band*

**Fishermen's Band** - Cleethorpes, Lincolnshire

See: *Cleethorpes Fishermen's Band*

**Fishermen's Band** - Flamborough, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Flamborough United Brass Band*

**Fishermen's Brass Band** - Arbroath, Angus

See: *Arbroath Fishermen's Brass Band*

**Fishermen's Brass Band** - Folkestone, Kent

See: *Folkestone Fishermen's Brass Band*

**Fishermen's Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *West Hull Excelsior Silver Band*

**Fisherton House Asylum Brass Band** - Salisbury, Wiltshire

Active in 1866

**Fishponds Argyle Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active from the 1890s to the late 1940s. Possibly re-organised in 1903. Secretary F. Chappell in 1921. Took part in a festival of brass bands at the Colston Hall, Bristol in 1933.

**Fishponds Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active from the 1860s to the early 1900s.

**Fishponds British Legion Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active from the 1930s to the 1960s.

**Fishponds British Legion Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Bristol Brass Band*

**Fison's Brass Band** - Burley in Wharfedale, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Messrs William Fison and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Fitzroy Ironworks Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex

See: *Fitzroy Works Brass Band*

**Fitzroy Works Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex

Active in 1865. The Fitzroy works were located in Euston Road, owned by Frederick Braby & Co., Wholesale and Export Manufacturers of Zinc, Galvanized Iron, Tanks, Perorated Zinc, Roofing Felt, etc. Still active in 1866

**Fitzwilliam Street Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Five B's Band** - Coalville, Leicestershire

The "Best Blooming Band between Burton and Bagworth". (Burton on Trent and Bagworth were places on the Midland Railway on either side of Coalville). Active around 1900.

**Five Rivers Brass** - Northumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Backworth Colliery Band*

**Flackwell Heath Concert and Youth Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1970s.

**Flackwell Heath Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire

Founded in 1906, bandmaster Mr Gomm. Active to the 1930s. Conductor W.H. Stanley in 1931

**Flagg and Monyash Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1869

**Flamborough Artillery Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1870s.

**Flamborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1862

**Flamborough Fishermen's Band**

See: *Flamborough United Brass Band*

**Flamborough United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded around the 1890s (perhaps when the old Artillery Band ceased to function), and it was certainly in existence in 1908, a time when Flamborough still had to rely on itself for most things including amusement and recreation. Also known as Flamborough Fishermen's Band. The new band was to have a life, with interruptions, of half a century or more and early members included Matthew Major, Mark Major senior and junior, Tanton Fell, Harold Marshall Jack Cowling (who with Matt. Bailey was among the first conductors), and G. Waud, not to mention Tom Woodhouse senior, an obvious choice for



the bass drum being, I understand, built on even more massive lines than his famous son. Bandmaster in 1909 was A. Gibbon. Like its predecessor the band practised in the old Drill Hall (now Smith's Coal Depot), and it soon began to make itself useful in village concerts, socials, processions etc. It had its ups and downs of course even from the beginning, finance being always a problem for it had no wealthy patrons and so had to make its own way. Instruments and uniforms were a heavy charge on the funds and the minute books record a long succession of dances, concerts, and jumble sales held to raise money. More than once major items had to be bought on the instalment plan, and it must have been a happy moment when, at the Annual General Meeting in 1939, the treasurer, Mr. H. C. Marshall was able to report a balance in hand of over £10. Unfortunately he was obliged to announce his resignation at the same time owing to the nature of his work which would take him away from the village in the near future. A sad blow this, as Mr. Marshall had served the band well both as treasurer and player over a number of years. It was the custom, as another way of raising funds, for the band to tour the village at Christmas time, and the records refer to the purchase of music suitable for this purpose. Later it was decided to install electric light in the practice room, "provided that the owner of the building, Mr. Smith, had no objection and that payment could be made at the rate of 8d. per unit, all the members agreeing to contribute a penny per week to meet the cost.

**Fleckney Silver Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1895

**Fleet Air Arm Volunteer Brass Band** - Arbroath, Angus

Active in the 1960s and early 1970s. Based at HMS Condor.

**Fleet Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. It was re-organised in 1900, conductor Mr Cooper. J. Ritchie was conductor in 1908. A "Number 2 Band" was also in existence at some point.

**Fleet Town Prize Silver Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1930s

**Fleet Wesleyan Mission Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s. W.A. Parnell conductor

**Fleets Colliery Band** - Tranent, East Lothian

Active in the 1930s and 1940s. Fleets was a very wet pit, and a Cornish beam pumping engine was installed in the late 1880s. The colliery closed in early 1959.

**Fleetwood Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s, presumably folding prior to 1860

**Fleetwood Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Founded in 1861. Active through to the early 1900s.

**Fleetwood British Legion Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Fleetwood Town Band**

See: *Fleetwood Brass Band*

**Fleggburgh Brass** - Norfolk

Formed in 1991, renamed Norfolk Broads Brass in 1996. By 2001 it had amalgamated with its sister organisation, the Norfolk Broads Wind Band, to form the current Norfolk Broads Concert Band.

**Fletcher's Works Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Active in the mid-1880s, associated with the gas appliance manufacturers Thomas Fletcher & Co. based at Thynne Street and later at the Palatine Works on Wilderspool Causeway.

**Fletching Village Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed c.1886

**Fletton Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s, conductor Mr Preston in 1848-1852. A successor band was formed in 1904

**Fletton Subscription Band**

See: *Old Fletton Victoria Prize Band*

**Fletton Victoria Prize Band**

See: *Old Fletton Victoria Prize Band*

**Fleur-de-Lis Brass Band** - Pengam, Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s to WW1 and in the 1930s. Willie Morgan conductor in 1903

**Fleur-de-Lis Temperance Band**

See: *Fleur-de-Lis Brass Band*

**Flimby Saxhorn Brass Band (1)** - Cumberland

Active from the 1870s, conductor T. A. Haigh. Disbanded prior to the 1890s. A successor band was formed around 1892

**Flimby Saxhorn Brass Band (2)** - Cumberland

Founded around 1892, conductor H. Nicholson in the early 1900s. It was disbanded in 1931 - W. Ditchburn had been bandmaster and player with the band for over 50 years. Secretary at that time was Mr Lancaster. The band had very little financial resources and very few members, they had lost six members in the previous few months and had not had a full band for five years. The instruments were put into storage. A successor band was formed at some time.

**Flimby Saxhorn Brass Band (3)** - Cumberland

Formed some time after the previous band, and active through to the 2000s, finally folding around 2008.

**Flimby Saxhorn Silver** - Cumberland

[current band]

**Flint and Holywell Volunteers Band**

See: *Flint Volunteers Band*

**Flint Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1890s

**Flint British Legion Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1948

**Flint Choral Society's Brass Band** - Flintshire

Founded in 1857, conductor Mr Hull. Leader William Foulkes in 1860, John Lloyd in 1867.

**Flint Glass Makers' Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Glass Makers' Brass Band*

**Flint Town Silver Band** - Flintshire

Formed after WW1. Active from the 1920s to the 1980s

**Flint Volunteers Band** - Flintshire

Active from the 1880s to the early 1900s

**Flintshire Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1867, conductor John Jones

**Flixton Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Former names: Flixton Silver Band (to 1988)

**Flixton Brass Band (1)**

Active in the 1850s, folded prior to the formation of the Flixton Volunteer Band in 1877.

**Flixton Brass Band (2)**

See: *Flixton Volunteer Band*

**Flixton Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flixton Band*

**Flixton Volunteer Band**

Formed in 1877 from the formation of the Flixton 1st Volunteer Battalion, Manchester Regiment. Known as Flixton Brass Band from 1908 when the Volunteers terminated. The depression of the 1930's took it's toll, and in 1933, with many players leaving the area to find work, and people not having enough spare time, the band disbanded. Some of the instruments were held in trust in the hope that the band would be reformed at a future date. A successor band formed in 1967.

**Flockton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Flockton United Brass Band*

**Flockton Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Flockton United Brass Band*

**Flockton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Originally formed as a brass and reed band in 1838 and known as Flockton United. Conductor G. Webster in 1860. Reeds were dropped around 1858 and the band became brass only. It celebrated its centenary in 1938 and was active through until around 1955.

**Flookburgh Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1909 - Former names: Flookburgh Village Hall Brass Band (to 1937), Flookburgh Silver Band

**Flookburgh Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flookburgh Band*

**Flookburgh Village Hall Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flookburgh Band*

**Floore Band**

See: *Flore Brass Band*

**Flore Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1892, conducted by Mr Roberts. William G. Hall conductor in 1900-18?. Secretary in 1911 was E.T. Garner, Treasurer G. Meacock. Still active in 1931. At some point (in the 1920s?) William Hall junior took over the baton.

**Florence Brass** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Former names: Bucknall Ex-Servicemen's Band, Staffordshire Police Band, Staffordshire Special Constabulary Band, Stoke on Trent City Police Band, Band of Staffordshire Police (to 2001)

**Flowers Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: City of Gloucester Band, Flowers Band, Hawthorne Brewery Band, Message Maker (Gloucester) Band, Polysteel Band

**Flowery Field Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1858, 1862

### **Flush Mills Heckmondwike Band**

See: *Heckmondwike Flush Mills Band*

### **Flyford Flavell Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in 1861, 1863

### **Fochabers Brass Band - Morayshire**

Active from 1865 to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Barclay in 1892

### **Fochabers Volunteers Brass Band - Morayshire**

Active in 1867

### **Fochriw Brass Band - near Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan**

Formed around 1886. The first mention of Fochriw Brass Band was in Merthyr Express newspaper cuttings of 1887 when it was advised that, on 20 August 1887, the Fochriw Brass Band led the Fochriw Church Sunday School procession and played very well considering that they had only been practicing for 12 months. Therefore it may be assumed that it was formed in 1886. As a child in the 1950's I can recall the band coming around the streets of Fochriw on a Christmas Day and being told that after its disbandment, the instruments were kept under the New Hall stage. The newspaper reports are from 1887 to 1904 and it would appear that many honours such as 1sts and 2nds and gold and silver places were won by the band at eisteddfodau across the length and breadth of Wales. July 1893 - South Wales and Monmouthshire Brass Band Association, 3rd Annual Contest, Penydarren Park, Merthyr Tydfil - 2nd prize in second of two sections. 1894 - Caerphilly - Chief prize 1894 - Bridgend Eisteddfod (16 bands competing) - 2nd prize and Silver Medal 1895 - Welshpool Eisteddfod - 2nd prize in the selection section 1896 - Merthyr Tydfil - 1st in the selection section, shared 1st in the march. Report: "During last 2 months band had won 7 prizes - 6 firsts" 26 August 1899 - Machen - 1st in marching section, 3rd in selection section, conductor W.R. Dawson. 30 August 1902 - At the Dowlais Miner's Federation Demonstration, led by Keir Hardie MP, the Fochriw Band led the procession. The Demonstration was about the struggle over the sliding scale and 8 hour day for miners. 25 April 1903 - Abergavenny and East Monmouthshire Competition (9 bands competing) - 3rd in first section, 4th in second section 3 October 1903 - Report on year's performance to date. Prizes at: Cardiff, Abergavenny (2), Senghenydd, Rhymney, Pentre, Mountain Ash, New Tredegar (2), Merthyr Vale, Pontlloftyn and Caerphilly. Although a class C band, they had taken prizes in all A, B and C classes. Mr David Phillips of Pontlloftyn was the bandmaster in November 1887; Mr Dawson conducted the band at Machen on 26 August 1899; In March 1903 the conductor was Mr William Powell when the band was practicing for the forthcoming Abergavenny and Senghenydd contests. From the Merthyr Express, 26 March 1904, Presentation: Through the departure of Mr. David Jones for Rhymney, the Fochriw Brass Band has lost a most capable secretary. About two years ago, the Band was on the point of being disbanded. Then Mr. Jones was prevailed upon to undertake the duties of secretary, and so ably did he discharge his work that band was again, in a very short time, on a sound basis. Indeed, more contests were attended during the season, than in many other similar periods of the band's existence, and the numerous prizes captured have placed the band once more in an honourable position. A few weeks ago, a presentation committee was formed with Mr. Charles Payne as chairman, Mr. Daniel Jenkins as treasurer, and Mr. J. Pugh as secretary. On Friday evening last, a smoker was held, at which Mr. Jones was made the recipient of a handsome marble clock supplied by Messrs. Mappin and Webb. It bore the following inscription: "Presented to

Mr. David Jones by the committee and members of the Fochriw Brass Band for services rendered as secretary, March 18th, 1904." The chair was taken by Mr. J. H. Jones, M.E., the genial president of the band. After a rousing song by Mr. Charles Payne, Councillor Thomas, in the course of an able speech, attributed the success of the past season largely to the interest taken in his work by the secretary. Two capital songs having been rendered by Messrs. W. S. Williams and T. Davies, the chairman, in a witty speech, made the presentation. Mr Jones suitably responded. Mr. W. J. Powell, the popular conductor, then spoke in eulogistic terms of Mr. Jones' services, and he was followed by Councillor Jones. A splendid programme of songs was now contributed to by Messrs. T. Shankland, J. Payne, J. Edwards, D. Jones, and W. S. Williams, whilst stirring speeches were delivered by Messrs. H. Evans, Brook House, and T. Roberts. Among the former officials of the band present were Messrs. James Evans, Howell Thomas and Jacob Jones. After the usual votes of thanks, a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the singing of "He's a jolly good fellow." In August 1920 the conductor was Mr Hanney, and in June 1921 Mr Albert Mantle. The band briefly disbanded between 1928 and 1931, when it was reformed by Albert Mantle as Fochriw Silver Band. New silver instruments were purchased in 1932, followed by new uniforms in 1934 - A concert was held at the New Hall on Sunday evening under the auspices of the Fochriw Silver Band. The bandsmen appeared in their new uniforms. The chairman was Mr. Willie Adams Jones. The Band, under their conductor Mr. Albert Mantle, played the following selections: "The Typhoon," "Dawn of Spring," "Country Life," "Echoes of Spring," "Royal Artillery," "Eventide." The band was assisted by Mrs. Marjory Humphreys, Pontlottyn, soprano; Mr. James John Lewis, Fochriw, tenor; Miss Megan Jones, Pontlottyn, elocutionist; accompanist, Mr. Thomas Walters. After surviving through WW2, band had disbanded once again by 1951, and although they briefly reformed for the Festival of Britain celebrations, they seem to have finally disbanded shortly after 1953.

#### **Fochriw Silver Band**

See: *Fochriw Brass Band*

#### **Foden Motor Works Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

#### **Foden OTS Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

#### **Foden's Band - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Foden Motor Works Band, Foden OTS Band (1983), Britannia Building Society Foden Band (1986), Britannia Building Society Band, Fodens Courtois Band (1997-2003), Fodens Richardson Band

#### **Fodens Courtois Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

#### **Fodens Richardson Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foden's Band*

#### **Foleshill Brass Band - Warwickshire**

See: *Foleshill Excelsior Brass Band*

#### **Foleshill Excelsior Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active from 1862 through to 1916 at least. Rehearsed at Lockhurst Lane Assembly Rooms - J.P. Cantrill, bandmaster.

#### **Folkestone Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Folkestone Brass Band*

**Folkestone Brass Band** - Kent

Formed in 1858, tutored by W.B. Tolputt. Still active in the 1880s. In the 1870s there was a mixed instrumentation Folkestone Town Band which probably folded around 1908. A plea was published in the local press in 1914 to attempt to start a new Folkestone Brass Band

**Folkestone Fishermen's Brass Band** - Kent

Active from the early 1900s to the early 1920s

**Folkestone Silver Band** - Kent

Active in the 1980s and 1990s, conductor Joseph Smith.

**Folkingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1868. Still active in 1869

**Folkton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1864

**Follingsby Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1950s

**Fontmell Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Fontmell Magna Brass Band*

**Fontmell Magna Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Foots Cray and Sidcup Band**

See: *Foots Cray Brass Band*

**Foots Cray Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the early 1900s, acquired new instruments in 1906

**Ford Motor Works Band** - Dagenham, Essex

A military band active in the 1950s and 1960s. Possibly evolved from the City of London 7th Bn Home Guard Band. They were COL 7th (Rippleside) Bn based in Barking, Essex.

**Fordcombe Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1859

**Fordell Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1865 to 1869

**Fordell Colliery Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 19th century.

**Fordell Estate Brass Band** - Fife

See: *Fordell Brass Band*

**Fordham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active from the 1880s through to WW1.

**Fordingbridge Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1850s and 1870s. Conductor Mr Jeffries in 1859

**Fordingbridge Town and Volunteers Band** - Hampshire

See: *Fordingbridge Town Band*

**Fordingbridge Town Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor H. Coundley in 1909

**Forebank Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus

See: *Dundee Forebank Brass Band*

**Forest Gate Brass Band** - Cornwall

This is the band referred to in the Illogan Band report above that entered a Redruth Contest. My first reference to this band is 1862. Later in the same geographical area was

Forest Lane End Brass Band in operation in 1877. Then further reference is made to Illogan Broad Lane Band in 1889. There could have been bandsmen from any of these bands when the Illogan Military band was formed because it is on record that that band was started with men from the area that could already play.

**Forest Gate Industrial School Brass Band - Essex**

Active from the late 1860s to the 1910s. The band was revived in 1897. The building in Forest Lane was initially constructed to provide a school for boys some distance from the choked inner districts of East London. It was used as an Industrial school from 1854 to 1906, formally becoming part of the Forest Gate School District in 1868. A disastrous fire in 1890 claimed the lives of 26 boys. From 1898 to 1906 it was taken over by the Poplar Union and known as the Poor Law School or Poplar Training School. The bandmaster in 1900 was S.T. Webber

**Forest Gate Poor Law School Band - Essex**

See: *Forest Gate Industrial School Brass Band*

**Forest Lane End Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in 1877

**Forest of Dean Area Youth Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Forest of Dean Brass - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1994 - Note: Amalgamation of Coleford Town Band and Yorkley Onward Band.

**Forest of Dean Brass Band - Cinderford, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1855

**Forest Row and District Band - Sussex**

See: *Forest Row Brass Band*

**Forest Row Brass Band - Sussex**

Active from the 1850s to the 1950s

**Forest Vale Ironworks Band - Cinderford, Gloucestershire**

Formed before 1869. Still active in 1877.

**Forest Vale Wire Works Band - Cinderford, Gloucestershire**

Formed in the 1880s

**Foresters Brass 2000 - Leicestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Bread Street Mission Band, 9th Battalion Home Guard Band, City of Leicester Special Constabulary Band, Leicester Foresters Band (1958), Band of the Ancient Order of Foresters (1978-2000) - Note: Amalgamated with Brass 2000 in 2000

**Foresters' Excelsior Brass Band - Ipswich, Suffolk**

Active in 1899

**Foresters' Great Bridge Brass Band**

See: *Great Bridge Temperance Band*

**Forfar and Kincardine Artillery Band - Angus**

Active in the 1860s

**Forfar Instrumental Band - Angus**

[current band] - Founded in 1894

**Formation Brass - Manchester, Lancashire**

Active in the 1980s, conducted by R. C. Richards.

- Formby Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1974
- Formby Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. A successor band was formed in 1974.
- Formby Old Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Formby Brass Band*
- Formby Protestant Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1854
- Formby Public Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s, also known as Formby Subscription Band
- Formby Subscription Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Formby Public Band*
- Forres Band of Hope Brass Band** - Morayshire  
Active in 1860, 1862
- Forres Brass Band (1)**  
See: *Forres Instrumental Band*
- Forres Brass Band (2)**  
See: *Forres Town Band*
- Forres Instrumental Band** - Morayshire  
Active from the mid-1840s to the mid-1860s
- Forres Town Band** - Morayshire  
Formed in the mid-1870s, when John McKimmie was Band Master. Conductor in 1905 was John Ross. Still active in 1907 when, under Bandmaster Shelton, played in Roysvale Park with the programme: march, 'In Camp', J. Ord Hume; valse, 'Flora', Haig; selection Scotch songs, E. Morton; barn dance, 'In Old Kentucky', J. Linter; overture, 'The Sentinel', H. Round; Lancers, 'Coronation Gems', E. Newton; march, 'Lochnagar', J.R. Hood. James Taylor was appointed bandmaster in 1910
- Forshaw Street Primitive Methodist Chapel** - Barrow-In-Furness, Lancashire  
Active 1883 1886
- Fortescue House Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the early 1900s to 1910. This was based at the Fortescue House School, established in 1878 in Twickenham as one of the original Shaftesbury Homes for boys.
- Forth Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Founded in 1868, disbanded in 1988. In 1893 a brake containing the members of the band met with an accident while passing through Motherwell, the vehicle split in two spilling the passengers to the ground - the back portion were left while the horse took fright and bolted down the street with the other portion. Several members of the band were injured and the horse ran down two children before being brought to a standstill.
- Forth Bridge Brass Band**  
See: *Queensferry and Forth Bridge Brass Band*
- Fortismere Community Brass** - Muswell Hill, Middlesex  
[previous name of current band] See: *London Metropolitan Brass*
- Forton Brass Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Forton Total Abstinence Brass Band*
- Forton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s



**Forton Temperance Society Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Forton Total Abstinence Brass Band*

**Forton Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1869, 1870

**Fortrose Brass Band** - Ross-shire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Foss Dyke Band** - Waddington, Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1974

**Foster's, Edward and Sons Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Foundling Hospital Band** - London

Active in the 1920s

**Foundry Brass Band** - Cornwall

Engagements for this band can be found in 1885/86. Their first engagement, in 1885, was given an encouraging report in the local press, then in 1886 they played at a regatta in Falmouth, and that seems to be that!

**Four Lane Ends Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lostock Hall Memorial Band*

**Four Lanes Brass Band** - Cornwall

It was in 1888 that Four Lanes Brass Band entered their first contest, under Mr A Bartle. Most of their subsequent contesting was carried out under William F Floyd, their standard being that required of a Section 3 band. The results ranged from 1st to 4th but they were forced to disband in 1924/25. From 1910 to 1913 they managed to organise and run band contests that were reasonably successful.

**Four Lanes Temperance Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1913

**Fovant Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1859 to 1869, and competed in the 1930s. It continued through until the early 1970s when dwindling numbers caused the band to cease, with the remaining members joining the Shaftesbury Band which was in need of them.

**Fovant Friendly Society Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1869

**Fowey Brass and Reed Band** - Cornwall

This band was formed in 1905 and continued in fits and starts until 1919. They did change to an all brass combination. No contesting. The first conductor was a Mr J Cleaves. A band was formed in 1919 to celebrate the peace, but nothing came of it.

**Fowey County Secondary School Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1960s

**Fowey Town Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1893 - "plays twice a week during the summer months on the esplanade"

**Fownhope Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Formed in September 1866, by E.J. Cooke, bandmaster William Cooke, with instruments costing £40. Leader A. Jones in 1867. Still active in 1895

**Fox Street Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Foxdale Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in the 1880s to 1900s - conductor George Johnson

**Foxdale Mines Band**

See: *Foxdale Brass Band*

**Foxdale Temperance Band - Isle of Man**

Active in 1912

**Foxdale Village Band**

See: *Foxdale Brass Band*

**Foxford Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1861 to 1866

**Foxhill Bank Band**

See: *Foxhill Bank Subscription Brass Band*

**Foxhill Bank Subscription Brass Band - Oswaldtwistle, Lancashire**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Foxhill Brass Band**

See: *Foxhill Bank Subscription Brass Band*

**Foxhole Brass Band - Cornwall**

Formed about 1896 and kept this title until 1909 when they adopted the name Foxhole Temperance Band. This carried on through to 1920 when they made the slight, but no doubt important change brought about by a slight feeling of hypocrisy, to Foxhole Silver Band. They started contesting in 1908 and whilst never rising above 2nd section, their results were quite impressive. From 1926 it appears that the only Cornish contest they entered was that at Bugle, and their best achievement was in 1934 when they took 2nd in Class B. John Morcom was their first conductor in 1896. He handed over (and stayed on as a player) to William H Juleff, who himself left in 1906 to take over the St Dennis Band. At this point there was a slight hiccup and the band ceased operations until John Morcom helped reform the band in 1908. He stayed in control until 1929 when the duties went to Albert John Morcom who carried on to the band's demise in the early 50's. Instruments and music were loaned to the Cornwall Education Authority then, in 1971, were returned to Foxhole as they now intended to form a new band. Harold Trethewey was the man attempting this resuscitation, but it was only short lived, and the final bell was sounded in 1973.

**Foxhole Silver Band - Cornwall**

See: *Foxhole Brass Band*

**Foxhole Temperance Band - Cornwall**

See: *Foxhole Brass Band*

**Foxholes Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in 1868

**Foxley and Bawdeswell Brass Band - Norfolk**

Active in the 1870s

**Fraddon Coronation Band - Cornwall**

Formed in 1910, this band kept its title until 1920 when it became the Fraddon Temperance Band. Its last recorded public appearance was in 1922. During its short lifetime it contested frequently, eleven appearances taking place from 1920 to 1922. The first conductor was A Bullock who was also involved with the Indian Queens Band. Then came William H Juleff who was also principal cornet of the St Dennis Band, and upon his moving on, the next, and last, was W Weedall.

**Fraddon Temperance Band**

See: *Fraddon Coronation Band*

**Framfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1864

**Framilode Teetotal Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1851

**Framlingham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1850 and through to WW1, having some 20 players by around 1910. Their uniforms were a dark coloured high collared tunic with a single row of buttons and little, if any, gold braiding but with, 'wing epaulettes'. The Bandmaster's tunic was similar but with braiding around the collar and, unusually, tassels hanging from the epaulettes. They all wore Australian type bush hats which, again, was an unusual form of headgear. The Town Band proper was thought to have been established around 1919 and continued until 1939. Apart from special events such as the annual Gala, and going round the streets playing carols at Christmas; they played on Saturday afternoons on Market Hill during the summer and on some Sunday evenings on Castle Meadow. They used to rehearse in a barn at the back of the Castle Inn. In the Oct/Nov issue of 'The Advertiser' in the 1950's there was a headline 'Can the Old Framlingham Town Band be Revived?' Apparently not as it never was - the instruments which had been stored in their practice room had mysteriously disappeared, and they couldn't afford to get more. Conductor in 1851 and 1882 was S.W. Wright, C.A. Wright in 1895

**Framlingham Town Band**

See: *Framlingham Brass Band*

**Frampton Brass Band** - Frampton on Severn, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1977.

**Frampton Cotterell British School Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1862

**Frampton on Severn Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Former names: Frampton-on-Severn & District Silver Band

**Frampton-on-Severn and District Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Frampton on Severn Silver Band*

**Framwellgate Moor Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1880s to early 1900s

**Framwellgate Moor Youth Band** - Durham

Active in the 1980s

**Franklin's Band**

See: *Dunstable Borough Brass Band*

**Fraserburgh Brass Band (1)** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1851 to 1858, folding some time before 1865

**Fraserburgh Brass Band (2)** - Aberdeenshire

Founded in 1866. Still active in 1869

**Fraserburgh Public School Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Founded in 1881, conductor Mr Cook. Still active in 1884

**Fraserburgh Town Band** - Aberdeenshire

Founded in 1906, bandmaster Mr Gomm. Active to the 1930s. Conductor W.H. Stanley in 1931

**Freckleton Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Freckleton Subscription Band (1950s) - Note: The earliest known outside public performance of the band was at the laying of the memorial stone of the new Primitive Methodist Chapel in August 1891. In 1955, two surviving members of the original band, Robert Rawstrone (aged 89), and James Hawthornthwaite (aged 87), recalled that they and their friends 'used to meet in a cottage in Kirkham Road', and that it was at one of these social gatherings that someone suggested forming a band.

**Freckleton Subscription Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Freckleton Band*

**Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Kendal, Westmorland

See: *Kendal Free Gardeners' Brass Band*

**Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Newcastle Free Gardeners' Brass Band*

**Free Gardeners' Operatic Brass Band** - Jarrow, Durham

See: *Jarrow Free Gardeners' Operatic Brass Band*

**Freehold Mission Band** - New Southgate, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Thurlow, based at the Mission Church in Sydney Road

**Freeland Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1890

**Freemen's Orphan School Band** - Brixton, Surrey

Active in the early 1900s, conductor J. Hansford. The City of London Freemen's Orphan School was established in purpose-built premises on Shepherd's Lane (now part of Ferndale Road) in Brixton, in 1854.

**Frenchay Brass** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Freshfield Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the late 1890s through to 1910. Conductor Joseph Leadbetter around 1900

**Freshwater Volunteer Artillery Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[no information]

**Friar Mere Brass Band** - Delph, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1852

**Friarmere Brass Band**

Active in 1852

**Friary Brewery Band**

See: *Friary Silver Band*

**Friary Guildford Brass Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1983

**Friary Silver Band**

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Was the works band of the Friary, Holroyd and Healy's Brewery, from Guildford. It was formed and financed back in 1922 by Friary's then head brewer, J.W. Huxley. He had noticed that there were employees who were lovers of music and with an ability to play. He therefore secured for them a set of second-hand instruments. Realising the popularity of the band and its potential, the directors then bought for the players a new set of silver instruments and new uniforms, and the services of a qualified bandmaster were secured. It soon established itself as a band of quality performances. Along with other works brass bands

from up and down the country, the Friary Silver Band featured in regular monthly broadcasts by the BBC. The brewery owners no doubt saw this as some very useful national and, what's more, free advertising! During the summer months the band played regularly in Guildford's Castle Grounds while also providing the music there for Armistice Day services. It could also be seen and heard playing at garden parties at large houses in the area, generally to invited guests in the afternoon and then in the evening local people were invited to come and dance on the lawns. The band also played in London parks. Its best competition result came in 1936 at the National Finals held at the Royal Albert Hall, when it was placed third behind the Black Dyke and Foden bands. The musicians' uniform was navy blue with red and gold trim. For a number of years the bandmaster was David Aspinall, but in the late 1930s he was "poached" by Ransome and Miles Ball Bearings Ltd, to become bandmaster of their band. It's said that when he left he took some of the Friary Silver Band's best musicians with him. The Second World War was not far off, and when it came the band members went their separate ways and the band disbanded.

**Frickley and South Elmsall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1969 - Former names: Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Junior Band (1971), Carlton Main Youth (to 1992), Frickley South Elmsall Colliery Brass (1992), Frickley South Elmsall RS Haulage Till (1993), Frickley South Elmsall Standard Fireworks Band (1995-1999)

**Frickley South Elmsall Colliery Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Frickley & South Elmsall Brass Band*

**Frickley South Elmsall RS Haulage Till Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Frickley & South Elmsall Brass Band*

**Frickley South Elmsall Standard Fireworks Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Frickley & South Elmsall Brass Band*

**Friday-Ad Brass** - Uckfield, Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Uckfield Concert Brass*

**Friendly Band** - Sowerby Bridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1868 - Former names: Friendly Subscription Prize Band, Sowerby Bridge Band

**Friendly Subscription Prize Band** - Sowerby Bridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Friendly Band*

**Friends Adult School Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1886 - 1889

**Friezland Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Frisby-on-the-Wreake Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1899, disbanded in 1925. Conductor Mr Parr in 1906

**Friskney Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1864. Also active in the 1920s

**Frittenden Band** - Kent

Active in the 1860s

**Fritwell Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1865, 1866

**Frizington Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1863, conductor Thomas Harrison. Still active in 1866

**Frizington St Joseph's Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s

**Frizington St Paul's Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1890s to the 1940s. Conductor William Smith in 1899

**Frizington Temperance Brass Band** - Cumberland

Founded in 1862 by the Frizington Teetotal Society (which had been formed in the previous year)

**Frizington Town Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1890s to early 1900s

**Frizington Volunteers Band**

See: *Frizington Town Band*

**Frodingham and Scunthorpe Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1912

**Frodingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1860 to the 1880s

**Frodsham Brass Band**

See: *Frodsham Harmonic Brass Band*

**Frodsham Harmonic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s. Conductor Thomas Reilly in 1867. A successor band was formed in 1907 (current Frodsham Band)

**Frodsham Silver Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: Frodsham Subscription Band, Frodsham Town Band

**Frodsham Subscription Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Frodsham Silver Band*

**Frodsham Territorial Band**

See: *Frodsham Volunteers Band*

**Frodsham Town Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Frodsham Silver Band*

**Frodsham Victoria Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1884

**Frodsham Volunteers Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Frome Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1862 to 1878

**Frome and Rode Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1850s

**Frome Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Frome Amateur Brass Band*

**Frome Town Band** - Somerset

Formed as Frome Military Band in 1911, becoming part of the Home Guard from 1939 to 1947. It converted to a brass band in 1956. Still active in 1981

**Frome Town Youth Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Frome Volunteers Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1901, conductor W. Hedley Stokes

**Froncsyllte Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
 Founded in 1908 or 1909

**Frosterley Brass Band (1)** - Durham  
 Active in 1890 - assumed to have folded before 1898.

**Frosterley Brass Band (2)** - Durham  
 Formed in 1898 and still active in 1933. Conductor R. Ridley in 1904

**Fryston Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1950s.

**Fulbourn and Teversham RBL Band** - Cambridgeshire  
 Founded in 1985. Disbanded in 2010

**Fulbourn Hospital Band**  
 Active in the 1880s

**Fulford Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Active in 1866

**Fulford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in 1850

**Fulham Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 [current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Fulham Borough Band

**Fulham British Legion Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the 1920s

**Fulham Co-operative Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the early 1900s, conductor Mr Bailey

**Fulledge Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire  
 Active from 1884 through to the early 1900s

**Fuller Mission Brass Band**  
 See: *Kettering Fuller Mission Brass Band*

**Fulstow and North Thoresby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Formed in 1863, conductor Robert Wheatley. Conductor Alfred Campion in 1864

**Fulstow and Thoresby Brass Band**  
 See: *Fulstow and North Thoresby Brass Band*

**Fulstow Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 See: *Fulstow and North Thoresby Brass Band*

**Fulwell Band** - Barkingside, Essex  
 [no information]

**Fulwood Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [no information]

**Fulwood Cottage Homes Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1908.

**Fulwood Temperance Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [no information]

**Furness Vale Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in 1865, conductor H. Tym.

**Furnishing Trades Band**  
 See: *Ercol Furniture Company Band*

**Furniture Industries (Ercols) Works Band**  
 See: *Ercol Furniture Company Band*

### **Fylde Ex-Servicemens' Liason Band**

Formed in Blackpool around 1946, the first conductor was Henry Irving Mellor. They won several trophies, including one in a contest in Harrogate (c. 1948). H.I.Mellor composed a piece called "The Bandsman". They played regularly at Blackpool football ground in its good days. H.I.Mellor died in 1948, but the band continued after his death.

### **Fylde Farm Reformatory School Band - Lancashire**

The Fylde Farm Reformatory School for Boys was established at Poulton-le-Fylde in 1905 to accomodate 130 boys. The band was active by 1910 and was rated as "quite first-class".

### **Fylingdales Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1861 to 1869

### **G Division Police Brass Band - Finsbury, Middlesex**

Active in 1863 to 1868. Conductor W. Lake in 1868. See also B, D, E, H, K, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

### **G. White and Co.'s Brass Band - Truro, Cornwall**

Active in 1857

### **G.C.R. Subscription Band**

See: *Great Central and Metropolitan Band*

### **G.E.C. Maidstone Band - Kent**

[previous name of current band] See: *BAE Systems Brass Band*

### **G.K.B. Steel Works Home Guard Band**

Active in 1942

### **G.R. Turner Langley Mill Brass Band - Langley Mill, Derbyshire**

Active in the 1900s through to the 1930s. Based at the iron works belonging to G.R. Turner Company, which produced railway rolling stock until the 1960s

### **G.U.S. (Footwear) Band - Northamptonshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Virtuosi GUS Band*

### **G.W.R. and Metropolitan Band - London**

Active in the 1950s

### **G.W.R. and Paddington Borough Silver Band - London**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1920s. In the mid 1920s it converted to a military band format, becoming the Great Western Railway Staff Military Band. It still exists today as the GWR Paddington Band in that format.

### **G.W.R. Employees Brass Band - Taunton, Somerset**

Active in 1895

### **G.W.R. Institute Band**

See: *Wolverhampton Railway Works Band*

### **Gadsden Band - Stewartby, Bedfordshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1910 - as a brass quartet by four brothers to provide accompaniment for hymn-singing at open air services, over subsequent years more family members and friends were encouraged to join and it soon became a full brass band.

### **Gainford Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1865

### **Gainford Saxhorn Band - Durham**

Active in 1880

### **Gainsborough and Morton Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1856



**Gainsborough Britannia Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Gainsborough Britannia Works Band*

**Gainsborough Britannia Works Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1878 at Messrs. Marshalls Ironworks, by John F. Cook and J. Vickers. At first it only numbered 8 or 9 members but quickly grew to 24 by 1882 when they entered their first contest at Droylsden. Hugh Whitham of Cleckheaton was appointed conductor and, together with new instruments bought through a subscription list, the band made their first inroads into the prizes. It competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Around 1950 the Band of Britannia Works, Gainsborough, became the new Lincolnshire champions in the annual brass band contest at Cleethorpes, beating Brigg Town Silver Band, runners-up for the last two years to the Grimsby Band, by four points. Grimsby was unplaced. Other bands taking part were from Cleethorpes, Horncastle, Kirton and Lincoln. When the sponsorship from Marshalls ceased in 1972, the band sought a new home, finding it at Spillers Ltd, in Carr Lane. It officially became the Spillers (Gainsborough) Band in 1973, and won the National Championships (Second section) in 1974. John Golland, the famous brass band composer, took up the conductorship of the band in 1976. The band folded in 1980 following the withdrawal of support from Spillers. [A detailed history of the band can be found in "Marshall's of Gainsborough: from a local point of view. Vol. 1, The Trent Works and Britannia Band", by Susan and Sara Edlington, 1999. ISBN: 0953493415]

**Gainsborough Charity Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1907

**Gainsborough Foresters' Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1867

**Gainsborough Rifles Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s

**Gaitsgill Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1869

**Galashiels Academy Band** - Selkirkshire

Active in the 1970s

**Galashiels Brass Band** - Selkirkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Galashiels Town Band*

**Galashiels Town Band** - Selkirkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1834 - Former names: Galashiels Brass Band

**Galatown Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1861, playing at a miners' procession at Fordell

**Galgate Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1879 and the 1900s

**Gallatown Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1856

**Galston Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Started as a reed band in 1872, conductor Robert Nisbet, promoted by the Gauchalland Coal Company, but within a few years had converted to brass as the Galston Burgh Band. In 1990, it amalgamated with Newmilns Burgh Band and Loudoun Band, to form the current Newmilns and Galston Band

**Galston Silver Band**

See: *Galston Burgh Band*

- Galvanising Eagle and Melyn Workmen's Band** - Neath, Glamorgan  
Active in 1924 - based at the Melyn Tinsplate Works in Neath.
- Gamblesby Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1853, 1863
- Gamlingay Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Ganton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1860
- Garboldisham Boys Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1945-6
- Gardner's Engineering Band**  
Based at L. Gardner and Sons factory at Barton, Manchester. They rehearsed Fridays and Sundays in the staff canteen. Active in the 1970s
- Garforth Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 2005 - Former names: Garforth Community Brass Band
- Garforth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1840s to the 1930s. A successor band was formed in 1977.
- Garforth Community Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Garforth Brass*
- Garforth Jubilee Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1977
- Garibaldi Brass Band** - South Shields, Durham  
See: *South Shields Garibaldi Band*
- Garlinge Silver Band** - Kent  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cantium Brass*
- Garlinge Silver Band** - Kent  
Successor to Garlinge Wesleyan Band and predecessor of Margate Silver Band
- Garlinge Wesleyan Band** - Kent  
Formed in the mid 19th century. Precursor to Garlinge Silver Band and Margate Silver Band. Known as Garlinge Wesleyan Silver Band in 1931
- Garlinge Wesleyan Mission Band** - Kent  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cantium Brass*
- Garlinge Wesleyan Silver Band** - Kent  
See: *Garlinge Wesleyan Band*
- Garn Brass Band** - Garn-Dolbenmaen, Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1869 through to the early 1900s
- Garn Dolbenmaen Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
See: *Garn Brass Band*
- Garn Fach Brass Band** - Nant-y-glo, Monmouthshire  
Active in 1855
- Garndiffaith and District Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the early part of the 20th century. Conducted at one time by James Samuel Griffin Flower, and his son Bert also played in the band. Still Active in 1934
- Garnkirk Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1906
- Garrigill Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active from the early 1850s to 1869. Conductor Thomas Emerson

**Garrigill Independent Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 See: *Garrigill Brass Band*

**Garsdale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1855, conductor John Lister. Still active in 1863

**Garsdale Teetotal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1858, conductor James Smith (of Kendal)

**Garsdale Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Garsdale Teetotal Brass Band*

**Garsington Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in 1884

**Garstang Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1865

**Garstang Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1839

**Garston Docks Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Garswood Hall Brass Band** - Garswood, Lancashire  
 Active in the late 1890s and early 1900s

**Garswood Hall Colliery Band** - Garswood, Lancashire  
 See: *Garswood Hall Brass Band*

**Garswood Hall Institute Brass Band** - Garswood, Lancashire  
 See: *Garswood Hall Brass Band*

**Garton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Active in 1859

**Gartsherrie Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active in 1863 to 1865

**Gartsherrie Instrumental Band** - Lanarkshire  
 See: *Gartsherrie Silver Band*

**Gartsherrie Ironworks Band** - Lanarkshire  
 See: *Gartsherrie Silver Band*

**Gartsherrie Silver Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active from the 1890s to the late 1960s. It was sponsored by Gartsherrie Ironworks, Coatbridge.

**Gartshore Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire  
 Active in 1948

**Garw Colliery Band** - Blaengarw, Glamorgan  
 See: *Garw Valley Silver Band*

**Garw Valley Silver Band** - Blaengarw, Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1950s to 1970s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section), conducted by W.T. Parker

**Gas Light and Coke Company Band** - Kilburn, Middlesex  
 Formed in 1906

**Gas Light and Coke Company Band** - Southall, Middlesex  
 See: *Southall Gasworks Brass Band*

**Gas Meters Company's Brass Band** - Clerkenwell, Middlesex  
 See: *Parkinson's Gas Meters Brass Band*

- Gatebeck Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1864 to 1867. Conductor Mr Duff in 1865
- Gateshead Borough Band** - Durham  
Formed in the 1890s and still active in 1938
- Gateshead Brass**  
See: *Northumberland Police Band*
- Gateshead British Legion Band** - Durham  
Active in 1938
- Gateshead Constabulary Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1870s
- Gateshead L.N.E.R. Band** - Durham  
Active in 1932
- Gateshead St Paul's Band** - Durham  
Active from the 1890s to WW1. Conductor T. Woods until 1895, J.B. Stack in 1898
- Gateshead Temperance Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1880s and 1900s
- Gateshead Union Workhouse Band**  
See: *Gateshead Workhouse Brass Band*
- Gateshead Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham  
Founded in 1869, with 12 boys, instruments costing £40, conductor Mr Watson. Active to the 1890s. Conductor John H. Amers in 1879 when they performed at the Yorkshire Fine Art and Industrial Exhibition in York that August.
- Gatley Prize Band** - Cheshire  
Active from the early 1900s through to the 1950s
- Gatton Old Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Renamed Ashley Vale Band in 1904.
- Gatton Road Mission Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1903
- Gawber Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s to 1950s
- Gawber Britannia Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded prior to 1886. Still active in 1936
- Gawber Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Gawcott Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active from 1877 to 1900. Founded as Gawcott Brass Band by conductor John Wootton. Became the Buckingham Rifle Volunteers Band in 1884. Also known as John Wootton's Brass Band
- Gawthorpe Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1990s through to 2010
- Gawthorpe Brass '85** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1985
- Gawthorpe Brass Band**  
See: *Gawthorpe Britannia Band*
- Gawthorpe Britannia Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductor E. Robinson in 1860

**Gawthorpe Mills Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1951

**Gawthorpe Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Gawthorpe Britannia Band*

**Gawthorpe Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s. Conductor G. Speight in 1860. Probably folded before the Victoria Band was formed in 1875

**Gawthorpe Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1875. Was largely defunct by the late 1980s, until Alan Morrison took the helm, growing it from 2 players at the start in April 1989 to 2nd section by 1992 gaining 2nd & 3rd prizes at London, then to the verge of the Championship Section by the time it folded in September 1995. It was known as Aceprint Gawthorpe Victoria Band during this period.

**GEC Avionics (Rochester) Brass Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *BAE Systems Brass Band*

**GEC-Marconi Avionics Brass Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *BAE Systems Brass Band*

**Gellionnen Chapel Brass Band** - near Swansea, Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s

**Gem Street School Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Bishop Ryder's School Brass Band*

**Gentlemen's Amateur Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

See: *Preston Gentlemen's Brass Band*

**George Salter High School Brass Band** - Sandwell, Staffordshire

Active in the 1980s

**George Street P.S.A. Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1908

**Germoe Brass Band** - Cornwall

Evidence of this band can be found in 1860 playing in Crowlas, then in 1875 in Camborne. So far nothing else can be found about them.

**Gibson's Malton Amateur Brass Band**

Founded in 1877 by John Gibson, of the Malton Rifle Volunteers, lasted until 1884

**Gifford Hall Band**

See: *Gifford Hall Mission Silver Band*

**Gifford Hall Mission Silver Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Active in 1937 through the early 1960s

**Giggleswick and Settle Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Giggleswick Brass Band and Settle Brass Band

**Giggleswick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s. The band amalgamated with the Settle Brass Band in 1952 to form the Giggleswick and Settle Band. In 1902 the band led the procession for the annual Band of Hope Festival in Long Preston - "The band played lively march music as the gatherers paraded through the village singing about the virtues of temperance." In some reminiscences of "Christmas in the Dales" there appears the following report - "...Brass bands toured the farms, with the bandsmen growing increasingly unsteady on their legs as they imbibed proffered drinks. The Giggleswick band travelled by train to Clapham

station, from where they trudged through snow on a tour of villages and farms. By now, sozzled, they could not hold their instruments, let alone play. Instead, the bandmen burst into song. Another time, bandmen sipped hot punch at the Flying Horse Shoe, just across the road from Clapham railway station. Some punch remained when they departed for the one-and-a-half mile walk to the village, so they poured it into a trombone and supped on t'road."

**Gilbertson's Works Brass Band** - Pontardawe, Glamorgan

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. The tinsplate works consisted of ten mills which, at one time, received an order for tin plates to roof the White House, in Washington, D.C. These plates were made under the patented process known as G.O.M. (Gilbertson's Own Method).

**Gilder Hall Brass Band** - Mirfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1905, secretary C.E. Martin. Gilder Hall Youth Club started life in 1898 when it was founded by Miss Annie Robinson of Sands House, Mirfield. From that time it was the centre of sporting and social activities solely for the boys of Mirfield up until 1963 when girls were admitted for the first time.

**Gildersome Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s, disbanding in 1903

**Gilfach Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1886 through to the early 1900s

**Gilfach Goch Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1870s to the 1920s. Conductor W.G. Patterson in 1900

**Gilfach Town Band**

See: *Gilfach Brass Band*

**Gill and Ward's Brass Band** - Oxford, Oxfordshire

See: *Messrs Gill and Ward's Brass Band*

**Gill Street Methodist Band** - Moston, Lancashire

Active in the early 1960s

**Gillamoore Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1857 and 1887

**Gillingham Band** - Dorset

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Gillingham Imperial Silver Band

**Gillingham Boys' Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Henry Allen, bandmaster in 1913

**Gillingham Brass Band**

See: *Gillingham Town Band*

**Gillingham Gospel Mission Band** - Kent

Founded in 1908

**Gillingham Imperial Silver Band** - Dorset

[previous name of current band] See: *Gillingham Band*

**Gillingham Town Band** - Dorset

Active from the 1850s. In 1861 they were engaged by the Gillingham Total Abstinence Society at a cost of 20 shillings plus tea. The Band was popular at the local Club days when the Friendly Societies, which were usually based at a Pub, held their annual parties called 'Club Days'. The largest one in Gillingham was the 'Red Lion Club.' They held their 'Do' on the second Wednesday in May and it was a tradition that all members planted their runner beans before going out. The Gillingham Town Band played an

important part in the proceedings. They started out at the top of Wyke, outside the Brewery at 10am. To open the proceedings, the Brewery brought out beer in wooden buckets. Those that didn't have mugs knelt down on the ground and drank out of the buckets! The Band then led a procession through the town, all the members carrying garlands of flowers. They were expected to play all day, and later for dancing in the evening. The band folded prior to or during WW1. A successor band was formed in 1927

**Gilmerton Brass Band** - Midlothian

Founded in 1874, disbanded in August 1906. The main reason for its demise was the retirement of its veteran bandmaster, Benjamin Sim, who had been at the helm, with varying intervals, since its formation. An attempt was made to reform the band in November 1906

**Gilnow Bleachworks Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1856

**Gilnow Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1852, 1858

**Gilsland Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1860s to the early 1900s. Conductor B. Smith in 1884

**Girls Guildry Band** - Garswood, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Trinity Girls Brass Band*

**Girton Village Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1860

**Girvan Brass Band (1)** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863

**Girvan Brass Band (2)** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Gisburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Gislingham Silver Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1885

**GKN Sankey's Castle Works Band**

See: *Sankey's Castle Works Band*

**Glaisdale and Lealholm Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1857 (26 players). Also known as Lealholm Bridge Brass Band

**Glaisdale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1853

**Glamis Brass Band** - Angus

See: *Earl of Strathmore's Brass Band*

**Glamorgan Artillery Band**

Active in the 1890s

**Glanaman Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1900s.

**Glan-rhyd Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1870s

**Glanton Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1851

- Glapwell Colliery Band** - Chesterfield, Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1930s. Secretary Henry Elwell in 1912. The colliery closed in 1974. Its first public outing was in February 1911.
- Glasburn Brass Band**  
Competed in Enderby Jackson's Sydenham Amateur contest at the Crystal Palace, in 1861, conducted by John Cockstot
- Glascote Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1880s to WW1.
- Glasgow (CWS) Band** - Lanarkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band*
- Glasgow Blind Asylum Band**  
See: *Royal Asylum for the Blind Brass Band*
- Glasgow City Gospel Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
[no information]
- Glasgow City Police Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Founded in 1881
- Glasgow Co-operative Bakery Band**  
See: *U.C.B.S. Prize Silver Band*
- Glasgow Corporation Gas Department Band**  
See: *Glasgow Gas Department Band*
- Glasgow Corporation Transport Car Works Band**  
See: *Glasgow Corporation Transport Silver Band*
- Glasgow Corporation Transport Silver Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Formed in 1938 as Glasgow Corporation Transport Car Works Band. Still active in the mid 1950s
- Glasgow Gas Department Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active from the 1920s to the 1950s. Conducted by John Peckham in 1927, took first place at a contest at Wishaw in 1933.
- Glasgow Iron and Steel Works Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s
- Glasgow Ironworks Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1860
- Glasgow Loco Works Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s. Won first place in a contest held 1 December 1917 at Waverley Market, Edinburgh, in aid of Harry Lauder's Fund for Scottish Sailors and Soldiers.
- Glasgow Locomotive Brass Band**  
See: *Glasgow Loco Works Band*
- Glasgow Naval Reserves Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1907
- Glasgow Royal Blind Asylum Band**  
See: *Royal Asylum for the Blind Brass Band*
- Glasgow Scottish Gas Band**  
See: *Glasgow Gas Department Band*
- Glasgow Society for Social Reform Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1861, conductor Richard John Adams



**Glasgow Sons of Temperance Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1920s

**Glasgow St Francis Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s, conductor W.T. Anderson

**Glasgow St Rollox Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active from 1862 through the 1860s

**Glasgow Thistle Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Glasgow Townhead Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1863 to 1867

**Glasgow Transport Band**  
See: *Glasgow Corporation Transport Silver Band*

**Glasgow United Masons Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1858

**Glasgow Western Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the early 1900s through to WW1.

**Glasinfryn Brass Band** - Bangor, Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1878

**Glass Houghton Coke and Chemical Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1919. Still active in 1938

**Glass Makers' Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1864 - associated with the Union of Flint Glass Makers

**Glaston Burgh Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in 1935

**Glastonbury (Combined Edge Tools) Band** - Somerset  
See: *Glastonbury Town Silver Band*

**Glastonbury Brass Band** - Somerset  
See: *Glastonbury Town Silver Band*

**Glastonbury Town Silver Band** - Somerset  
Founded in the 1840s, it continued through to the 1990s latterly as the Glastonbury (Combined Edge Tools) Band, before finally folding. It broadcast frequently on the "Western" radio station from 1936 to 1939. Conductor Lionel A. Leavey in 1938

**Glazebury Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Competed in a contest in Leigh in 1884. Still active in the 1930s. Performed a concert in Stanley Park, Blackpool in 1932 as Glazebury Prize Band.

**Glazebury Church Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Glazebury Band*

**Glazebury Prize Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Glazebury Band*

**Glazedale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Glaisdale Brass Band*

**Gleadless Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Gleadless Church Brass Band*

**Gleadless Church Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1850s to the 1890s

**Gleam of Sunshine Band**  
See: *Tranmere Gleam Silver Prize Band*

**Glebe Colliery Band** - Cleator, Northumberland

Active in 1859 when it won a contest at Cramlington. This was based at the Glebe iron ore mine at Cleator.

**Glebe Colliery Band** - Washington, Durham

See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*

**Gleed School Brass Band** - Spalding, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1970s

**Glemsford Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1890s to the early 1900s. Also known as Glemsford Wellington Band. A report in the Bury Free Press: August 4th 1894, Letters to the Editor - Sir, I have been looking at the bill concerning the Horticultural Show at Glemsford and am surprised to find Haverhill band has been engaged instead of preference to our own band , etc etc. As the matter stands now the money will be given to "foreigners" who neither know or care whether the men are starving or not. Glemsford band is comprised of hard working men, just now most of the men have been working short time and the money which is their lawful right would come as a great boon to them, etc etc. Yours truly, Pro Bono Publico. Then later in the year: November 24th 1894 - On Friday evening a public tea organized by the Glemsford Band took place at the Plough Inn, Glemsford when about 61 people responded to invitations, after full justice was done to "good things" a "free and easy" meeting took place. 1st item on the programme was an overture entitled "the sleep of Dianna" given by the Band in a pleasing style, Mr Lawrence gave a song "muddled and mixed", Mr Leggett gave "after the fall", G.Crick gave "simple little pimple", David Ward of Foxearth gave the "educated bloke" "Bush Ranger in Ausrtralia" by C. Twinn, a duet by Middleditch and Twinn "old miller", C.Sore "mona, Miss M. Twinn "a soldier minstrel", E. Sore gave "swinging to and fro", the chairman "strolling in the sands" and "mother kissed me", Mr E. Game, "the club house", Mr W. Farrance "e dunno where ee are", Mr Eli Watkinson "when Jone's ale was new", Mr Sore gave "success to the football club". The band played the National Anthem and all dispersed home. On 19th December 1901, in a letter to her friend Minnie, Emma Savage wrote: "The Glemsford band came the other night 10.30 we were all in bed we did not get up - they were so spiteful they banged on the knocker four times Nell barked but we refused to turn out of bed".

**Glemsford Wellington Brass Band**

See: *Glemsford Brass Band*

**Glen Magna Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Great Glen Brass Band*

**Glenboig Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Glenbuck Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1880s - linked to the coal mine in the area.

**Glenfield Adult School Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Glenfield Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1863

**Glengarnock Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863

**Glengarnock Iron Works Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1882.

**Glenrhondda Colliery Band** - Treherbert, Glamorgan

Formed in 1890 by miners in from the colliery. In 1917 it rehearsed at the Conservative Club, Station Street, Treherbert. Conductor Fred Prior in 1955, Evan Richards in 1965. In 1966 the colliery closed and the band was renamed Upper Rhondda Brass Band, then Treherbert and District Silver Band. Around 2013 it ceased being an all brass band and became a brass/wind ensemble.

**Glenrhondda Silver Band** - Treherbert, Glamorgan

See: *Glenrhondda Colliery Band*

**Glevum Brass** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Gloucester Excelsior Band*

**Glinton and Peakirk Brass Band**

See: *Peakirk cum Glinton Brass Band*

**Globe Tube Works Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1890s. The Globe Tube works were in operation from 1849 until the early 1880s, when the business failed. The works reopened in 1882 after being acquired by John Spencer, who owned the Crown Tube Works.

**Globe Tube Works Saxhorn Band**

See: *Globe Tube Works Band*

**Gloddaeth Amateur Brass Band** - Llandudno, Caernarfonshire

Formed in 1874, active through to the mid 1890s. Revived in 1900 following a fundraising campaign. Still active in 1950.

**Gloddaeth Silver Band**

See: *Gloddaeth Amateur Brass Band*

**Glodwick Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1873, dwindled somewhat in the early 1900s, but arose again in 1935 as the Glodwick Prize Band. During this time they became known as the Shamrock Band for a while, following an incident at a St Patrick's Day celebration at the Free Trade Hall together with the Besses o' th' Barn Band, they mistook the shamrock laid on the tables as decoration for water cress and proceeded to eat it, much to everyone's amusement. The Glodwick Band Club was raided by the police in 1949, presumably for drinking after hours, and the band had to sell the instruments to pay the fine. Through a house to house collection and other public subscriptions the band managed to buy back the instruments from Thomas Reynolds and Sons (Manchester) and in recognition changed their name to the Glodwick Public Prize Brass Band in 1950. The band was renamed again in 1955 to become the Lees and Glodwick Band. It amalgamated with the Cobden Chadwick Band (formerly Zion Methodists Band from Lees in Oldham) to form Oldham Brass 97, in 1997.

**Glodwick Prize Band** - Oldham, Lancashire

See: *Glodwick Band*

**Glodwick Public Prize Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire

See: *Glodwick Band*

**Glossop Catholic Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1853

**Glossop Gospel Union Mission Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J. Arnold

**Glossop Old Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1830 - Note: Merger of Glossop Original Band and Whitfield Rifle Volunteers Band in 1830

- Glossop Volunteers Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Gloster Brass Band** - Rotherhithe, Surrey  
Active in 1868, conductor Mr Ede
- Gloucester Amateur Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- Gloucester Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Gloucester Amateur Brass Band*
- Gloucester British Legion Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gloucester Excelsior Band*
- Gloucester British Legion Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active from the 1930s to the mid 1950s. A new Gloucester British Legion Band was formed in 1960 (later to become the current Gloucester Excelsior Band), so the original must have folded prior to that.
- Gloucester Carriage Works Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Gloucester Wagon Works Band*
- Gloucester City British Legion Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Gloucester British Legion Band*
- Gloucester Excelsior Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1956 - Former names: Gloucester British Legion Band, Glevum Brass
- Gloucester Mission Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1934
- Gloucester Railway Carriage and Wagon Company's Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Gloucester Wagon Works Band*
- Gloucester Street Mission Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1880, conductor John Cowan. Based at the Christian Mission in Gloucester Street,
- Gloucester Wagon Company Silver Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Gloucester Wagon Works Band*
- Gloucester Wagon Works Band** - Gloucestershire  
Formed in the 1860s, still active in 1929. Conductor J.G. Dyer in 1908
- Gloucester Working Men's Institute Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1889
- Gloucestershire Constabulary Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1990
- Glusburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1854
- Glyn Ceiriog Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
See: *Ceiriog Vale Band*
- Glyn Valley Band** - Glyn Ceiriog, Denbighshire  
Active in the 1900s, disbanding in 1907
- Glyncorrwg Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s
- Glyncorrwg Colliery Company's Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1874, conductor Mr Saunders

- Glynde and Beddingham Brass Band** - Sussex  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Lewes Glynde & Beddingham Brass*
- Glyndyfrdwy Brass Band** - Merioneth  
 Active in 1884
- Glynn Vivian Miners' Mission Brass Band** - Aylesham, Kent  
 Active from the 1920s through to the late 1940s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s
- Glynn Vivian Miners' Mission Brass Band** - Deal, Kent  
 Active in the 1930s
- Glynneath and District Silver Band** - Glyn Neath, Glamorgan  
 [current band] - Founded in 1888 - Former names: Curtis & Harvey Brass Band
- Glynneath District Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
 The band was originally formed in 1888. Known as the Curtis & Harvey brass band. Practices were held at the School House in Dinas Terrace, Pontneddfechan. In 1893, the band later transferred to Glynneath, where it prospered until it folded in 2007. A successor band was formed in 2014.
- Godalming and Borough Band** - Surrey  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Godalming Band*
- Godalming and District Silver Band** - Surrey  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Godalming Band*
- Godalming Band** - Surrey  
 [current band] - Founded in 1937 - Former names: Godalming and Borough Band, Godalming & District Silver Band
- Godalming Borough Band** - Surrey  
 Active in 1905.
- Godalming Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active from around 1843 (bandmaster Mr. Woodnott until 1867 at least). Conductor George Blackman in 1869. Still active in the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1937.
- Godalming Foresters' Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active in 1864
- Goddard Memorial Mission Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
 Active from the early 1900s to 1914, based at the Mission in Fagg Street.
- Godley Original Brass Band** - Cheshire  
 Active from the late 1860s to the 1880s. Conductor Thomas Clough in 1883. Also known as Newton and Godley Brass Band
- Godmanchester Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire  
 Founded in July 1860 by Miss Baumgartner who sought subscriptions to fund the band, conductor Edward Martin. By September that year 11 players were performing and more funds were being solicited. First public performance in October 1860. Active through the 1860s. Uniform in 1861 included blue military caps with gold bands.
- Godmanchester Town Silver Band** - Huntingdonshire  
 Active in the 1950s and 1960s
- Godolphin Teetotal Band** - Cornwall  
 Records of engagements in the local press can only be found for Helston and Penzance in 1855. It is doubtful that much else was carried out.

**Golberdon Band** - Cornwall

Golberdon - a village North West of Callington boasted a band that is known to have existed from c1860 to c1879. A quote from the Cornish Times of 1862 reads:- "The enlivening strains of the Golberdon Band quite counteracted the weeping humour of the skies." What can one say after that?

**Golborne Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1950

**Golborne Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1867, folded in 1914. A successor band was formed in 1922.

**Golborne Public Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1922, folded in 1939. A successor band was formed in 1950.

**Golcar Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: Golcar Youth Band

**Golcar Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1867 to the 1880s

**Golcar Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s to 1940s. A successor Golcar (Youth) Band was formed around 1979.

**Golcar Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Golcar Band*

**Golden Valley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1900

**Goldenhill Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1868, 1869

**Gold's Hill Saxhorn Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire

See: *Goldshill Ironworks Band*

**Goldshill Brass Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire

See: *Goldshill Ironworks Band*

**Goldshill Ironworks Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s to 1900. In 1860 when it won 3rd place at the Crystal Palace contest, conductor J. Blandford. Later known as Gold's Hill Saxhorn Band. Conductor W. Shepherd in 1886. It was still active in 1899. Linked to James Bagnall's Ironworks at Goldshill.

**Goldshill Town Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire

See: *Goldshill Ironworks Band*

**Goldsmith Street Industrial School Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1904. The school was established in Goldsmith Street (now Stukeley Street) in 1895 as a Day Industrial School. A boys' brass band was established, with the caretaker taking on the role of bandmaster.

**Goldsmith's Brass Band** - Trowbridge, Wiltshire

See: *Messrs J. and W. Goldsmith's Brass Band*

**Goldthorpe British Legion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Goldthorpe Ceramia Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yorkshire Main Colliery Band*

**Goldthorpe Public Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s

**Goldthorpe Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853

**Goldthorpe Wesley Hall Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1933

**Goliath Training Ship Band** - Grays, Essex

See: *Training Ship Goliath Brass Band*

**Golspie Brass Band** - Sutherland

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Gomersal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s.

**Gomersal Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Spen Valley Brass Band*

**Gomersal Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Spen Valley Brass Band*

**Gomersal Mariner's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in December 1857, conductor John Brooke

**Gomersal Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1942. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1962. Still active in 1979

**Good Samaritan Brass Band** - Leamington Spa, Warwickshire

Active in 1868

**Goodinge Road Temperance Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Active in the 1890s

**Goodshaw Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *BMP Europe Goodshaw Band*

**Goodshaw Crawshawbooth Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *BMP Europe Goodshaw Band*

**Goodshaw Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *BMP Europe Goodshaw Band*

**Goodshawfold Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *BMP Europe Goodshaw Band*

**Goodwick Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Goodwick Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire

Formed in 1911, disbanded around the start of World War 2. From memories of Dai Miles - "Once upon a time, at the turn of the 20th century, in a small community in West Wales called Goodwick, there was a brass band. This group of stalwarts, many of whom had come to the area from Neyland when the Harbour was built, was in the charge of Mr Lake, the headmaster of the local school. Mr Lake and his brother worked in Emlyn Colliery in Ammanford and he played solo cornet in the Colliery Band. He first came here to work in Puncheston School and then became headmaster of the newly built Goodwick School and either took over, or formed the Band. Practices were held in a corrugated zinc hut at the old laundry cottages (long since gone) in Dyffryn . There was no electricity then and the hut was lit by oil lamps on the walls. If the practice was really good the flames would shoot up high and the euphoniums could easily put all the lamps out! Sometimes they used battery lamps but they cost 4s. 6d. each and 4d. for the batteries so there wasn't too much practice in winter! Mr Lake was a hard taskmaster and he would continually admonish them - "you play like a circus band"! The instruments

were old, needed new corks, and “clicked” as they were played. “You’re banging your instruments against your buttons again!” - a reference to their uniform, which was the G.W.R. jacket and a white paper band put round the hat. In 1914, when War broke out, the Band held a meeting and decided that those of the right age should join up as a Band. They did this and from Kinwell Park in North Wales they were transferred to France, back from the Front Line, where they were used as escorts. One particular day, it seems, they were having a quiet smoke between duties, when an open car came along with an officer and his driver. “Put your instruments in the car and come with me” the officer said. He gave them each a rifle and marched them away. They were scattered then to different regiments. At home the members left behind continued the practices and the Band re-formed after the War. Dai Miles, an old Band member, the source of all these tales, joined the Band in the 1920's and bought his cornet in a pawn shop in Bute Street, Cardiff for £1. Billy Jeff and Jack Evans did the repair work on the instruments. Vincent Johns was President of the Band. At Christmastime the Bandsmen would love to play outside his house. They would have beer brought out to them whilst Mr Lake would be invited in for a swig of something stronger. Vincent Johns would give £1 or £2 for the Band and would then ask them to play “one more piece and give it some drum”! The Band played everywhere. There were lots of sports and carnivals and there were ox roasts in the football field. One year at the ox roasting, they were raising money for St. Mary's Church Hall, which was being built then and they were paid £24.0.0. Then they played at Lower Town Carnival and Sports and were paid £24.0.0 for that as well! There used to be Carnival and Sports at the top of Stop and Call Hill. The Band would form by the Cunard (the fish and chip shop now) and would march up the hill, and then, despite exhausted lungs, would play for a while at the top. John Clement Bowen played the big drum for a bit. But he wasn't very tall and couldn't see over the top too well. One day they were leading the Carnival up Cambria Square to play there for a while, but John Clement Bowen went down Main Street instead, beating the drum as he went and someone had to run after him and haul him back. Their favourite march was the “Washington Greys” and they knew “The Chieftain” so well they could nearly play it without music! In fact, that was the piece they played the last time they ever marched in Goodwick - and also the piece the present Band played the first time they marched through Goodwick. They were great on dance music. They played waltzes, foxtrots, you name it, for the dances in the drill hall and the dances held on the green by the tennis courts on the Parrog on summer evenings. In 1935 they were practising day and night to get ready for the National Eisteddfod that was coming to Fishguard in 1936. They were to lead the Bards and Druids and Danny Jones, a cornet player, was to play the long trumpet. The snag was, he had to ride a horse whilst playing the trumpet. Llewellyn, the Grocer's horse - of a fearsome reputation - was elected to be the trusty steed! Danny Jones, clad in a green suit and boots and blowing the long trumpet, could not ride a horse and so was very frightened, Lewis Rennish who was leading the horse, in spite of a wide vocabulary and a big stick, could not control the poor terrified creature. “

### **Goodwins Silver Band**

See: *West Bromwich Borough Band (2)*

### **Goole Borough Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1879 as Goole Town Band and Goole Brass Band. Conductor in 1889 was G. Duprey. Goole Times - Friday, September 7, 1951: “With its traditions reaching almost 70 years into the past, Goole Borough Band, facing an uncertain future, is making a



determined effort to recapture its past glories and to add more successes to its championship achievements which began in 1903 and ended in 1920 with a list of 45 prizes, 34 medals and four challenge cups." The band was "revived" in 1898, according to a note in the *Goole Times* of 7th October 1898. It disbanded sometime in the late 1970s early 1980s.

**Goole Brass Band**

See: *Goole Borough Band*

**Goole South Street Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s through to WW1. Conductor G. Perret in 1902

**Goole Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1848

**Goole Town Band**

See: *Goole Borough Band*

**Goose Eye Brass Band**

See: *Gooseye Newsholme Band*

**Goose Green Brass Band** - near Wigan, Lancashire

Active in 1907

**Goose Green Working Men's Brass Band** - near Wigan, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Gooseye Newsholme Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1852

**Gorbals Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1852

**Gordon Boys Home Brass Band** - Fareham, Hampshire

Founded in 1906, conductor A. Martin

**Gordon Boys Home Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active from 1898 through to the 1930s. The home was founded in 1885. It supported and trained 45 boys for industrial and other work. The boys were 10-16 years old and wore a uniform.

**Gordon Boys Home Brass Band** - Woking, Surrey

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Gordon Boys Orphanage Brass Band** - Dover, Kent

Active in the 1900s. The Gordon Boys' Orphanage and Home in Dover was founded in 1885 by local philanthropist Thomas Blackman. It was named after General Charles George Gordon who had recently died in the siege of Khartoum, and was one of several boys' homes to commemorate him in this way. The home was located at 56 St James' Street, Dover. In addition to the brass band there was also a bagpipe band

**Gordon Institute Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1886, conductor D. Hughes - based at the Gordon Institute Boys' Club (Gordon Working Lads' Institute) on Stanley Road.

**Gordon Memorial Home (for Destitute Boys) Brass Band**

See: *Gordon Boys Home Brass Band (Nottingham)*

**Gordon Street Mission Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Gordon Unity Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s to 1914. J. Dean conductor in 1904

- Gordon Working Lads' Institute Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1888, bandmaster David Hughes
- Gordon's Baskerville Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
See: *Baskerville Brass Band*
- Gore Street Mission Hall Brass Band** - Gorton, Lancashire  
Active in 1887
- Gorebridge and Arniston Band** - Midlothian  
Formed in 1909 by the merger of Gorebridge Brass Band and Arniston Brass Band.  
Active through to the 1930s
- Gorebridge and District Band**  
See: *Gorebridge and Arniston Band*
- Gorebridge Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active from the 1860s until it merged with the Arniston Brass Band in 1909 to form the Gorebridge and Arniston Band
- Gorgie Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Formed in March 1891. A. Foster conductor in 1901. Still active in 1905
- Goring and Streatley British Legion Band**  
See: *Goring Brass Band (Oxfordshire)*
- Goring Brass Band** - Goring-by-Sea, Sussex  
Active in 1889 and the early 1890s
- Goring Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Formed before WW1. As a Division 1 Band, its standard was very high. After the war, the Band re-started in 1925 and played on until 1939, but as war was imminent it proved impossible to carry on.
- Gorleston Silver Band** - Great Yarmouth, Norfolk  
Formed in 1954
- Gorley Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1861, 1864
- Gornal Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1862
- Gornalwood Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Gornalwood Saxhorn Band*
- Gornalwood Excelsior Village Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1930, when it performed at Himley Park in August
- Gornalwood Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s
- Gorse Hill Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the early 1880s, conductor Mr Wager in 1881, G. Harding in 1891
- Gorse Hill Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Gorseinon Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in from the early 1900s to the late 1940s
- Gorseinon Institute Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Gorseinon Brass Band*
- Gorseinon Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Gorseinon Brass Band*

**Gorton and Openshaw Old Band** - Lancashire

See: *Gorton Silver Band*

**Gorton Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Gorton Silver Band*

**Gorton Foresters' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the mid-1860s, conductor Mr Purseglove in 1870. In August that year the band, together with their wives and sweethearts, had a picnic to Penistone, Yorkshire. Leaving at 7 o'clock and arriving at 9 o'clock, they partook of a good breakfast and went to the Hyleswine Feast, after which they returned to the Crown Inn, Penistone. After dinner the band played some of the popular music of the day.

**Gorton Foundry Band** - Lancashire

Active through the 1880s, conductor G. Harker in 1889. Based at Beyer Peacock Ltd, Gorton, manufacturer of locomotive engines (some 8,000 were built there between 1855 and 1966)

**Gorton Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1868. Associated with the "Fruitful Vine Lodge, No. 861"

**Gorton L.N.E.R. Works Band** - Lancashire

See: *L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band*

**Gorton Silver Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1857. Bill Booth (senior) was solo horn player until his death in 1946. His son, Bill Booth, took over the solo horn until his untimely death in 1948. Folded in the late 1990s, and the remainder merged with the Reddish Prize Band. Also known as Gorton and Openshaw Old Band

**Gorton St. James Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1893

**Gorton Tank Works Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1857, conductor J. Melling. Consisted of 25 workmen employed at the depot of the Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway

**Gosforth Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1851. Conductor H. Huddart in 1865

**Gosforth Temperance Brass Band** - Cumberland

Founded in 1864, instructor Mr Richardson

**Gospel Blue Ribbon Mission Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active in 1904, conductor T. Lee

**Gospel Temperance Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1885, conducted by G. Everson

**Gosport and Fareham Mission Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s

**Gosport Foresters' Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1863, conductor H. Alley.

**Gosport Juvenile Foresters' Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1868, conductor H. Alley.

**Gosport Silver Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1968 as the brainchild of Alderman John Fairhall, a former Mayor of Gosport. While on holiday in Austria he heard a town band and thought that it would enhance the image of Gosport if it too had a town band. He put this idea to Gosport Borough Council, which supported him unanimously and made available a loan of £5,000 for the purchase

of instruments, music and uniforms. The council also provided a rehearsal room. The Band's founder Director of Music was Cecil Brown, a retired Royal Marines Commissioned Bandmaster, who led and directed the Band until 1982. He was succeeded by Albert Hall, also a former Royal Marines Bandmaster. Albert was succeeded as Musical Director in April 2005 by Derek Jones and in September 2007 he was succeeded by Richard Sharp. In its early years the Band pioneered music on the Solent, playing on the Isle of Wight ferries on Sunday afternoons while they cruised from Portsmouth to Southampton Water. It was a feature of the welcoming scene when Princess Alexandria visited the town. When the Golden Jubilee of Gosport attaining borough status was celebrated, the Band shared the platform with the Central Band of the Royal Air Force at a gala garden party. It merged with Solent Concert Band in 2011 to form Gosport Solent Brass.

**Gosport Solent Brass** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 2011 - Note: Formed by the merger of Gosport Silver Band and Solent Concert Band

**Gosport Star of Hope Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1870

**Gossages Soap Works Band** - Widnes, Lancashire

Active in 1882 when they played at Liverpool football ground, and in 1892 when they competed in an Eisteddfodd at St Helens. Still active up to WW1.

**Gotham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1861 to 1867

**Gotham Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Goudhurst Brass Band** - Kent

In existence in 1887, probably founded by George Reeves in that year, as the Kilndown and Goudhurst Brass Band. By 1900, this had become the Goudhurst Brass Band and by 1926 the Goudhurst Prize Brass Band. It was reformed after WW1 with conductor Mr Hinkley. It was still in existence in 1935.

**Goudhurst Prize Brass Band**

See: *Goudhurst Brass Band*

**Gouldsmith's Brass Band** - Trowbridge, Wiltshire

See: *Messrs J. and W. Goldsmith's Brass Band*

**Gourock Burgh Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1930s

**Gourock Trades Band**

See: *Gourock Burgh Band*

**Govan Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Govan Burgh Band** - Lanarkshire

Founded in 1902. Active to the 1950s

**Govan Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in from the 1850s to the 1870s

**Govan Police Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Govanhill Temperance Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in 1909

**Govanhill Wesleyan Band**

See: *Govanhill Temperance Band*

**Gowkshill Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active from the early 1870s into the 1880s. Conductor Abraham Moffat around 1870

**Goxhill Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1860, conductor F.L. Fields in 1862

**Goyt Valley Brass Band** - Furness Vale, Derbyshire

[current band]

**Graddfa Secondary School Youth Band** - Ystrad Mynach, Glamorgan

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Grade and Ruan Minor Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1900s. Mr Pratt conductor in 1906

**Graffham Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1907

**Grafton Street Industrial School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1882 through to 1914. Also known as Holy Trinity Industrial School

**Grampound Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1859 through to 1935. They changed their title after WW1 to Grampound British Legion Band. It does not appear to have attended any contests. The only conductors names discovered are Charles Mannell in 1899 and Percy Hill in 1935.

**Grampound Town Band**

See: *Grampound Brass Band*

**Granborough Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1885 when it played at a Liberal meeting in Winslow. Conductor G. Dytum in 1905. Still active in 1909

**Grandborough Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1887

**Grandholm Brass Band** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

Active from 1860 to the 1930s. Attached to the Grandholm woolen mills at Woodside, Aberdeen. In 1859 Crombie's took over the Grandholm mill of Leys, Masson & Co. Conductors: William Cameron in 1879-81, Alex Hutton (Hadden?) in 1883, John Davidson in 1889, P. Tocher in 1893, John Rae in 1902, John L. Melvin in 1906-1924. Secretary Alexander Bowman in 1883. Also known as Woodside Brass Band, Woodside and Grandholm Band

**Grandholm Works Brass Band**

See: *Grandholm Brass Band*

**Grane Brass Band** - Haslingden Grane, Lancashire

Active in 1887

**Grange Brass Band** - Grange-Over-Sands,

See: *Grange-over-Sands Brass Band*

**Grange Brass Band** - Harwich, Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Harwich Royal British Legion Brass Band*

**Grange Brass Band** - Harwich, Essex

Active in the late 1960s

**Grange Brass Band** - Spondon,

See: *Spondon Grange Brass Band*

**Grange Brass Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Bo'ness and Carriden Brass Band*

**Grange Instrumental Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Bo'ness and Carriden Brass Band*

**Grange Iron Works Brass Band** - Belmont, Durham

One member was Alfred Agincourt Wright, who was presented with a silver cornet by the band inscribed with his name, the band name, and "in recognition of his valuable services rendered to that band". The iron works closed in the 1920s so it is presumed the band folded then.

**Grange Moor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1854 - Note: Originally formed as a brass and wind band in 1854 as the pit band for the Shuttle Eye Colliery, which eventually closed in 1976.

**Grange School Brass Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire

Active in the 1970s

**Grange Silver Band** - Harwich, Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Harwich Royal British Legion Brass Band*

**Grangemouth Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1854. Secretary James C. Grassom in 1888

**Grange-over-Sands Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s

**Grangepans Brass Band (1)** - West Lothian

Active from the 1850s. Folded in 1873, the instruments being sold to the new Armadale Brass Band established that year

**Grangepans Brass Band (2)** - West Lothian

Formed in 1900

**Grangepans Instrumental Band (1)**

See: *Grangepans Brass Band (1)*

**Grangepans Instrumental Band (2)** - West Lothian

Active in 1884, presumably folding before the next Grangepans Brass Band forms in 1900

**Grangetown Steelworks Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s through to WW1. J. Gardener bandmaster in 1904

**Grangewood Silver Band**

Formed in the early 1900s. Later known as East London Brass Ensemble, East Ham Borough Band, East Ham Silver Band in 1946, when it was based at the local Technical College which employed the Musical Director as lecturer. Renamed East Ham Borough Band in the 1950's players were attracted from further afield, leading to considerable improvement. By 1958 it was setting significantly new standards for the area and qualified for the National Finals for the first time. Subsequently the Band participated in the finals on numerous occasions gaining two top six placings. Reorganisation of the London Boroughs in 1965, which amalgamated East Ham, West Ham and North Woolwich, led to the name being changed once more to the Newham Band - in early years of the change being known as Newham (East Ham) Band. It amalgamated with the Aveley Band in 1995.

**Granite City Brass** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1997 - Former names: UDI Aberdeen City Band (1997-2003) - Note: Formed in 1997 from the merger of UDI Brass and Aberdeen City Band

- Grantham Albion Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1885, conducted by W.W. Leak, still active in 1934
- Grantham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1851. Conductor G. Hall and Secretary J. Rear in 1856. In 1861 it changed name to Grantham Volunteer Rifle Band
- Grantham C.T.S. Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1882, secretary Mr Hall
- Grantham Concert Band**  
See: *Grantham Town Band*
- Grantham Excelsior Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1904
- Grantham Gospel Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1905
- Grantham Town Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active from the 1930s through to around 2000
- Grantham United Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the early 1860s. Obtained new caps in 1862 with white plumes. Presumed to have folded prior to 1868 when a successor band was formed
- Grantham United Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire  
Formed in early 1868, with 13 players, conductor Mr Jerrett, practicing at the Black Dog pub in Watergate
- Grantham Volunteers Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active around 1900
- Grantley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1859, 1861
- Grantown Brass Band** - Morayshire  
Active in 1869
- Grappenhall Public Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1930s
- Grappenhall Subscription Band**  
See: *Grappenhall Public Band*
- Grasmere Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in the 1880s, taking part in the Grasmere Rushbearing festival, through to the 1900s. Conductor R. Birkett in 1904
- Grassington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1850s to the 1900s
- Grasslot Colliery Band** - Whitehaven, Cumberland  
Active in the 1960s
- Grasslot Miners Welfare Brass Band**  
See: *Grasslot Colliery Band*
- Grassmarket Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian  
Active in the early 1900s. Renamed City of Edinburgh Band in 1928. Still active in 1964. Probably folded in the early 1980s.
- Grassmarket Mission Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian  
Active in the 1900s to 1920s
- Grassmarket Silver Band**  
See: *Grassmarket Brass Band*

**Gravel Hole and High Crompton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Gravel Hole Wesleyan Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Gravel Lane Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1896

**Gravel Lane Methodist Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Founded in the 1930's by William Bowen M.B.E (The honour was received for his work with poor people.) The band competed at the Crystal Palace in the 1930's and in 1956 won the regional contest and travelled to London to compete in the National Finals. Competed in the Senior Trophy, in 1962, conducted by H. Johnson. They also won several local contests including Buxton and Belle Vue. The band broke up in 1971. Also known as Manchester Y.M.C.A. Band

**Gravenhurst Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Formed in the 1880s, active through to the 1920s. It was reformed after WW1 in 1921 by the Rector (three of its members had been lost during the War). Harry Fisher conductor in 1923. The band in 1890 consisted of H. Smith (conductor/cornet), J. Dennis, R. Redman, F. Goodall, H. Redman, E. Smith (cornets), G. Goodall (drummer), C. Goodall, W. Redman (horns), D. Fisher, F. Fisher (baritones), G. Fisher (euphonium), G. Redman, H. Parish (basses)

**Graves' Amateur Brass Band** - Rickmansworth,

Active in 1889

**Gravesend Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1860s. Conductor R.J. Marke in 1898. Also known as Gravesend Town Band. Had some success in the Crystal Palace championships in the early part of the century. Merged with Gravesend Temperance Band in the early 1900s. It added woodwind instruments and converted to a military style band some time after 1918. Still active as a concert/wind band - Gravesend Borough Band

**Gravesend Customs Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1864

**Gravesend Ragged School Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the late 1850s. The school was founded in 1851 by the town missionary, Mr Henson only to close in 1854. A new ragged school was started in 1855, moving to Clifton Road, West Street in 1862. The band was reformed in 1862, conducted by C. Pannell. Still active in 1864

**Gravesend Silver Band** - Kent

See: *Gravesend Brass Band*

**Gravesend St John Ambulance Band** - Kent

Active in the 1930s

**Gravesend Temperance Brass Band (1)** - Kent

Active in 1867. Assumed to have folded prior to the successor band forming in 1886

**Gravesend Temperance Brass Band (2)** - Kent

Founded in 1886. Merged with Gravesend Brass Band in the early 1900s.

**Gravesend Town Band**

See: *Gravesend Brass Band*



**Gray and Davison Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1886, conductor Frank R. Howell, members were employees of Gray & Davison, organ manufacturers in Duke Street. Disbanded in 1891, the members forming the Liverpool City Unity Band

**Graylingwell Hospital Band** - Chichester, Sussex

Active in the 1900s. The hospital was built in 1897 as an asylum for the mentally ill.

**Grays and District Temperance Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Grays Town Band*

**Grays Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1850s and through to the 1890s.

**Grays P.S.A. Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Grays Sons of Temperance Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Grays Town Band*

**Grays Temperance Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Grays Town Band*

**Grays Town Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1888 - Former names: Grays Sons of Temperance Band, Grays and District Temperance Band (1905-1906), Grays Temperance Band (1906-1950), Thurrock Silver Band, Grays Temperance Band (to 1987)

**Grays Town Band** - Essex

Active in 1888. A successor band started life in 1892 as the Grays Temperance Band, ultimately becoming the current Grays Town Band in 1987

**Grayshott Brass Band** - Hampshire

George Bernard Shaw was one of the founders of the Grayshott Brass Band in 1899 which, the Grayshott Magazine remarked, "could be a decided acquisition." The band continued for some years and regularly performed at the local flower shows, garden parties, Band of Mercy shows and similar events. In a list of the initial subscribers, of whom there were 40 subscribing a total of £40. 17. 6., Shaw appears as giving £10. Whether this Band ever scaled musical heights may be doubted, since, when four years later land was given for the purpose of building a Village Hall, the donor inserted, perhaps in order to protect owners of adjacent property, a restrictive covenant prohibiting any 'band practice' on the land. In 1904 the band were permitted to play at the new recreation ground at the junction of Headley and Crossways Roads, if they so wished, not more than two evenings in any week.

**Greasbrough Alliance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Greasbrough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1858 to the 1930s

**Greasbrough Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Greasley Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1857

**Great Ancoats Brass Band**

See: *Great Ancoats Wesleyan Brass Band*

**Great Ancoats Temperance Band**

See: *Great Ancoats Wesleyan Brass Band*

- Great Ancoats Wesleyan Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s
- Great Ayton Adult School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active during WW1
- Great Ayton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active from the 1870s to the 1890s and also in the 1920s and 1930s. George Grierson conductor in 1888
- Great Baddow Brass Band** - Essex  
Formed in 1894, conductor C. English. Active through the 1890s to WW1.
- Great Barford Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1887
- Great Barr Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1892
- Great Bedwyn Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1863, 1887
- Great Bentley Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1894. Also active in the 1930s. Bandmaster in 1934/36 was James Naylor and 1937/8 was JW Smith.
- Great Bentley Homeguard Band** - Essex  
Active during WW2
- Great Bookham Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1890s. Mr Miller conductor in 1902. Merged with Leatherhead Town Brass Band in 1911 to form Bookham United Silver Band, which subsequently folded in 1916
- Great Bourton Adult School Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Sydney Knight
- Great Bradley Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Great Brickhill Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s
- Great Bridge Amateur Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Great Bridge Brass Band*
- Great Bridge Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1857. Conductor Mr Tivvey in 1863. Still active in 1868
- Great Bridge Havelock Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Great Bridge Temperance Band*
- Great Bridge Havelock Temperance Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Great Bridge Temperance Band*
- Great Bridge Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the mid-1860s to the 1870s
- Great Bridge Victoria Tube Works Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1862, competing in a contest at Wolverhampton
- Great Bridgewater Street Mission Brass Band**  
Bridgewater Street Mission Brass Band
- Great Broughton Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1950s
- Great Broughton Rechabites Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s through to the 1930s

### **Great Central and Metropolitan Band - London**

Founded in 1900. When Gladstone Park opened in 1901, brass bands were enjoying a period of great popularity. The group chosen to play at the park was the Great Central and Metropolitan Railwaymen's Band; a joining together of musicians from one-time rival bands. Initially the Local Government Board in Whitehall would not permit the band to be paid, so for some years the musicians were allowed to charge the public for chairs and programmes. Later the rules were changed and the band got a seasonal fee of £35 for the Sunday recitals, which was increased to a £50 when Thursday (early closing) performances were added by 1909. They retained their right to sell programs and charge for chairs. So popular were the concerts that the Council offered little resistance to the band's suggestion that a proper bandstand should be provided. On 28th February 1905 Robson was instructed to prepare a plan and estimates for a covered bandstand, and the next month his costing of £176 was agreed. The resulting rustic thatched structure, which was placed a little to the east of the baths, had all the hallmarks of a Robson special. In 1912 it was insured for £325 against fire. As early as 1910 the Council was considering providing electric lighting to the bandstand but it was not until 1945 that it was agreed that this should go ahead at a cost of £149. Many special events were supported. In 1911 the band gave a special recital to honour the coronation of George V (for which they were paid £15), a 'massed band concert' was permitted on Sunday 4th June from 3pm to 5pm, and in 1915 they organised dances on one Thursday evening per month during the season. The joint band entered many competitions, such as the annual Crystal Palace contests from 1904 onwards, eventually becoming the 'Great Central and Metropolitan Railwaymen's (Silver) Prize Band'. At the 1923 competition they won second prize. The band were to be regular performers at Gladstone Park until 1920 when they refused the Council's offer of £50 for Sunday concerts for the season and requested £6 6s per performance. The Council did not agree and engaged the National Union of Railwaymen (Neasden No.1 Branch) Orphan Fund Band in their place. In 1924 the Great Central and Metropolitan Silver Prize band were approached again but stated they were not prepared to do Sunday evening performances as they had a contract with London County Council (possibly for appearing in Queen's Park). Perhaps they had become too grand. By 1928 the birds had taken most of the thatch off the bandstand. The Council's Outdoor Committee recommended that it be tiled, as re-thatching costs would be prohibitive. The band provided music at the S. Smith and Sons (M.A.) Limited's Sports at Dollis Hill, Neasden in August 1923, and again in 1925. The band was still active in the early 1960s.

### **Great Central and Metropolitan Railwaymen's (Silver) Prize Band**

See: *Great Central and Metropolitan Band*

### **Great Central Gas Works Brass Band - Bow Common, Middlesex**

Active in 1862

### **Great Central Hall Brass Band - Bermondsey, Surrey**

Active in 1909

### **Great Central Railway Band - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1900s

### **Great Central Railway Band - London**

See: *Great Central and Metropolitan Band*

- Great Central Railway Band** - Northamptonshire  
Based at Woodford Halse, which stood on the GCR main line. Active from the early 1900s to after WW1.
- Great Cheverell Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1950s
- Great Chishill Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s
- Great Clifton Prize Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s to WW1 - conductor at one time was John Gilchrist. Also active in the 1950s and 1960s.
- Great Eastern Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s. In 1888 the band owed £16 for instruments and was desirous to obtain new uniforms at a cost of another £20.
- Great Eastern Railway Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire  
See: *Cambridge Railway Band*
- Great Eastern Railway Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Active in the 1860s, conductor Mr Dunt
- Great Eastern Railway Cambridge Silver Band**  
See: *Cambridge Railway Band*
- Great Eastern Railway Works Band** - Stratford, Essex  
Active in the late 1850s to the 1920s. Conductor R. Hirst in 1860, W.J. Lancaster in 1895, H. Neale in 1919
- Great Easton Coronation Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Founded in 1901. W.F. Haddon bandmaster and secretary in its early years. Also active after WW1 in the 1920s and 1930s.
- Great Ellingham Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Great Glen Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active from 1867 to the 1930s. Also known as Glen Magna Brass Band
- Great Gonerby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1890s. Bandmaster A. Holmes and secretary W. Cleaver in 1897
- Great Harwood Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in 1853 through into the 1860s, folding before the 1880s
- Great Harwood Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
See: *Great Harwood Subscription Band*
- Great Harwood Subscription Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1882, conductor T. Taylor. In 1888 it was described as “.... is a good one, and whenever it appears in public it has none of that 'brassiness' of tone so distressing to those who have a sensitive diaphragm”. In 1893 it won first prize at a contest in Skelmersdale (other bands placed were: 2nd, Leyland Subscription Band; 3rd, Ratcliffe Public Band; 4th, Pemberton Old Band; 5th, White-well Vale Band). Still active through to WW1.
- Great Harwood Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Great Harwood Subscription Band*

### **Great Holland Brass Band**

Active in the early 1900s. Renamed Kirkby Cross and Great Holland Brass Band a little later. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

### **Great Horkesley Band**

Active in the 1890s, but did not reform after the Great War.

### **Great Horton Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the early 1860s to the mid-1870s.

### **Great Horton Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1877 and, over the next 10 years, attended 40 contests winning 30 prizes, value £300. Conducted by G.F. Birkenshaw at the Barnoldswick Contest in 1886. Still active in the early 1900s.

### **Great Horwood Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active from the early 1890s to the 1950s. Conductors R.King in 1893, Reuben Walker in 1902

### **Great Horwood Silver Band - Buckinghamshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1887

### **Great Houghton Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in the 1870s

### **Great Houghton Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1892. Active in the 1890s

### **Great James Street Mission Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1891

### **Great Leighs Temperance Band - Essex**

Active in 1906-1908

### **Great Lever Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1870

### **Great Massingham Crown Brass Band**

See: *Great Massingham Silver Band*

### **Great Massingham Silver Band - Norfolk**

Active in the early 1900s, when they were invited to play at Sandringham by the king after he heard them playing in Kings Lynn. Bandmaster was George Frederick Fish. Also known as Great Massingham Crown Band. The band was still active in the 1920s, when it rehearsed at the Rose and Crown Inn.

### **Great Milton Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in the 1840s and the 1880s

### **Great Missendenn Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in 1844

### **Great Northern Brass Band - Peterborough, Northamptonshire**

Founded in 1856, 24 performers all employees in the locomotive department of the railway, conductor T. Rayner

**Great Northern Loco Band - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding), ## 6 ##**, Reported playing tunes around Doncaster at Christmas time in 1852 in a "very neat uniform". , ## 7 ##, Doncaster Loco Band

### **Great Northern Railway Brass Band**

See: *Peterborough Great Northern Railway Locomotive Brass Band*

**Great Northern Railway Plant Works Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Also known as the Doncaster Plant Works Band. Formed in 1856 and conducted by George Birkinshaw (father of the famous Black Dyke cornet player and celebrated by William Rimmer's march "Viva Birkinshaw!"). Its original composition was two sopranos, six cornopeans, two tenor horns, one baritone, three trombones, two ophicleides, one Eb bass bombardon, and percussion. The band won many prizes between 1859 and 1861 and played many arrangements and compositions of marches and waltzes by Birkinshaw. Including 3rd prize at Lincoln on 6 June 1859, and 1st prize, gaining £15, at Peterborough on 5 September 1859 (where the bandsmen had to "defend themselves physically against disappointed rivals afterwards!), and 2nd prize at the contest at the Botanical Gardens in Sheffield in 1860. Renamed Doncaster Volunteer Band in 1859. Birkinshaw introduced his own brass band compositions in concerts given out of doors in the town: Festive Polka, Rouse Polka, the galop Spring Flowers, Pas Redouble, at least one march, a cornet trio and an arrangement for three cornets of "Lift Thine Eyes" from Elijah. In one 1859 Doncaster concert Birkinshaw conducted Jullien's Mary Ann Polka and French Quadrille. Birkinshaw left the band in 1865, but it continued successfully under the batons of J Redfern, S Wilson and Mr Salmon, until it disbanded when the Volunteers were absorbed into the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry Regiment in 1908.

**Great Ouseburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1830s to 1843

**Great Ponton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1911

**Great Rollright Primitive Methodist Mission Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1899

**Great Western Colliery Band** - Hopkinstown, Glamorgan

Founded in 1898. Active through to 1939

**Great Western Foundry Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

See: *Reading Foundry Brass Band*

**Great Western Paddington Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1856, 1865

**Great Western Pontypridd Band**

See: *Great Western Colliery Band*

**Great Western Railway (Paddington) Band**

See: *G.W.R. and Paddington Borough Silver Band*

**Great Western Railway (Swindon) Band** - Wiltshire

The Musical Times in 1847 stated "In the large workshops of the Great Western Railway, at Swindon, a number of these men have combined to make a most excellent orchestra, seconded by the liberality and encouragement which seems to pervade the Company's arrangement at this village, for the benefit, improvement and amusement of their workmen." Conductor Mr Oldland in 1853. It was still active in 1893, but had folded by the early 1900s when a later Swindon band arose, also to be associated with the railway.

**Great Western Railway Brass Band** - Swindon, Wiltshire

See: *Great Western Railway (Swindon) Band*

**Great Western Railway Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire

Active in 1888

- Great Western Railway Carriage Works Brass Band** - Paddington, Middlesex  
See: *Great Western Paddington Brass Band*
- Great Western Railway Social, Education and Union Association Band** - Wiltshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*
- Great Western Railway Works Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire  
See: *Reading Foundry Brass Band*
- Great Western Youth Band** - Swindon, Wiltshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2006
- Great Wigston United Brass Band** - Wigston Magna, Leicestershire  
Active in the 1880s to 1899
- Great Yarmouth and Gorleston Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1950s
- Great Yarmouth Brass** - Norfolk  
[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: East Anglian School Band
- Greater Elland S. P. and T. Social Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1946
- Greater Elland Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Elland Silver Band*
- Greater Manchester Transport Band**  
Active in the 1980s
- Greatham Ward Brass Band** - Durham  
Active from the 1890s to WW1.
- Green Hill Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1904
- Greenacres Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- Greenalls Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1964 - Former names: Haydock and Ashton Youth Band, later re-named Haydock and Ashton Band (to 1975). Greenall's Champion Band (to 1997), Greenalls Brewery Band - Note: In 2000 Greenall's company was sold but the band still retains the name of its sponsor of 25 years
- Greenalls Brewery Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Greenalls Brass Band*
- Greenall's Champion Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Greenalls Brass Band*
- Greenbank Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Formed around 1885, Greenbank Band carried on until c1900 when they disbanded to help form the Liskeard Borough Band. The only known conductor was John Mitchell.
- Greenbank Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Greenbank Foundry Brass Band*
- Greenbank Foundry Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- Greenfield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1987
- Greenfield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1987.

### **Greenfield Colliery Band**

See: *Burnbank Brass Band*

### **Greenfield Flannel Mills Band - Flintshire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Greenfield Mill Brass Band - Hyde, Cheshire**

Active in 1858

### **Greenfield Temperance Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1853

### **Greengairs Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

### **Greengates Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1850s and also from the 1890s to WW1. In June 1902 at Harrogate Road, Greengates, a milkman's horse took fright at the music and bolted into the band during the carnival procession. Twelve people were injured, many of whom were band members, and six of those were taken to the infirmary. William Carlisle, cornet player, died in hospital.

### **Greenhalgh's Brass Band - Preston, Lancashire**

Active in 1868, 1872 and also in 1907 and 1908, when it played at Calder Vale.

### **Greenhall Brass Band - Gorebridge, Midlothian**

[current band]

### **Greenhall High School Band**

See: *Greenhall Youth Brass Band*

### **Greenhall Youth Brass Band - Gorebridge, Midlothian**

Active from the 1980s to the early 2000s. Also known as Greenhall High School Band until the school closed in 1994.

### **Greenhithe Brass Band - Essex**

Founded in 1863, conductor Mr Russell. Still active in 1887

### **Greenhouse Brass Band**

See: *Bowling Greenhouse Brass Band*

### **Greenhow Hill Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Greenhow Hill Victoria Band*

### **Greenhow Hill Victoria Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in the 1860s. It is mentioned by Thomas Blackah in his poem of 1865 about the Feast: "The Nidderdale Rant" - 'And Victoria Band maks under t'tree, A bonny racket.' Used to play in the Greenhow Chapel. When the Chapel got an organ, they could not play, which caused a great deal of trouble. The band was thought to be very good and was much sought after on festive occasions in the area. There were 17 in the band: Joe Mackwell (1st Cornet), John Green (2nd Cornet), Ann Green (Bass), Thomas Blackah (Bass Instrument), Richard Blackah (A horn going right round his body), Jossie Blackah (Bass Instrument), Maw Simpson (Single Bass), Will Green (Big Drum), Thomas Wilkinson Marshall (Little Drum), R Mackwell (A round instrument), Duncan Mackwell (1st Fiddle), Jackie Green (Double Bass), ? (Trombone), 4 others (String Instruments). Nathaniel Grainge ('Natty wey t'stick') was also in the band according to another source. It was still going strong in 1883, but ceased shortly after when the local mining industry collapsed.

### **Greenhow Victoria Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Greenhow Hill Victoria Band*



**Greenland's Brass Band** - Frome, Somerset

Active in 1869. A band formed by the workmen employed by E.A. Greenland, a builder in Frome.

**Greenock and District Silver Band** - Renfrewshire

See: *Inverclyde District Band*

**Greenock Rifles Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1860s. Also known as the 1st Renfrew Rifle Volunteers Brass Band.

**Greenock Silver Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1930s

**Greenock St Lawrence Silver Band (1)** - Renfrewshire

Active from the 1920s to the 1930s. A successor band was formed in 1948

**Greenock St Lawrence Silver Band (2)** - Renfrewshire

Formed in 1948, conductor Jimmy Reid

**Greenock St Patrick's Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the late 1840s to mid-1850s. William Brady, a flax-dresser, was convicted of stealing a cornet-a-piston from the band in 1850

**Greenock Thistle Brass Band (1)** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1850s - presumed to have folded prior to 1875

**Greenock Thistle Brass Band (2)** - Renfrewshire

Formed in 1875 as the Working Boys Brass Band, became the Greenock Thistle Brass Band in 1876 and to the Volunteers in 1880 (as the 1st Renfrew and Dumbarton Artillery Volunteers Band). In 1879 it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Oddfellows Lodge, who had gorgeous banners illustrative of the objects of the Order, and the fantastic robes and head gear of the officials attracted no little notice.

**Greenock Union Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in 1858, conductor H.C. Griffiths

**Green's Brothers Band** - Brandon, Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Breckland Brass Band*

**Green's Dye Works Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1872

**Greenslade's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Messrs E.A. and W. Greenslade's Brass Band*

**Greensplat Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1913, the circumstances of WW1 interfered somewhat, and the band experienced problems with repayments on the instrument loan and so had to cease activities. Immediately after that little European disagreement was resolved they restarted their band life, which carried on until about 1935. Situated just outside the village of Bugle, for Greensplat bandsmen, contesting was an important activity from 1919 until 1930. R Hancock led the band from its inception to 1920. It is not known, at present, who was resident conductor from this point on but they did continue to contest, once under EJ Williams (sen) three times under a J Bassett (perhaps by coincidence, there was a J Bassett horn player who had finished playing with Foxhole Band - was this the same man?), and a couple of times by a G Attwood but in 1926 Charles H Baker became professional adviser to them, continuing for the next four years, after which Len Manhire took over until their demise. Also known as Greensplat Silver Band.

- Greenway Moor Brass Band** - Biddulph Moor, Staffordshire  
Active from the 1930s to 1998. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1962.
- Greenway Moor Prize Band**  
See: *Greenway Moor Brass Band*
- Greenway Selectus Band**  
See: *Greenway Moor Brass Band*
- Greenway Staffordshire Moorlands Band**  
See: *Greenway Moor Brass Band*
- Greenway's Brass Band**  
See: *Downend Brass Band*
- Greenwich and Deptford Boys Band**  
See: *Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band*
- Greenwich and Deptford Poor Law School Band**  
See: *Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band*
- Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band** - Lamorbey, Sidcup, Kent  
Active from the 1900s to the 1920s. The homes, later known as The Hollies, were opened in 1902 to house pauper children away from the workhouse. Also known as Sidcup Schools Brass Band or Sidcup Homes Band. Conductor A.R. Byles in 1907
- Greenwich Borough Brass Band**  
See: *Greenwich Town Brass Band*
- Greenwich Brass Band** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1998 - Former names: Trinity College Students? Union Brass Band
- Greenwich Town Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Christopher Birkhead in 1903
- Greetham Brass Band** - Rutland  
Active from the late 1880s to the 1930s. Secretary in 1904 was G.W. Corby. Conductor Mr Matthews in 1910, C.E. Ailmore in 1931.
- Greetland and West Vale Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s to 1890s. Conductor Mr Greenwood in 1869, the year they acquired new instruments.
- Greggs Bakery Band**  
See: *Newbiggin Colliery Band*
- Grenville Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Gresford Band** - Denbighshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Llay Welfare Band*
- Gresford Colliery Silver Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire  
Active in 1933
- Gresford Colliery Welfare Silver Band** - Denbighshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Llay Welfare Band*
- Gresham Brass Band** - Surrey  
Founded around 1902. Active in the early 1900s, based in Old Woking, at the printing works of Unwin Brothers. They are known to have played at events in Send village and it is likely that some of the players lived in Send in houses built by the company. There seem to have been about 18 players. There is an archive of Unwin Brothers at the Surrey History Centre in Woking which may have some further information.

- Gresham Press Brass Band** - Surrey  
See: *Gresham Brass Band*
- Gresley Ambulance Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*
- Gresley and Swadlincote Garibaldi Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1860s to 1867
- Gresley Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*
- Gresley Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1854, presumed to have folded before 1857 when a successor band (the current Gresley Colliery Band) was formed.
- Gresley Colliery Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1857 - Former names: Gresley Band, Gresley Silver Prize Band, Gresley Ambulance Band, Church Gresley Colliery Band (1941), South Derbyshire Miners' Welfare Band (1968 to 1980s), Gresley Old Hall Brass Band (to 2006)
- Gresley Old Hall Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*
- Gresley Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*
- Gresley Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1856
- Gretton Excelsior Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1883
- Gretton Jubilee Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gretton Silver Band*
- Gretton Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1877 - Former names: Gretton Jubilee Brass Band
- Greville House Brass Band** - Westminster, Middlesex  
Active in 1863, 1864. Based at Greville House, Paddington Green. Conductor Mr Stubbings
- Griff Colliery and Chilvers Coton Band** - Nuneaton, Warwickshire  
See: *Griff Colliery Brass Band*
- Griff Colliery Brass Band** - Nuneaton, Warwickshire  
Active in the 1920s to the 1940s
- Griffin Brass Band** - Chiswick, Middlesex  
Active in 1868
- Grimesthorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the mid-1860s to the 1930s.
- Grimesthorpe Free Church Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded around 1889. Active into the 1890s
- Grimesthorpe United Methodist Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1890s
- Grimesthorpe Weleyan Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Grimesthorpe United Methodist Brass Band*
- Grimethorpe Colliery (UK Coal) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Grimethorpe Colliery Band*

**Grimethorpe Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1917 - Former names: Grimethorpe Colliery Institute Band (until ?), Grimethorpe Colliery Band, Grimethorpe Colliery RJB Band (1995-2002), Grimethorpe Colliery (UK Coal) Band

**Grimethorpe Colliery Institute Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Grimethorpe Colliery Band*

**Grimethorpe Colliery RJB Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Grimethorpe Colliery Band*

**Grimley Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1856, conductor Mr Callow.

**Grimsby and District Band** - Lincolnshire  
 See: *Grimsby Brass Band*

**Grimsby Artillery Volunteers Band** - Lincolnshire  
 1st Lincolnshire Artillery (Grimsby) - active in the 1880s

**Grimsby Borough Band** - Lincolnshire  
 See: *Grimsby Temperance Band*

**Grimsby Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire  
 Founded in 1834. Conductor Mr Mundy in 1859. Still active in 1864

**Grimsby Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire  
 Originally formed with pupils of the old Harold Street school together with more experienced musicians. Active from the early 1960s to the 1990s. Known as Primo Windows Grimsby Band in the 1980s to early 1990s

**Grimsby County Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Grimsby Mechanics Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Founded in 1859, still active in 1886, conductor A.J. Houghton

**Grimsby Railway Servants Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in the 1880s

**Grimsby Sailors and Fishermen's Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Grimsby Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Formed around 1887, became Grimsby Borough Band in the mid-1890s, active through to the 1920s

**Grimsby Town Band** - Lincolnshire  
 See: *Grimsby Borough Band*

**Grimsby Unity Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Grimsby Victoria Wesleyan Sunday School Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Founded in 1908

**Grimsdyke Brass** - Harrow, Middlesex  
 [current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: Grimsdyke Brass (Harrow), Littlewoods Grimsdyke Brass - Note: Formed from the brass bands of Whitmore School and Park High School in Harrow

**Grimsdyke Brass (Harrow)** - Harrow, Middlesex  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Grimsdyke Brass*

**Grimston Brass Band** - Clifford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1855

**Grindleford Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1907 to the late 1930s

**Grindleford Bridge Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Grindleford Brass Band*

**Grindleton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858. Still active before WW1, but found itself short of players between the wars and amalgamated with Slaidburn Band, retaining the Slaidburn name. Slaidburn's instruments were used, but Grindleton provided the majority of players.

**Gringley Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1879

**Grinshill Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1907 through 1912. Conductor Thomas Wilson

**Gronant Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1890s

**Groombridge Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1926. Active in the 1930s, conductor Mr. H. Wickens.

**Grosmont Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1855, conductor George East. Still active in 1861

**Grosmont Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the mid-1870s to the 1910s. Conductor Thomas Wood in 1884, Jackson Easton in 1885, Thomas Aaron in 1887-91

**Grosmont Iron Works Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s

**Group 4 Winchcombe Concert Brass** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Winchcombe Concert Brass*

**Grove Place Brass Band** - Dalton, Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Grove Street Brass Band** - Musselburgh, Midlothian

Active in the 1850s

**Groves Mission Band** - York, Yorkshire

Active since at least 1889, it disbanded in 1903 and members joined the new Rowntrees Cocoa Works Band

**Groves Wesleyan Band** - York, Yorkshire

See: *Groves Mission Band*

**Groves Wesleyan School Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

Founded in 1895

**Grundisburgh Brass Band** - Suffolk

The earliest known press report is the Suffolk Standard of August 1892, when the band played at a local show, conducted by W. Blackmore. In June 1893 they played at an open-air concert in the grounds of Grundisburgh Hall, and it was reported that "The programme was interspersed with items by the Grundisburgh Brass band, which shows considerable improvement since last year" Evidently the reporter wasn't a fan! Later that year, at a formal sit-down tea, it was reported that the band had 23 members, and the conductor, G. Walter Blackmore, ( the village schoolmaster), and the bandmaster, Richard H Gladwell, were both presented with inscribed marble clocks, so the band must have been going longer than so far confirmed. In September 1892 it played at a Sale of Work at Grundisburgh House, in July 1894 and also in 1896 is entertained visitors to the

Wherstead and Belstead Cottagers' Show. July 1898 saw the band in action at the Clopton Flower Show and also the Winesham Cottagers' Show. In February 1900 it gave a concert for the "Absent-minded Beggar Fund", raising £6 - this fund had been set up by the Daily Mail, using the popular poem by Rudyard Kipling as a focus for charitable fundraising during the Boer War. The band was still active after WW1.

**GT Group Peterlee Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1974 - Former names: Peterlee Town Band (to 1993)

**Guernsey Concert Brass** - Isle of Guernsey

[current band] - Founded in 1966

**Guide Post Temperance Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1875, conductor Robert Easten

**Guide Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to the 1920s. George Aspin secretary in 1902

**Guildford Brass Band** - Surrey

Active from the 1840s to the 1890s

**Guildford Silver Band** - Surrey

Active from the 1960s to the 1970s. A successor band was formed in 1983 (Friary Guildford Band)

**Guildford Temperance Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Guildford Town Band** - Surrey

Founded in 1906

**Guildsborough Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the early 1860s. Conductor W.V. Scholes in 1868, G.W. Brunner in 1886 and W. Bott in 1907. Active through to WW1

**Guildsborough County School Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1980s

**Guinea Lane Sunday School Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Active in 1885

**Guinness Crusaders Brass Band** - London

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s.

**Guisborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1859 when it took part in the Lofthouse Grand Village Band Contest in November that year. It was conducted by Mr Bannister, had 12 performers, and played Il Trovatore by Verdi. and the test piece, Grand Parade March by Jones. Active through to WW1.

**Guisborough Priory Prize Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1902 and still active in 1920

**Guisborough Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s to 1900s. 20th North Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band

**Guisborough Union Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867, a juvenile band from the local workhouse

**Guisbrough Artillery Volunteers** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

1st North Yorkshire Volunteer Artillery Band. Active in the 1870s

**Guseley Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863 to 1869. Its instruments were sold in 1869 by its leader, Elijah Booth

**Guiseley Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in the 1870s. Active in 1875 and 1890. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by R. Stevenson.

**Gulval Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1859

**Gunnerside Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1920s

**Gunnerslake British Legion Band**

See: *Gunnerslake Temperance Band*

**Gunnerslake Silver Band**

See: *Gunnerslake Temperance Band*

**Gunnerslake Temperance Band** - Cornwall

Formed about 1898, they quietly carried on with the usual engagements of the time, and after World War 1 became Gunnerslake British Legion Band, and later the Gunnerslake Silver Band. They were a non-contesting outfit. All that can be discovered regards conductors was that in 1937 Mr C Trewin finished and Mr W Westlake took over. It must have been soon after this that they folded up as I can find no more references to them after 1937. Also in the town of Gunnerslake was a Salvation Army Corps, complete with a band that carried out "outside" engagements at least in 1930.

**Gunton Hall Silver Band**

See: *Lowestoft Town Brass Band*

**Gunville Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1857

**GUS Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Virtuosi GUS Band*

**Gussage Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1895, secretary William Burt

**Guthrie's Industrial School Band** - Liberton, Midlothian

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Sutherland. The school was located in Lasswade Road, Liberton

**Gwaelodygarth Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1891

**Gwaenydd Brass Band** - Merioneth

[previous name of current band] See: *Royal Oakeley Silver Band*

**Gwaenydd Silver Band** - Festiniog, Merioneth

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Gwaenysgor Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1870s

**Gwaun Cae Gurwen Brass Band (1)** - Glamorgan

In 1892 a meeting was held to form a brass band in Gwaun Cae Gurwen. The records show that each founder member had to deposit £5 with Higham & Sons towards the £250 needed to purchase a set of second hand instruments. Furthermore, each band member had to contribute one shilling per week to help clear the balance owed. As the band grew in strength, it was officially decreed on the 11th December 1883 that a society had been formed and henceforth be known as the Gwaun Cae Gurwen Brass Band. It prospered through WW1 and folded in 1932. Obtained new instruments in 1919

### **Gwaun Cae Gurwen Brass Band (2) - Glamorgan**

In September 1933 the former bass player Dan Lloyd, who had joined the band in 1901, was invited to form a junior band assisted by a few of the former players. By Whitsun 1934 the newly formed young band was ready for its first contest, success soon followed with the band winning first prize. The same year they qualified to compete at the famous Crystal Palace in London when again the first prize in their section was brought home to Wales. This was the start of a partnership which brought unrivalled success with the local band achieving 28 firsts, 3 seconds and one third prize in the first 32 contests attended between 1933 and 1939. In 1945 they won for the first time the Daily Herald Welsh Area Championship and at the Royal Albert Hall finals shared 7th place with Black Dyke. The band disbanded in 1953.

### **Gwaun Cae Gurwen Brass Band (3) - Glamorgan**

In 1955 interested local youngsters were gathered together and taught from scratch to play and understand music by Haydn Morris in an endeavour to start another band and by 1956 there was a full compliment aided by five former players. That same year the newly formed band qualified in the Welsh Area Contest held at the Brangwyn Hall, Swansea. This was the much needed incentive and success followed in 1959 when the band qualified for the London Championships where they remained until 1965. In an endeavour to overcome earlier mistakes a junior band had also been formed under the baton of Mr. Ivor Davies. The year 1965 saw for the first time a championship band together with a junior band and later having qualified at Swansea, went on to win the National Youth Championship of Great Britain a great tribute to Ivor who had worked so diligently with the youngsters. The relegation of the main band proved a difficult period and failure to encourage the best young players from the successful junior band to fill vacancies in the senior band caused its eventual collapse in 1967. What had started as a safeguard had conversely through its own success proved the main band's downfall. The junior band continued as a 4th section band from 1967 to become the current Gwaun Cae Gurwen Brass Band.

### **Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen Band - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Note: Three previous incarnations of the band had existed in the past

### **Gweek Silver Band - Cornwall**

[current band] - Founded in 1926

### **Gwendraeth Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Gwennap Band - Cornwall**

Truro City Band had disbanded in 1969 so was it a coincidence that the Gwennap Band, who were only five miles from Truro, started up at that same time, albeit under a different conductor? This was Rex Little who stayed with them until 1975 when they became the basis for a new Truro band. Rex Little stayed with this new band for about thirteen years.

### **Gwernaffield Brass Band - Flintshire**

Active in 1899 and sporadically through the first half of the 20th century. A permanent successor band was formed in 1971 (Gwernaffield Silver Band)

### **Gwernaffield Silver Band - Flintshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1971



**Gwersyllt Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active from 1861 to the 1890s. Conductor J. R. Williams in 1885

**Gwespyr and District Silver Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1950s.

**Gwespyr Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor E. Davies in 1900

**Gwynedd and Mon Brass Band** - Bangor, Caernarfonshire

[current band] - Founded around 2000 - Former names: Gwynedd & Mon County Youth Band

**Gwynedd Brass Band** - Blaenau Ffestiniog, Merioneth

Active from 1867, conductor Mr Kelly, to the 1880s

**Gwynfi Brass Band**

See: *Aber and Blaengwynfi Workmens Silver Band*

**Gwynydd Brass Band** - Blaenau Ffestiniog, Merioneth

See: *Gwynedd Brass Band*

**Gwyrfai Mills Brass Band** - Bontnewydd, Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Gwyrfai Vale Brass Band** - Bontnewydd, Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1930s

**H Division Police Brass Band** - Stepney, Middlesex

Founded in 1861, conductor W. Lake. Still active in 1866. See also B, D, E, G, K, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**H. Stevenson's Works Silver Band**

See: *Hugh Stevenson and Sons Band*

**H.M.S. Condor Brass Band**

See: *Fleet Air Arm Volunteer Brass Band*

**H.M.S. Implacable Brass Band** - Devonport, Devon

See: *Training Ship Implacable Brass Band*

**Habberley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the early 2000s

**Habershon Silver Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950s - 70s. Linked to J.J. Habershon and Sons Steel Works in Rotherham. Conductor was H. Ingle for much of the time.

**Hackenthorpe Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1850s

**Hackleton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from 1878, conductor G. Pearson, to the 1920s. Conductor A.C. Howes in 1879-1892, J. Nicholls in 1905, Alwyn Longland in 1925

**Hackness Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1855 to 1863

**Hackney Union Schools Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s. Based at the Hackney Cottage Homes in Chipping Ongar, built by the Hackney Poor Law Union in 1905.

**Hackney Wick Wesleyan Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Haddenham Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the early 1860s. Conductor John Rose in 1888. Continued to be active through to 1939.

**Haddenham Brass Band (1)** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1840s

**Haddenham Brass Band (2)** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Haddenham Foresters Brass Band*

**Haddenham Foresters' Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1897. Known as Haddenham Silver Band from the early 1900s onward. Folded in the late 1980s.

**Haddenham Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Note: A Haddenham Silver Band existed in 1905

**Haddenham Silver Band**

See: *Haddenham Foresters Brass Band*

**Hadden's Factory Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1858, conductor E.H. Turpin, and 1860. Hadden's were a hosiery manufacturer, making knitted goods on circular frames.

**Hade Edge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1908 - Note: Following demise of Old Moss Band a few years earlier

**Hadfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1930s

**Hadleigh Boys Band**

See: *Hadleigh Town Band*

**Hadleigh Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in 1866, conductor J. Heard

**Hadleigh Foresters' Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1900

**Hadleigh Town Band** - Suffolk

Formed in 1951. The band's first Chairman was C H Betts, Treasurer H L Seaman and Secretary R G Robinson, their headquarters was at The Wheatsheaf public house. Within a year of their formation they were giving conceits in aid of the Lynmouth Flood Disaster plus concerts at Bildeston, Whatfield and Polstead. They played for a Hadleigh Remembrance Sunday service and organised a Giant Illuminated Christmas Tree on the Market Place, playing carols and gathering toys for Ipswich Hospital. The instruments were loaned by one of the instrument manufacturers. They also made a record of "Blades of Steel March", "Grisford" and "Abide with Me". They were still active in 1958.

**Hadlow Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1863 to 1867

**Hadstock Silver Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded around 1900

**Haematite Iron Works Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland

See: *Workington Iron Works Brass Band*

**Hafod Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1882, conductor Benjamin Davies. Conductor G. Beddington in 1899

**Hafod Colliery Band** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Hafod Rechabites Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1895

**Hafod Welfare Band** - Denbighshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Haggate Band**  
See: *Briercliffe Prize Brass Band*

**Haggerston Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active from the 1920s to 1940. Probably folded during WW2.

**Hagley Schools Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1980s

**Haigh (Aspull) Band**  
See: *Haigh Brass Band*

**Haigh Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Rothwell Haigh Band*

**Haigh Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from 1860 through to the 1970s. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by J. Mather).

**Haigh Colliery Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1843, one of the first to use all brass instruments. Still active in 1873

**Haigh Prize Band**  
See: *Haigh Brass Band*

**Haigh Public Band**  
See: *Haigh Brass Band*

**Hailey Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in 1855

**Hailsham and Vines Cross Modern Brass** - Sussex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wealden Brass*

**Hailsham Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1850s to 1858

**Hailsham Town Band** - Sussex  
Founded in 1901 and in 1948 amalgamated with the British Legion (Hailsham Branch) Band. Records of the band, from 1901-48, are held at the East Sussex Record Office. 1905/1911/1915 the secretary was George G. Guy

**Halam Field Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1875

**Halberton Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1861. Folded in 1866, revived in 1867.

**Halden Brass Band** - Kent  
See: *High Halden Brass Band*

**Hale Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Formed in 1907

**Hale End Xylonite Works Band** - Hackney, Middlesex  
Formed in 1920.

**Halesowen Band** - Worcestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Halesowen Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1850s

**Halesowen Church Band** - Worcestershire

Founded in 1889

**Halesowen Temperance Band** - Worcestershire

Active as a drum and fife band, converting to all brass in 1884. Based at the Halesowen Primitive Methodist Church. Active through to WW1.

**Halesowen Town Volunteer Prize Band** - Worcestershire

Active from the 1890s to 1915

**Halesworth Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1839

**Halewood United Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Haley Hill Brass Band**

See: *Haley Hill Sax Horn Band*

**Haley Hill Sax Horn Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1854 and 1859 when they played at the annual exhibition of the Haley Hill and New Town Allotment Gardeners' Society

**Half-acres Primitive Methodist Gospel Temperance Band** - Castleford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Halford Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s, and 1941. Obtained new uniforms in 1905

**Halifax Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1873

**Halifax and District Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Records of the band, from 1951-61, are held at the West Yorkshire Archive Service, Calderdale

**Halifax Band of Hope Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Halifax Victoria Band*

**Halifax Borough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1860 to the 1890s

**Halifax Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Halifax Rifle Volunteers Band*

**Halifax Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2005

**Halifax Brass Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Halifax Central Brass Works Band*

**Halifax C.E.F.A. Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s/1950s

**Halifax Central Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Halifax Central Brass Works Band*

**Halifax Central Brass Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s. Conducted by Robert Halstead in 1896

**Halifax Citadel Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1918

**Halifax Corporation Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Halifax Home Guard Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1940 to 1945. Competed in the 1944 British Open contest.

**Halifax King Cross Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *King Cross Band*

**Halifax Main Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]

**Halifax New Road Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s

**Halifax Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to the 1870s. Won the British Open in 1860 and 1861, conducted by J. Dewhurst and competed again in 1864.

**Halifax Rink Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Halifax Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1884. Active in the 1890s

**Halifax Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Originally the Halifax Band of Hope Brass Band. Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Halifax Volunteer Artillery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s

**Halkyn Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Active in the 1890s

**Halkyn Voel Gaer Band**  
See: *Voel Gaer Brass Band*

**Hall Green Brass Band**  
See: *Hall Green Euphonic Band*

**Hall Green Euphonic Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Hall of Freedom Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
See: *Cardiff Hall of Freedom Brass Band*

**Hall of Freedom Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Founded in 1887. Active from the 1890s to the 1920s

**Hall Royd Band** - Shipley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1945 - Former names: Hall Royd Music Makers, Hall Royd Methodist Band

**Hall Royd Methodist Band** - Shipley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Hall Royd Band*

**Hall Royd Music Makers** - Shipley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Hall Royd Band*

**Hallamshire Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1868

**Hallaton Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Founded in 1904, conductor Mr Walters, active through to 1933. Conductor in 1928 was Mr Watson

**Hallbankgate Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1880s, 1890s

**Hallelujah Crusaders Band** - Kent  
Active in 1922

### **Hallelujah Mission Silver Band** - Motherwell, Lanarkshire

Formed in 1884, still active in 1947. H. Russell was a member of the band from its inception up to 1947 (at least).

### **Halliwell Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1858, they originally took the name Jubilee Band, owing to their membership being from St Peter's Jubilee Sunday School. Conductor Paul Gregory in 1868. Some time before 1870 the band severed its ties with St Peter's and took the name Halliwell Band, in 1873 they played at the opening of the Town Hall. Halliwell Band disbanded during the First World War as 22 members signed up! Two were killed and three gained the DCM. A record that they were very proud of Sir Knowles Edge JP was a great supporter of the band in the early part of the last century. Evening News, July 21, 1904 - The attendance at the weekly band performance in Queen's Park, Bolton, on Wednesday evening did not reach its usual dimensions. The Halliwell Prize Brass Band occupied the kiosk and the programme was gone through with great credit to themselves. A melancholy interest was attached to the performance owing to the death of Bandmaster Range, late musical director of the concerts, and out of respect to the deceased's memory the band played the Dead March. Jack Wilson, who lived in Bolton from 1936 to 1951, said, "My Dad was conductor of Halliwell Prize Band, and worked until the war at Crossleys, who I believe made ropes and cables. Old man Crossley was chairman of the band, and when the war started most of the players were called up, and Dad went on munitions. The band never really recovered." The band played at church and chapel walking days, Field Days, Garden Parties, Rose Queens and for Christmas Carols. In Bolton there were the Trinity Sunday Walks of the Roman Catholics, the May Day parade of carthorses from the brewers and carriers, and that feast of entertainment the Royal Infirmary Carnival where jazz bands vied with brass bands. The leader in the 1930s was possibly a portly gentleman called Gregory, who lived in Olga Street, and the band met at the Peel Arms on Halliwell Road - whether to practice or drink is not known! At the time it disbanded in the early 1950s it practiced in St Paul's School. Another earlier member of the band was George Kay. He lived at 6 Saturn Street, attended Harvey Street Chapel and worked at Dobson and Barlow. He had three children, one son and two daughters. In February 1917 he enlisted in the North Staffordshire Regiment, sadly he was killed in May 1918, aged 40. The band at some point became the Halliwell Prize Brass Band [before 1904], what prize it won is not known but apparently it was jokingly said to be third prize when there were only three competitors. On Christmas morning they would start playing Hail Smiling Morn at the Ainsworth Arms and travel down Halliwell Road calling at other pubs en route. How far they got before they could no longer play is not recorded. The band latterly was sponsored by Henry Crossley (Packings) Ltd., and it would seem that when the band finished in the early 1950s the uniforms, instruments and music were stored by them, and then sold.

### **Halliwell Jubilee School Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Halliwell Brass Band*

### **Halls Brewery Band**

See: *Oxford Concert Brass*

### **Halls Oxford Concert Brass**

See: *Oxford Concert Brass*

### **Hall's Ropery Band**

See: *Barton Ropery Band*

**Hallwood View Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858

**Halmerend Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1876

**Halmore Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

**Halmore Temperance Band**

See: *Halmore Brass Band*

**Halse Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor John Howse (or House) in 1891/1894

**Halstead Amateur Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1864

**Halstead Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1856, 1861

**Halstead Town Band** - Essex

Active in in the 1880s to WW1. 1899 - Mr Francis conductor, 1902 - Richard Francis bandmaster, C.H. Gibbs secretary. 1914 - H.A. Adams bandmaster, H. Laurence secretary.

**Halstead's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1882. Mr Halstead was landlord of the Britannia Inn, Friargate, Preston. The band won first prize in a contest at Barrow on August 7th 1882, winning a handsome silver cup and £7. At various recent competitions if had gained: Ten first prizes, five second prizes, two third prizes, and one fourth prize, amounting to over £300 in money; also seven side drums, three gold and one silver medal, one drum-major's staff, and a silver cup.

**Halton Amateur Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1882

**Halton Brass Band** - Hastings, Sussex

Active in 1881

**Halton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1882 to 1902. A subscription fund was set up in 1885 to buy new uniforms - these were delivered in October that year from T. Barrow, Market Street, Lancaster at a cost of £26 5s. Also active in 1937

**Halton Lea Gate Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Peart, playing at Featherstone School (Featherstone Rowfoot) to raise funds to establish a brass band at Featherstone and Coanwood. Still active in 1869

**Halton-le-Gate Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Halton Lea Gate Brass Band*

**Haltwhistle and South Tyne Brass Band**

See: *South Tyne Brass Band*

**Haltwhistle Brass Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1857. Conductor Mr Brown in 1861. Still active in 1869

**Haltwhistle Old Silver Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1898. Disbanded August 2004. In its heyday, Haltwhistle Old Silver Band acted like the proud standard bearer for the town. It stood for musical accomplishment and, perhaps more importantly, community spirit. Some men devoted the whole of their

adult lives to the band, meeting for rehearsals three times a week and frequently spending a fourth performing at events throughout the region. They were joined by their brothers and followed by their sons. Meanwhile, their wives concentrated on organising fundraising events to help cover the band's costs. So it is with heavy hearts that the last three members of the band have decided to call it a day. It has existed in name only for many years now, kept going by a hand-full of members who could not imagine life without their regular music sessions. Now the writing is truly on the wall, though, because they have decided to put the old Band Room up for sale. Situated at the bottom of Comb Hill, the building has been home to the band since it sounded its first notes. Which is why the last three members \* Jonty Bell, Tom Fletcher and Dryden Smith \* are determined that the money realised by the sale will provide a lasting legacy in Haltwhistle. They will use it to set up a trust fund, which will be used to foster the musical ambitions of local people. They have requested that Haltwhistle Town Council runs the trust fund, which was unanimously agreed to by councillors during their latest meeting. Along with his fellow councillors, chairman Coun. Alan Sharp paid warm tribute to Jonty for the role he has played in Haltwhistle Old Silver Band for almost 80 years. Jonty was also well known across the district for his leading role in the Singing Waiters over 25 years. "I would just like to thank you on behalf of the town for all the hard work you have put in over the years," said Coun. Sharp. "You were a stalwart of the band. "You have done so much for the town, and I can safely say you are held in high regard for your devotion and commitment. "People have succeeded in bands and singing because of your hard work. "I think the trust will be a good thing for the future of Haltwhistle and for children who are interested in music." Coun. Graham Ridley added: "In the past, the band has done a great deal to bring on youngsters. "A lot of them got their first introduction to music through the band. "If the trust carries on that good work, it will be a good thing for the town. We will all be grateful to you for that." Jonty was just five years old when he was first introduced to band life. "I used to go along with my father \* he was the conductor at the time," he said. "The band room was a wreck then. There was flooring in just half the room. "While the band was playing in that half of the room, I used to sit in the other half making pot-pies in the dirt. "I joined the band properly when I was eight years old." Jonty is now 84. His father, who was also called Jonathan, played the euphonium. Jonty played the E-flat bass, while his elder brother, George, played the cornet. It has been Tom Fletcher who has kept the band going in recent years, says Jonty. Known for his skill on the trombone, Tom stepped into the breach when the band needed a conductor. The remaining member of their stalwart group, Dryden, played the double-B bass. "At one time, every village had a band, such as Haydon Bridge and Bardon Mill," said Jonty. "The 1950s and 1960s were the heyday for us. "We qualified twice for the national finals of a competition run by the Daily Herald, and we travelled down to London. "We travelled all over the country during those days, and family and friends used to come with us. "We had a terrific social life. It was grand. "In the end, though, the interest in bands just fizzled out," The Band Room will be closed at the end of August (2004)

#### **Haltwhistle Rifles Volunteers Band - Northumberland**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

#### **Ham and Petersham Brass Band - Surrey**

Founded in 1903. Active through to WW1.



**Ham Mills Works Band**

Active in the early 1900s

**Hambledon Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1856

**Hambleton Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *South Milford Brass*

**Hambleton Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1920s and 1980s

**Hambleton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1860s.

**Hambleton Brass SHS** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *South Milford Brass*

**Hambrook Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s, Played for Rogation open-air services on White's Hill Common (Frenchay) in 1927 and 1944. Played at the Winterbourne Sunday School treat on 25 August 1920. Gave a "delightful concert" at Winterbourne in 1926. "This was a huge success, and we hope very much that they will come again before the winter goes". Headed a procession of 150 Bristol Buffaloes for a wreath laying ceremony at Frenchay in 1927. Played at a Garden Fete at Watley's End, Winterbourne in 1928. Played at Winterbourne School Sports on June 17 1931 and were thanked for their efficient musical programme, given entirely without any fee. Played at Frenchay Fete in aid of Hambrook Hospital on July 14 1934. Jack Miles was for some years bandmaster of the Hambrook Silver Band - possibly in the 1930s-40s. Disbanded before 1974 when some ex-members joined the new Thornbury Brass Band.

**Hamilton Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1860, and in the 1890s to the 1930s

**Hamilton Burgh Band** - Lanarkshire

Formed in 1908, conductor Mr Wharmby

**Hamilton Palace Colliery Band** - Bothwell, Lanarkshire

Formed in 1899. Active to the 1950s. Bandmaster for many years was David Hunter, who built the band up from scratch on three occasions after the interruptions/problems caused by the two World Wars and the General Strike in 1926. The majority of the band joined up in 1914, leaving 5 members. The band reformed in 1917. 1926 saw another hiatus for a few years. It then flourished again before being reduced to eight members by the time war broke out in 1939.

**Hamlyn Brothers Brass Band** - Buckfastleigh, Devon

Active in the early 1870s, William Torchard conductor in 1873. Hamlyn Brothers operated woolen mills and a tannery in the town. In 1902 Esau Lee arrived from North Tawton to take over the conductorship of the band, at which time it was rename Buckfastleigh Town Band. He remained its conductor until 1933. The band was still active to at least 1949.

**Hammersmith Borough Band** - Middlesex

Formed 1927. Folded some time in the late 1970s.

**Hammersmith Town Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s, re-organised in 1902, conductor C. Barnes

**Hammonds Hawley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Bradford Brass Band*

**Hammonds Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Yorkshire Building Society Community Brass*

**Hammonds Saltaire Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1947 - Former names: Hammonds Sauce Works Band (to 1993), Yorkshire Building Society Brass Band (to 2005), YBS Band (to 2009) - Note: The original Hammonds Sauce Works Band arose from the ashes of the earlier Salts Silver Band, which folded in 1946. They acquired the Salts music library, some of the instruments and a few of the members.

**Hammonds Sauce Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hammonds Saltaire Band*

**Hampshire Concert Brass** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Otterbourne Brass*

**Hampshire County Youth Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1963 - Former names: Mid-Hants Schools Band, Hampshire Youth Concert Band

**Hampshire Reformatory Brass Band** - Eling, Hampshire

Active in 1869, consisting of 15 boys from the home

**Hampshire Youth Concert Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Hampshire County Youth Band*

**Hampstead Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

Founded in 1858, conductor John Day. Still active in 1860

**Hampstead Borough Band** - Middlesex

Active around 1900

**Hampstead Prize Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active from the early 1900s to the 1920s

**Hampstead Rosslyn Hill Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1888

**Hampstead Temperance Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s

**Hampton Hill Brass Band** - London

Active in the early 1900s

**Hamstead Colliery Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1894

**Hamsteels Colliery Band (1)** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s and still active in 1938. Acquired new instruments in 1899, conductor H. Dunning

**Hamsteels Colliery Band (2)** - Langley Park and Cornsay, Durham

Formed in 1950, rehearsed in the Drill Hall in Quebec, which had a special room known as the "band room" for the practices. It was, according to one account, still active after the pit closed in 1958. But it probably folded not long after that.

**Hamsterley Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in 1891

**Hamsterley Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in 1898. A newspaper report also has it active in 1896

**Hamworthy Engineering Works Band** - Poole, Dorset

Active from the 1960s to the early 1980s. Won the Badman Challenge Cup at a Southern Amateur Bands Association contest in 1970.

**Hanborough Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1890

**Hanborough Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1890

**Hanbury Parish Church Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1882, conductor Mr Archer

**Handcross Brass Band (1)** - Sussex

Formed in 1892. Active through to WW1. It was clearly a brass and reed band by the early 1900s. On 27th November 1891 a meeting was held in the Handcross Mission Room for the purpose of establishing a brass band in the village. The Mission Room was later converted into All Saints Church when it was consecrated on All Saints Day 1915. The officers elected during the meeting were the Rev. G. M. Macdermott as treasurer, and James Mason as secretary. The committee members consisted of the Rev. Macdermott as Chairman, James Mason, Charles Sjoquist, William Staplehurst, H. Elliott, George Gumm, and James Copley. The first practice was held on January 27th 1892 and, in addition to those named above, those attending were George Elliott, H. Gribble, H. Greenfield, Mr Flint, A. Mansbridge. C. Chapman, and J. Mann.

**Handcross Brass Band (2)** - Sussex

Active in the 1980s

**Handen Hold Colliery Band** - West Pelton, Durham

Active from the 1950s to the 1970s.

**Hand-in-Hand Friendly Society Brass Band** - Turners Hill, Sussex

Active in 1866

**Handley Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Sixpenny Handley Brass Band*

**Handley Excelsior Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

**Handsworth Council Employees Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the early 1900s to WW1. Thomas Welling conductor in 1906.

**Handsworth Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1891

**Handsworth Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1882, conductor Joseph Leach

**Handsworth Woodhouse Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1900s

**Handsworth Woodhouse Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Woodhouse Prize Band*

**Handsworth Woodhouse Prize Band**

See: *Handsworth Woodhouse Band*

**Hanger Motors Band**

See: *Dudley District Band*

**Hanging Heaton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1980s

**Hangleton Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: Hangleton Junior School Band

**Hangleton Junior School Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Hangleton Band*

**Hanham Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1854. Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864. Leader Mr Painter in 1865. Still active in 1867

**Hankham and District Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. The band met to practise in the school. Sadly the most promising of the young bandsmen left home to seek employment elsewhere, and World War 1 took a heavy toll of the remainder.

**Hanley Amateurs Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Hanley and Shelton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s, conductor Mr Birch in 1852

**Hanley Borough Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1868

**Hanley Brass Band** - Hanley Castle, Worcestershire

See: *Hanley Institute Brass Band*

**Hanley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1850

**Hanley Castle Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1862

**Hanley Church Mission Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1900

**Hanley Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s, 1890s and the 1930s

**Hanley Institute Brass Band** - Hanley Castle, Worcestershire

Active in 1862 to 1864

**Hanley Mission Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Founded in 1884, conductor G. Turner. Still active in the 1900s

**Hanley Town Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1880s to WW1.

**Hanley Working Men's Club Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Hanmer Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1859

**Hannan's Trombone Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1866

**Hannington Silver Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1924 - Note: Formed in 1924 by Leslie Wythe, the father of the current musical director Tony Wythe, and George Watts Snr to sing hymns in the local Methodist chapel, as there was no organ.

**Hann's Concert Band** - Poplar, Middlesex

Active in the late 1890s

**Hans Concert Band**

See: *Hann's Concert Band*

**Hanslope Excelsior Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s

### **Hanwell Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1892. In the autumn of 1891 some people had the idea of starting a public brass band and hoped to raise enough funds to purchase instruments. An announcement appeared in the Middlesex County Times on May 7, 1892 stating that a band was being formed and a committee had been formed. Among these was a Mr Williams, who was the bandmaster of the Hanwell Asylum Band. It said the personnel would be mainly professional bandsmen, but a junior band would also be formed. An appeal was made to the 'Gentry and Traders for help to buy the instruments'. The landlord of the Viaduct Inn made a room available for the band's weekly practice, which no doubt was good for business with a few pints being bought by the thirsty musicians at the close of the evening. The response from the general public was good, new instruments were bought and the band made its first public appearance at Hanwell Broadway under the baton of Mr Williams in 1892. The first full concert took place during evening service at the Union Church in late February 1893. The programme included the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah. The band were fortunate to secure the services of Mr W Woods, who was experienced in competition work in the north of England, and so entries were submitted to take part in various brass band competitions. Uniforms were obtained and victories came, so the band changed its name to The Hanwell Prize Band to signal these successes. After winning first prize in a contest at Tottenham in 1913, the name was changed again to The Hanwell Silver Prize Band. During the Great War, many of the bandsmen joined the forces and the band was suspended, but in 1918 steps were taken to restart it under the conductorship of Reg Bravington. Hanwell Urban Council granted the use of Elthorne Park for a Brass Band Festival, which was a great success both musically and financially, for funds raised enabled the band to buy a full set of silver-plated instruments. More wins were secured and the band were invited to broadcast by the BBC, took part in a concert at the Prince of Wales Theatre and appeared with Gracie Fields in the film Look Up and Laugh, which was made at nearby Ealing Studios. The band's proudest boast was that they had entertained 40,000 people at one appearance. This was at a match at Brentford between the home team and Arsenal at Griffin Park, where the band played for two and a half hours. They also took part in the Brentford and Chiswick Carnival in September 1960. The band went on to take part in the national brass band contest at the Royal Albert Hall. In January 1979, the Middlesex Chronicle announced that a forthcoming concert at Cranford School would be the last under the present name. The band had agreed to sponsorship by the Roneo Vickers Office Equipment Group and it would be renamed the Roneo Vickers Band. The band was also known as the Roneo Alcatel Band during this period and eventually folded around 2001. Some of the players joined Capital Concert Brass, of West London.

### **Hanwell Silver Band** - Middlesex

See: *Hanwell Brass Band*

### **Hanwell Silver Prize Band** - Middlesex

See: *Hanwell Brass Band*

### **Hanwell Town Prize Band** - Middlesex

See: *Hanwell Brass Band*

### **Hanwood Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1862

### **Happy Family Band** - Marksbury, Somerset

See: *Marksbury Brass Band*

**Harborne Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor Mr Birch in 1870. Also in 1900

**Harborne Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Founded in 1908

**Harborne Industrial School Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s. The school was first certified in 1868, then re-certified for 150 pupils in 1902. It was located in Balden Road.

**Harborough Amateur Band** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

See: *Harborough Brass Band* (2)

**Harborough Artizans Band** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

See: *Harborough Brass Band* (2)

**Harborough Band** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1897 - Former names: Harborough Town Band

**Harborough Brass Band (1)** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Harborough Brass Band (2)** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

Formed in October 1862, conductor W. Bailey. In the Harborough News of 5 Sep 1863 there is a report of the Harborough Amateur Band beating the Cricket Club (at cricket!). A successor Harborough band, still active, was formed in 1897 after this one disbanded sometime in the late 1880s/ early 1890s. Also known as Harborough Artizans Band during this period.

**Harborough Town Band** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Harborough Band*

**Harborough Volunteers Band** - Market Harborough, Leicestershire

Active in 1880 - the Volunteers in Market Harborough were formed in April 1880.

Probably created from the Harborough Amateur Artizans Band

**Harden Beck Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Harden Brass Band**

See: *Harden Mills Band*

**Harden Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. The mill was situated at Harden, near Bingley.

**Hardingstone Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1892, conducted by W. Bailey

**Hardwick Colliery Band** - Holmewood, Derbyshire

Formed in September 1908, conductor A. Roughton. Funds were raised through the winter, instruments bought for £210 and uniforms for £38, which they appeared in for the first time at a concert on July 24th 1909. They rehearsed on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The members in 1909 were: A. Roughton (bandmaster), S. Varley (soprano), Luke Lawson (solo cornet), Harry Hatton, Sam Smith, Enos Clarke, G.H. Ellis, F. Cox, A. Cooke and W. Neale (cornets), R. Short, J. Roughton and J. Jones (horns), E. England and R. Robinson (baritones), W. Beason (solo euphonium), J. Clark, W. Barlow and H. Handley (trombones), Tom Short, Sam Needham, Tom Thirlwell and E. Pemberton (basses). Active through to the 1950s. Hardwick Colliery became Holmewood Colliery after nationalisation. An earlier attempt (around 1898) was made to get a band going at the colliery, but this failed, and the few players who were gathered joined the ranks of the Doe Lea Brass Band instead.

### **Hardwick Silver Band**

*See: Hardwick Colliery Band*

### **Hardy Patent Pick Company Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1894, conductor W. Hepworth. Still active in 1897

### **Hardy Spicers Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the 1950s

### **Harefield Asbestos Works Band** - Middlesex

Active in the late 1880s and 1890s - formed by employees of the United Asbestos Company, which operated in Harefield from 1882. Conductor in 1899, Mr Keen

### **Harland and Wolff Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

*See: Harland and Wolff Liverpool Band*

### **Harland and Wolff Brass Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

*See: Harland and Wolff Southampton Band*

### **Harland and Wolff Liverpool Band**

Active in 1923/1924

### **Harland and Wolff Southampton Band**

Active in the 1920s

### **Harland and Wolff's Prize**

*See: Harland and Wolff Liverpool Band*

### **Harlech Brass Band (1)** - Merioneth

Formed in 1845 and disbanded in 1915.

### **Harlech Brass Band (2)** - Merioneth

Formed in 1925 and disbanded sometime later. Successor band formed in 1985

### **Harlech Silver Band** - Merioneth

[current band] - Founded in 1985

### **Harlescott (Standco Ltd.) Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

### **Harlesden Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1937

### **Harlesden Men's Own Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

### **Harleston Town Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1880s, conductor John Valiant, through to the 1900s

### **Harleston Volunteers Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s

### **Harlestone Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the mid-1870s to the 1880s. Conductor W. Bailey in 1881, J. Hewitt in 1895

### **Harling Saxhorn Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1875

### **Harlow Brass Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Former names: Harlow Town Band - Note: Formed by ex Netteswell Youth Band players

### **Harlow Brass Band (1)** - Essex

There was a brass band in the village of Harlow, (now Harlow Old Town), in the latter part of the nineteenth century. Contemporary photographs show the members in full uniforms: high collars lots of buttons and complete with flat caps. The band did not survive the Great War.

### **Harlow Brass Band (2) - Essex**

Around 1959-1960, an ex-army musician, Harry Crossley, had the idea of starting a brass band in Harlow. He invited other ex-army musicians with whom he had contacts to form the nucleus of the band (together with local musicians). They in turn were attracted to the prospect of employment at the factories being built in the New Town. Harlow Council provided a grant for a set of silver and blue concert music folders (which are now in the possession of the current Harlow Brass Band). The band began well and for some while performed in and around Harlow. However, it didn't become fully established, probably because of a shortage of new young players to provide continuity and disbanded in the early 1960s. The current, successor band was formed in 1967

### **Harlow Town Band - Essex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Harlow Brass Band*

### **Harold School Brass Band - Grimsby, Lincolnshire**

Active in 1970

### **Harpenden Brass Band**

Active in the late 1960s to the 1980s

### **Harper Twelvetrees Brass Band - Bromley-by-Bow, Middlesex**

Active in 1860. Harper Twelvetrees' company manufactured Penny Patent Soap Powder amongst others, employing some 800 people

### **Harperley Colliery Band - Crook, Durham**

Active in the 1920s

### **Harpole Brass Band**

See: *Harpole Excelsior Band*

### **Harpole Excelsior Band - Northamptonshire**

Active from the early 1860s to WW1.

### **Harpur Hill Excelsior Band**

See: *Harpur Hill Silver Band*

### **Harpur Hill Piggery Band - Derbyshire**

Was formed in the village of Harpur Hill in 1946, first marching in the Victory parades. It was a "comic" brass band, numbering at its greatest up to 40 musicians, most of whom seemed to have been very talented bandsman from top-section bands, like Fairy's, Ferodo, Cresswell Colliery etc. having retired from full time banding. It was led by Ike Dunn and folded soon after his death in 1951. They played for dancing, gave concerts and marched in a miscellany of parades in Derbyshire, Cheshire and Staffordshire.

### **Harpur Hill Silver Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1890s, it finally folded in the early 1960's. Its conductor at that time was Roy Orritt, who took over the baton from his father, Harry Orritt. Harry was a noteworthy soprano player, before taking up the baton and he returned to the cornet ranks when he handed over to his son. The soprano player by then was Jimmy Bossley. Some players played with more than one band. e.g. Tom Pickford who was the best double bass player in the Peak District and who played with Harpur Hill, his village of domicile and also Dove Holes for many years. He also played with the Harpur Hill Piggery Band. Similarly, Jimmy Bossley also played with the Piggery Band. They were provided with free practice room facilities, as was also Peak Dale Band, by the principal employer in the district, I.C.I. (Lime Division). The grave footstone of Harry Orritt d. 18 March 1955, aged 63, reads: "In memory of Harry Orritt who gave faithful service to Harpur Hill Band for many years. Remembered by past and present officials, player and members"



## **Harpurhey and Moston Public Subscription Band**

See: *Harpurhey and Moston Silver Prize Band*

## **Harpurhey and Moston Silver Prize Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Founded as the Harpurhey and Moston Public Subscription Band sometime before 1900. The Bevan name became associated with the Band when Reece Bevan joined in 1905 as a euphonium player. The band disbanded at the outbreak of the 1914 war and was reformed in 1919 by Reece Bevan, who became its leader, bandmaster and Drum Major. It was formed as a private company by 10 members who donated 10 pounds each from their services gratuities to purchase instruments etc.. It had a strict rule that all shareholders must take an active role in the Band either as a player or official. The Band included five of Reece Bevan's sons. In 1930 the Band purchased the bandroom in Factory Lane, Harpurhey. Reece Bevan was Secretary of the Manchester and Districts Amateur Brass Band Association for over 20 years, and was a pioneer of the Brass Bands Association. Reece Bevan lived at 31 Leyland Street, Harpurhey. At the time of his retirement from the band at the age 74, Reece's five sons plus four grandsons were active members of the Band, together with a further 20 members. The band used to march for the local churches at Whit Sunday etc. and play in the Bigart Hole Clough band stand on Sunday evenings. A junior band was formed in 1950. J. Bevan conducted the band in the Senior Trophy contests in the early 1950s. The band finally disbanded in the late 1950's . Bevan playing members were - sons: Harold, Jack, Jim, Bill, Eric, and grandsons: Eric jnr. Clifford, Arthur, ?. Clifford went onto be a member of the Temperance Seven and a Doctor of Music, Eric Jr. was a member of the East Lancashire Regimental Band serving in Germany.

## **Harpurhey Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1906

## **Harpurhey Mission Brass Band**

Active in 1891

## **Harpurhey Public Band**

See: *Harpurhey Subscription Prize Band*

## **Harpurhey Subscription Prize Band**

Active in the 1890s

## **Harraby Hill House Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

The house was originally St Cuthbert's Workhouse, built in 1809. On the creation of the Fusehill Union Workhouse in 1863, Harraby Hill remained for children. The Harraby Hill Workhouse School closed following the 1870 Education Act. By 1901 it was an Industrial School. The band, apparently, was ended by the start of the Great War.

## **Harraby Secondary School Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1960s

## **Harraton Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Also active in 1963

## **Harrington Brass Band** - Cumberland

Formed in 1861, conductor Mr Hunt, members were employees of Messrs Williamson and Sons' Shipbuilding Yard. Still active in 1864

## **Harris CE High School Brass Band** - Rugby, Warwickshire

Active in 1965

## **Harrison and Sons (Bank Foundry) Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1852

- Harrison's Printing Works Band** - High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire  
Formed in 1936
- Harrogate Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1970 - Note: Other related bands: Harrogate Silver Band, Harrogate Borough Band
- Harrogate Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1901 and disbanded in 1939. For further information see:  
[www.harrogateband.org/hbhist.htm](http://www.harrogateband.org/hbhist.htm)
- Harrogate Congregational P.S.A. Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active around 1900, conductor G. Hare
- Harrogate Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Harrogate Volunteers Band*
- Harrogate Silver Prize Band**  
See: *Harrogate Temperance Band*
- Harrogate St John's Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1940s
- Harrogate Subscription Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1880 - presumed to have folded before 1888 when the new "subscription" band was formed.
- Harrogate Subscription Band (2)**  
See: *Harrogate Temperance Band*
- Harrogate Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
At a Town's meeting on 8th June 1888 it was decided to have a free subscription band in Harrogate. The residents of Harrogate subscribed to provide a permanent brass band, appointing J. Sidney Jones, bandmaster of the Leeds Rifles, as its conductor. The band gave its opening concert in the Montpelier Gardens on 16 July 1888. Changed name to Harrogate Silver Prize Band in the 1920s and, after a hiatus during World War 2, finally disbanded in 1956. For further information see: [www.harrogateband.org/hbhist.htm](http://www.harrogateband.org/hbhist.htm)
- Harrogate Volunteer Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1861 to the 1890s
- Harrold Temperance Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in 1867
- Harrow Green Crusaders Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the early 1900s and 1920s
- Harrowbarrow Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1880s. Also in existence between 1906 and 1909. In 1907 they played for a Friendly Society procession at Linkinhorne, then in 1908 they performed at a sale of work in Stokeclimsland and the next day at a Harrowbarrow fund raising event in aid of the local football team and band funds. That same evening the band played for dancing. I can find no record of who conducted them and they certainly did not indulge in any contests.
- Harston Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
See: *Harston Young Men's Brass Band*
- Harston Young Men's Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1862, 1864
- Hartford Motors Concert Brass Band**  
See: *Oxford Concert Brass*

**Harthill Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the 1880s. On June 3rd 1871 the Whit Monday processions were headed by three Benefit Societies. The Golden Ball Club was headed by the Band of the Worksop Rifle Volunteers, and on reaching Wheat Sheaf, the Wheat Sheaf Club fell in and was headed by the Harthill Band. Subsequently both Clubs joined the Abbey Sick and Friendly Society, the whole forming an interesting procession, and were marched to the Abbey Church where a very appropriate service was preached by the Reverend E.Hawley.

**Harthill Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Formed in 1872, still active in 1884

**Harthill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Harthill Amateur Brass Band*

**Harting Brass Band** - Sussex

Founded around 1892

**Hartington Amateur Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1864 to 1871. Conductor Mr Oliver in 1867

**Hartington Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Hartington Amateur Brass Band*

**Hartland Temperance Band** - Devon

Formed in the early 1890s, disbanded during WW2. Also known as Hartland Town Band and Harton Town Band. Conductor J.S. Haynes in 1897. A successor band was formed in 1960

**Hartland Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1960

**Hartland Town Band**

See: *Hartland Temperance Band*

**Hartlepool (Youth and Community) Silver Band** - Durham

[current band]

**Hartlepool Artillery Band**

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Hartlepool Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Hartlepool Borough Band**

See: *Hartlepool Temperance Band (2)*

**Hartlepool Corporation Brass Band**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Hartlepool Cycling Club Brass Band**

Formed in the mid-1880s

**Hartlepool Excelsior Band**

Active in 1870.

**Hartlepool N.E.R. Band**

See: *West Hartlepool N.E.R. Band*

**Hartlepool Old Boys Band**

Active in 1921

**Hartlepool Operatic Band**

See: *West Hartlepool Old Operatic Prize Silver Band*

### **Hartlepool Prize Band**

See: *West Hartlepool Borough Band*

### **Hartlepool Public Prize Band**

Active from the 1940s to the 1970s

### **Hartlepool Recreation Band**

See: *West Hartlepool Recreation Band*

### **Hartlepool Silver Band - Durham**

[current band] - Founded in 1925 - Former names: West Hartlepool Mission Band - Note: Hartlepool Public Prize Band ?

### **Hartlepool Temperance Band (1)**

Active in 1896, when it won second prize in a contest at Wharton Park, Durham, conducted by Mr Holdsworth

### **Hartlepool Temperance Band (2)**

Formed in 1899, became Hartlepool Borough Band in 1900, disbanded in 1906. Its instruments were subsequently bought by Shiney Row Band.

### **Hartley Bottle Works Brass Band - Seaton Sluice, Northumberland**

Active in 1858. The Royal Hartley Bottleworks, which once dominated the harbour, was one of the largest of its kind in England, closing in 1872 after the nearby Hartley Pit closed and the port lost its customers and traffic.

### **Hartley Brass Band**

See: *Hartley Wintney Brass Band*

### **Hartley Main Colliery Band**

See: *Dudley Colliery Band*

### **Hartley Street Mission Brass Band - Sunderland, Durham**

Active in 1888

### **Hartley Wintney Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor in 1872 was Mr Bennett

### **Harton and Westoe Colliery Band - Durham**

[previous name of current band] See: *Westoe Brass Band*

### **Harton Colliery Band - Durham**

[previous name of current band] See: *Westoe Brass Band*

### **Harton Colliery Band**

Formed around 1842. Competed in the Morpeth Band Festival in 1873. Folded around 1878. A successor band was formed in 1911 when the colliery adopted the players of the Tyne Dock Temperance Band to form Harton Colliery Band, now currently known as Westoe Band.

### **Harton Town Band**

See: *Hartland Temperance Band*

### **Hartshead Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Hartshead Moor Victoria Brass Band*

### **Hartshead Moor Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Hartshead Moor Victoria Brass Band*

### **Hartshead Moor Victoria Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in the 1860s. They rehearsed at the Grey Ox Inn. It promoted a contest in 1876

### **Hartshill Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in 1858, conductor Herr Winzer

- Hartshorne Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Hartwell Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1857 to 1865. Conductor James Cheshire in 1865
- Harvey and Snyner's Saxhorn Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1858
- Harwich Amateur Brass Band** - Essex  
Active from the 1850s to the 1880s
- Harwich and Dovercourt Excelsior Band** - Essex  
Active in 1883.
- Harwich Brass Band** - Essex  
See: *Harwich Amateur Brass Band*
- Harwich Church Lads Brigade Band** - Essex  
Active in 1912
- Harwich Concert Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Harwich Royal British Legion Brass Band*
- Harwich Excelsior Band** - Essex  
Active in 1884.
- Harwich Royal British Legion Brass Band** - Essex  
[current band] - Founded in 1957 - Former names: Grange Brass Band, Grange Silver Band, Harwich Concert Band (1970s to 1990s) - Note: Formed as an education class in Harwich in 1957
- Harwich Town Silver Band** - Essex  
See: *Harwich Town Temperance Band*
- Harwich Town Temperance Band** - Essex  
Formed in 1921. Changed its name to Harwich Town Silver Band in 1923, and Harwich Town Band in 1933 (so reed could be included). Did 2 trips to Holland and Belgium in 1935 for Philco Radio Company. Internal problems saw a lot of members leave in 1936 although the Band soldiered on until 1941, when most of its instruments and equipment were lost during an air raid on Harwich.
- Harwood Brass Band** - Harwood-in-Teesdale,  
Active in 1897 when it played at the Langdon Beck Show in September
- Harwood Dale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1860
- Harworth Brass** - Nottinghamshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1930s - Former names: Harworth St Johns Ambulance and Colliery Silver Band, Harworth Colliery Welfare Band, (reformed in 1976), Harworth Colliery Caledonian Mining Band (1980s), R.J.B Brass, Harworth Brass (2001)
- Harworth Colliery Caledonian Mining Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Harworth Brass*
- Harworth Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Harworth Brass*
- Harworth St Johns Ambulance and Colliery Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Harworth Brass*
- Haselbury and North Perrott Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset  
Founded in October 1865, conductor H.G. Halfyard. Still active in 1868

### **Hasland and Chesterfield United Band**

See: *Chesterfield and Hasland Brass Band*

### **Hasland Prize Silver Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s. "Our village also had a prize silver band and this was linked in a way with our Wesleyan chapel, owing to the fact that the primitives had a 'pipe organ and proper pews' and that the Wesleyans had a harmonium. On the occasion of the Sunday School anniversary, members of the local band would be invited to 'help with the music' and any local violinist, 'cellist, clarinettist etc. would also come along."

### **Haslemere Institute Band - Surrey**

Active from the 1890s. After losing members in the Great War, it amalgamated with the remaining players of the Haslemere Town Band.

### **Haslemere Town Band - Surrey**

[current band] - Founded in 1837 - Note: Amalgamated with Haslemere Institute Band post 1918

### **Haslingden and Helmshore Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1972 - Former names: Amalgamation of Haslingden Borough Temperance Band + Helmshore Public Prize Band

### **Haslingden Borough Prize Band**

See: *Haslingden Temperance Band*

### **Haslingden Borough Temperance Band**

See: *Haslingden Temperance Band*

### **Haslingden Church Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s

### **Haslingden Rifle Volunteers Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1860s to 1880s. 88th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Haslingden)

### **Haslingden Temperance Band - Lancashire**

Instituted in April 1884 and began contesting in 1887. In that first year entered 8 contests, winning 6 prizes totalling £52 10s. Later renamed Haslingden Temperance Prize Band, it became Haslingden Borough Prize Band in 1922 and eventually merged with Helmshore Public Prize Band in 1972 to form the current Haslingden and Helmshore Band

### **Hastings All Saints Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Also known as the All Saints and St Clement's Brass Band

### **Hastings and St Leonards Brass Band (1) - Sussex**

Active in 1851

### **Hastings and St Leonards Brass Band (2) - Sussex**

Formed in July 1937. (Presumably some time after the demise of the Hastings and St Leonards Gospel Temperance Band - Another report gives the formation date as February 1938). Disbanded during WW2 and reformed, holding its first rehearsal in February 1946, conducted by T. Medhurst. Merged with Pevensey Silver Band in 1968 to form Sussex Brass

### **Hastings and St Leonards Gospel Temperance Band - Sussex**

Active in the early 1900s. In 1903 the Bandmaster was C. Overington, Treasurer D. Russell, Secretary H. Fellows, Corresponding Secretary G. Facer. It had attended 47 engagements in 1902, and consisted of 19 members. Gordon Waters reports: There is mention in the local papers of them playing at churches and events, but I have yet to trace anything listing the membership, or the coming or going of the band. The local museum has nothing on them. They had certainly ceased to exist well before WW2, long

before Sussex Brass came into existence. Among the tenor horn players is my wife's great-grandfather George Jeffery, who also played in the Hastings 1 (later Hastings Citadel) Salvation Army band. Caleb, one of his sons and my wife's great-uncle, was the bandmaster and went to prison when the Salvation Army were persecuted for holding open air services on the beach. If you've seen "Brassed Off" when Pete Postlethwaite is in hospital and the band play outside wearing their miners helmets, Brighton Congress Hall SA band actually cycled out to Lewes and played hymn tunes by the light of carbide cycle lamps outside the prison to keep Caleb's spirits up. He wore his Bandmaster's uniform to prison before he had to change into prison clothing. One of George Jeffery's other sons Tom (my wife's grandfather) was the bandmaster of Hastings 2 (Silverhill) band. I have quite a collection of Hastings SA band photos spanning the years.

**Hastings and St Leonard's Town Band** - Sussex

See: *Hastings Town Band*

**Hastings Borough Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s

**Hastings Corporation Band** - Sussex

See: *Hastings Borough Band*

**Hastings Excelsior Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1903

**Hastings Gas Board Band** - Sussex

Active in 1867

**Hastings Police Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Hastings Southern Railway Band** - Sussex

Active in 1928.

**Hastings Town Band** - Sussex

Active in 1867 and between 1893 and 1905

**Hastings Working Mens' Club Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1867

**Hastings Youth Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1970s

**Haswell Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Haswell Colliery Band*

**Haswell Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s

**Hatfield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*

**Hatfield Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Hatfield Peverel Parish Brass Band*

**Hatfield Coalpower Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*

**Hatfield Colliery (DHP Interiors) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*

**Hatfield Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1947 - Former names: Hatfield Main Colliery Band, Hatfield Colliery (DHP Interiors) Band, Wilfreda Beehive Hatfield Band (1990s), Hatfield

Coalpower Band (2003), Hatfield Band (to 2006), Powerfuel Hatfield Colliery Band (to 2011)

**Hatfield Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*

**Hatfield Peverel Parish Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1891, conductor F.J. Diaper. Still active in 1923, conductor Horace Moore.

**Hatfield Regis Boys Brass Band**

Formed during WW2 by Gilbert Hutchin.

**Hatfield Town Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1880s

**Hatfields of Colchester Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Colchester Band*

**Hatherleigh Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1862 to the 1880s

**Hatherleigh Methodist Band** - Devon

[no information]

**Hatherleigh Silver Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1909 - Former names: Hatherleigh Town Band - Note:

Formed before 1909

**Hatherleigh Temperance Band** - Devon

Active in the 1880s

**Hatherleigh Town Band** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatherleigh Silver Band*

**Hatherleigh Volunteers Band** - Devon

Formed around 1860 and disbanded before 1909

**Hathern Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1917 - Former names: Hathern United Prize Band, Hathern Prize Band (1933), - Note: Amalgamation of Hathern Old Prize Brass Band and Hathern Prize Brass Band in 1917

**Hathern Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Hathern Foresters Band*

**Hathern Foresters Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1866. Later known as Hathern Brass Band, Hathern Old Brass Band (to 1894) and finally Hathern Old Prize Brass Band. Amalgamated with Hathern Prize Band in 1917 to form the current Hathern Band

**Hathern Old Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Hathern Foresters Band*

**Hathern Old Prize Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Hathern Foresters Band*

**Hathern Prize Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Hathern Band*

**Hathern Prize Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in the 1860s. Hathern Old Prize Brass Band in 1917 to form the current Hathern Band

**Hathern United Prize Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Hathern Band*



**Hathersage Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1882 - Former names: Hathersage United Brass Band

**Hathersage Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Formed in 1883, conducted by Mr Field

**Hathersage United Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Hathersage Brass Band*

**Hathershaw Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1980s

**Haugh Brass Band** - Kelvinkaugh, Lanarkshire  
 See: *Alexander Stephen and Sons' Brass Band*

**Haughton and Denton Band**  
 See: *Denton and Haughton Old Band*

**Haughton Dale Brass Band**  
 See: *Haughton Village Brass Band*

**Haughton Village Brass Band** - Haughton Dale, Lancashire  
 Active in 1885

**Hauxley Colliery Band** - High Hauxley, Northumberland  
 Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Havant British Legion Band**  
 Active in the 1930s

**Havant Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1897, conductor H. Treagust

**Havant Primitive Methodist Brass Band**  
 Active in 1897

**Havant Town Band**  
 Active in the 1930s

**Havelock Brass Band** - London  
 Active in 1863

**Havelock Concert Brass** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
 Youth band active in the 1980s

**Havelock Temperance Band** - Great Bridge, Staffordshire  
 Active in 1865, 1866

**Haverfordwest Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 Active in the 1870s

**Haverfordwest Town and County Youth Band**  
 See: *Haverfordwest Town Band*

**Haverfordwest Town Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 [current band]

**Haverfordwest Town Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 Founded by Joffre Swales, possibly in the 1950s. Folded in 2004.

**Haverhill Ancient Shepherd's Brass Band**  
 See: *Haverhill Shepherds Brass Band*

**Haverhill Brass Band** - Suffolk  
 Active in the 1840s to 1880s. Also known as Haverhill Old Brass Band. Conductor C. Mixon in 1891

**Haverhill Co-operative Silver Band** - Suffolk  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Haverhill Silver Band*

**Haverhill Oddfellows Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active to WW1. Probably formed after the demise of the Haverhill Old Band. After the war, in 1920, its remaining members joined with those of the Shepherds band to form Haverhill Co-operative Silver Band, which would eventually become the current Haverhill Silver Band.

**Haverhill Old Band**

See: *Haverhill Brass Band*

**Haverhill Shepherd's Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active from the 1870s to WW1. Conductor E. Gunnell in 1904. After the war, in 1920, its remaining members joined with those of the Oddfellows band to form Haverhill Co-operative Silver Band, which would eventually become the current Haverhill Silver Band.

**Haverhill Silver Band - Suffolk**

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Former names: Haverhill Co-operative Silver Band - Note: Formed by the merger of members of the pre WW1 Haverhill Oddfellows and Shepherds bands

**Haverigg Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Also known as St Luke's Haverigg Band

**Havering Youth Brass Band - Essex**

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Haversham Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in the 1980s

**Haverstock Silver Band - Camden, Middlesex**

Active in the 1950s

**Haverthwaite Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1908, conductor R. Watson

**Haverton Hill and Billingham Band - Durham**

Formed in 1898 and folded in the mid 1950s. Conductor Mr Hoskinson in 1899. A successor band was formed in 1971.

**Haverton Hill Silver Band (1)**

See: *Haverton Hill and Billingham Band*

**Haverton Hill Silver Band (2) - Durham**

Formed in 1971 and folded prior to 2000.

**Hawarden Brass Band - Flintshire**

Founded in November 1863, conductor Mr Wrigley. Competed at a contest at Hawarden in 1896

**Hawarden Volunteers Band - Flintshire**

Active in the 1900s

**Hawes Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Hawes Silver Band*

**Hawes Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1858. Had folded prior to 1865 when the current Hawes Silver Band was formed

**Hawes Silver Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1865 - Former names: Hawes Brass Band

**Hawes, Denny and Hargreaves Brass Band - Jackfield, Shropshire**

See: *Messrs Hawes, Denny and Hargreaves Brass Band*

**Hawick Saxhorn Band** - Roxburghshire

[current band] - Founded in 1855. The band was re-organised in 1869

**Hawk Green Brass Band** - Cheshire

[current band]

**Hawkes and Company's Excelsior Brass Band** - London

Active in 1870, conducted by H. Sibold

**Hawkesbury Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1865

**Hawkesbury Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the early 1900s to 1915. Conductor W. Smart in 1905

**Hawkesbury Harmonic Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Hawkesbury Upton Harmonic Society Band*

**Hawkesbury Upton and Didmarton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1864

**Hawkesbury Upton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Hawkesbury Upton Harmonic Society Band*

**Hawkesbury Upton Harmonic Society Band** - Gloucestershire

Played at the annual tea party in the village, conducted by Mr J Bickerton, in August 1864. Still active in 1869.

**Hawks, Crawshay and Sons Brass Band** - Gateshead, Durham

The Hawks Crawshay engineering iron works operated from 1748 to 1889. The band was active in 1856, conductor Mr Luke in 1862, T.S. Watson in 1868. Still active in 1868

**Hawkshead Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1852

**Hawley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Bradford Brass Band*

**Hawnby and Bilsdale Brass Band**

See: *Bilsdale and Hawnby Brass Band*

**Hawnby Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s. Played at Mr and Mrs Tancred's Silver Wedding in Helmsley in 1887. Merged with Bilsdale Brass Band some time after 1909.

**Haworth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1860 - Former names: Merrall's Spring Head Band, Spring Head Brass Band, Haworth Public Prize Band - Note: Other related bands: Ponden Band

**Haworth Public Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Haworth Brass Band*

**Haworth's Mills Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Founded in 1886

**Hawthornden Brass Band** - Otley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed around 1889 by Mr Henry Dacre. He interested himself in a group of Otley choir boys and took them to his home, Hawthornden, and there gave them an undoubtedly good musical training. Soon he procured for the lads a set of brass instruments and the Hawthornden Band was born. The band folded in 1904. This was the start of his social activities in the town, which included building the Otley Recreation Hall and gardens. Sadly, when he died in 1913, his estate was insolvent, his generosity being based on significant debts to many creditors in the town.

**Hawthorne Brewery Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flowers Band*

**Hawthorn's Locomotive Works Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Messrs Hawthorn's Works Brass Band*

**Haxby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1841

**Hay Brass Band** - Hay-on-Wye, Brecknockshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Secretary R. Jones in 1856

**Hay Mill Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1880

**Haydock and Ashton Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Greenalls Brass Band*

**Haydock and Ashton Youth Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Greenalls Brass Band*

**Haydock Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1861 - Former names: Band of the Lancashire Hussars, Haydock Colliery Band

**Haydock Colliery Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Haydock Band*

**Haydon Bridge Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active between the 1850s and 1980s. Folded 26th Nov 1984, but did not wind up its charitable status and distribute its assets until 1997.

**Haydon Bridge Saxhorn Band**

See: *Haydon Bridge Brass Band*

**Haydon Wick Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1899

**Hayes and Harlington Silver Band**

Formed 1929 as Hayes Prize Band. Another source quotes the original name as the Botwell Brotherhood Band. Following the London Borough changes it became Hillingdon Band in 1974. The conductor at one time was Phillip Sparke the composer, they had a few successes and made it into the top section. Later known as Hillingdon Borough Band and then Denham Brass, it merged with the John Laing Hendon Band in 1998 to form the Denham Hendon Brass Band.

**Hayes Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s to 1928. Conductor A. Newman Sheriff in 1905

**Hayes Prize Band**

See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

**Hayes Silver Band**

See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

**Hayfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1860s through to WW2. Conductor John Wrigley in 1883

**Hayle Town Band** - Cornwall

There was a town band in operation in 1858 through to sometime after 1891 when it disappeared. By 1908 there was a reformed town band. This is known as there was a Mr Head, a band cornet player, who took part in a solo contest at Newquay, representing the Truro band, and it would seem that the band was back in business under a Mr M.A.C.Trebilcock, attending to the usual run of Sunday school and Band of Hope tea

treats. During the 1914/18 Great War, Hayle Band continued to function despite a "Hayle Military Band" being formed by one Harry Robins, a man who was conducting St Agnes and Perranporth bands before and after his sojourn at Hayle. After WW1 they took on the title Hayle Comrades of the War Band, then Hayle Town Band on then on to Hayle Silver Band. In 1925, John Tanner, who had been conducting the St Ives Band, took over. There was, later, a C Williams conducting and in 1938 the Welshman Beth H David came along. Apart from an appearance in 1912, contests were mainly carried out from 1925 to 1938. During this period one 1st is recorded, their results being mainly placings. WW2 saw the demise of the band and it was not until 1973 that a new band was formed in Hayle. To find out more, they do have their own excellent website on IBEW.

**Hayling Island Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in 1868

**Haylocks Band - Enfield, Middlesex**

Active in the early 1900s

**Hays Mill Brass Band - Ovenden, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1847 - attached to the Hays Mill belonging to Thomas Taylor and Son.

**Hayward Heath Brotherhood Brass Band**

See: *Haywards Heath Town Band*

**Haywards Heath Concert Brass Band - Sussex**

[current band] - Founded in 1998

**Haywards Heath Scout and Guide Band Band - Sussex**

Active from 1974 to 1997

**Haywards Heath Town Band - Sussex**

Originating from a brass and reed band formed in the 1880s by George Hilton, the Brotherhood Band. This was an all brass band by the early 1900s. It was reformed after WW1, in 1922 as the all-brass Haywards Heath Town Prize Silver Band. The band was renamed Haywards Heath Town Band in 1978. Support fell off over the next few years and the band amalgamated with Burgess Hill Brass Band in 1986 to form the Mid Sussex Brass Band.

**Haywood Borough Band**

Active in 1884

**Hazel Grove Brass Band**

Formed in 1850, played at all the anniversaries in the town during the reign of Queen Victoria. They had a tradition of playing every Christmas Day, for 100 years, at the local Liberal Club. The band represented the same Sunday School in Ashton-under-Lyne at 50 consecutive Whit Marches. In 1950 the band folded, partly due to the closure of a local factory which employed many of the players and also housed the rehearsal venue. Some members joined with the new Mirlees Blackstone Works Band which was formed in 1949. A successor band was formed in 1992

**Hazel Grove Brass Band - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1992

**Hazel Grove Silver Band**

See: *Hazel Grove Brass Band*

**Hazell Watson and Viney Brass Band**

See: *Hazells (Aylesbury) Printing Works Band*

### **Hazells (Aylesbury) Printing Works Band**

Band of Hazell, Watson and Viney Ltd. (printers and binders, Aylesbury and London). Made its first appearance in the town in 1887. Active in 1890s through WW1 to the 1960s. Performed a broadcast on the National Programme from 6.45 to 7.30, Saturday evening, January 28th 1939. Some notes from Jan Unsworth - "My great grandfather, William Smith, was involved with Hazell's Printing Works Band for 40 years, 16 of those years he was Bandmaster, until his retirement in 1934, he was also an employee of Hazell's for 49 years. During his leadership the Band won many cups and trophies and gained success at leading band competitions. The outstanding achievement was in 1932 when, at Hanwell, they were placed second in the Championship section, and my great grandfather was awarded a gold medal as the best amateur conductor. Music was always the outstanding interest in his life. He had been the bandmaster of the Volunteers' Company Band, and the Bucks Territorials Band and, in the days of the Comrades' Orchestra, he acted as its conductor. His son, Aubrey Smith, my grandfather, was also a very talented man and played many instruments, trumpet, piano, accordian, drums, bugle, cornet, My grandfather also had his own band, Aubrey Smith's Dance Band, and continued playing with Hazell's Printing Works band after my great grandfathers death."

### **Hazelmere Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s

### **Hazelrig and Coxlodge Colliery Band**

See: *Coxlodge and Hazelrig Colliery Band*

### **Heacham and District Band - Norfolk**

Active in the 1930s

### **Heacham Brass Band - Norfolk**

Active in the 1850s to 1859

### **Head Wrightson Works Band**

See: *Yarm and District Band*

### **Headingley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1850, 1862

### **Headington Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Oxford Silver Band*

### **Headington Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in the 1850s to the early 1880s (conductor George Terry). A successor band (the current City of Oxford Silver Band) was formed in 1887.

### **Headington Silver Band - Oxfordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Oxford Silver Band*

### **Headington Subscription Band - Oxfordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Oxford Silver Band*

### **Headington Wesleyan Temperance Band - Oxfordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Oxford Silver Band*

### **Headless Cross Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1880s and around 1900

### **Headless Cross Victoria Brass Band - Worcestershire**

See: *Headless Cross Brass Band*

### **Heage Brass Band (1) - Derbyshire**

Active in 1868

**Heage Brass Band (2) - Derbyshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1914 - Former names: Heage Silver Band, Heage United Band

**Heage Silver Band - Derbyshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Heage Brass Band*

**Heage United Band - Derbyshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Heage Brass Band*

**Heald's Green Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the mid to late 19th century. It later moved to central Chadderton where, as Chadderton Brass Band, it played local heroes out to the Boer War in 1899. It also welcomed home from the Olympic Games, in the early decades of the 20th century, Henry Taylor, the local champion swimmer. William Halliwell was appointed professional conductor in 1906. When the First World War was declared, virtually all members of the Chadderton Band enlisted. These included one of the trombonists, James Moore, who at 49 was the oldest man to enlist in the Oldham Pals, the local battalion of the Manchester Regiment. Active as Chadderton Brass Band up until WW2. Some members of the band joined the Busk Congregational Prize Band after WW2.

**Heald's Green Old School Band**

See: *Heald's Green Brass Band*

**Healey Hall Amateur Brass Band - Whitworth, Lancashire**

See: *Healey Hall Brass Band*

**Healey Hall Brass Band - Whitworth, Lancashire**

Active from the 1850s. Conductor Edmund Hartley in 1863. Became defunct and was wound up in the courts as of 18th June 1884. It amalgamated with the Whitworth Vale Band shortly afterwards. It was connected with the woollen mill in Healey Dell. It played for special services in Healey Church, and for concerts and dances in the grand ballroom of Healey Hall.

**Heamoor Brass Band - Cornwall**

Heamoor Brass Band was performing at the usual run of engagements from the 1860's through to about 1935. In 1909 they were conducted by a J C Matthews and in 1934 by H P Richards. They took part in two local contests, one in Camborne and the other at Redruth. At Camborne they played in Section 4 and came 3rd, then at Redruth, conducted by Charles H Baker, in Section 3 they were unplaced but in the Junior Section they came in 3rd playing the march "The Old Warrior" and won £1.

**Heanor Band of Hope Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1889

**Heanor Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1869

**Heanor C.E.T.S. Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Heanor Church Temperance Band*

**Heanor Church Temperance Band - Derbyshire**

Formed in 1889, conductor John Sharpe. Active through to at least 1918

**Heanor Miners Welfare Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1926, when it entered the Spondon Contest, conducted by F. Beecroft

**Heanor Old Prize Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Heanor Town Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1889. Active in 1897

**Heap Bridge Brass Band**

See: *Bury Public Silver Band*

**Heart of England Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Formed in 1987 from some of the ashes of the Jones and Crossland Band. Only lasted until 1991. Also known as Hyundai Heart of England Band, and PMG Heart of England Band.

**Hearts of Oak Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

**Heath and Reach Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Heath Band*

**Heath and Reach Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1950s.

**Heath Band** - Bedfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1933 - Former names: Heath and Reach Brass Band

**Heath Brass Band** - Heath and Reach, Bedfordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Heath Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Active in 1864

**Heath Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Formed around 1904

**Heath County School** - Chesterfield, Derbyshire

Active in the 1970s

**Heathfield Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1899

**Heathfield Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded around 1890

**Heaton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1853

**Heaton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor in 1860 was Benjamin Bennett

**Heaton Congregational Band**

[no information]

**Heaton Mersey and District Band** - Lancashire

See: *Heaton Sunday School Brass Band*

**Heaton Mersey Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Heaton Sunday School Brass Band*

**Heaton Mersey Subscription Band** - Lancashire

See: *Heaton Sunday School Brass Band*

**Heaton Moor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s

**Heaton Park Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1899

**Heaton Sunday School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1873 when it headed up 800 members of the Bleachers and Finishers' Association in a procession to celebrate the Prince of Wales visit to Bolton in June that



year. Still active through the 1890s. Renamed Heaton Mersey and District Band in 1899, conductor J.H. White, and was still active up to WW2. Dan Leigh conductor in the 1900s

### **Hebburn Artillery Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s

### **Hebburn Brass Band**

See: *Hebburn Town Band*

### **Hebburn Colliery Band (1)** - Durham

Formed in 1879 by William Reid, (another source states 1860), the band won the Crystal Palace National Championships in 1904, conducted by Angus Holden. The band's victory tour however displeased the colliery management to the extent that some men were dismissed from the pit on their return. Folded in 1907. A newspaper report in December 1907 states: "The Hebburn Colliery Band did much by its fine playing to brighten the colliery village on Tyneside. But it had the misfortune to win the £1,000 challenge trophy at the Crystal Palace two years ago. Outside engagements poured in, and proprietors felt that they were not justified in supporting the band when it so seldom played in the village. So they withdrew their support and the band has been given up. This is not a pleasant story." The band's instruments were subsequently acquired by the Benwell and District Band.

### **Hebburn Colliery Band (2)** - Durham

See: *Hebburn Town Band*

### **Hebburn Colliery Subscription Band**

See: *Hebburn Town Band*

### **Hebburn Colliery Temperance Band** - Durham

Founded in 1898. Active in 1901. A separate band to Hebburn Colliery Band - they both entered contest at Tynemouth in 1901, the main colliery band won the contest, the Temperance Band was conducted by George Hawkins.

### **Hebburn Harmonic Band** - Durham

Active in 1907 and 1937

### **Hebburn Temperance Band**

See: *Hebburn Colliery Temperance Band*

### **Hebburn Town Band** - Durham

Formed in 1874 and still active in 1915. Conductor J. Garbutt in 1881. Renamed Hebburn Colliery Subscription Band in 1907, taking the name of the defunct band which folded that year. It was still active into the 1930s, folding when the colliery closed.

### **Hebden Bridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1850

### **Heckington Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Heckington Old Brass Band*

### **Heckington Old Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1860. In 1863 it played at the Helpringham Harvest Home Festival, in September that year. Also active in 1866 when it led the Oddfellows parade at Fulbeck.

### **Heckington Temperance League Band** - Lincolnshire

[no information]

### **Heckington Town Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1907. In 1924 it took part in Heckington Feast. In 1933 a new honorary conductor, Mr W Bangay, was appointed. Presumed to be a successor band to the

Heckington Old Brass Band. Amalgamated with Sleaford Town Band to form Sleaford and District Band, probably in the late 1940s?

**Heckmondwike Albion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s. Took part in the Second South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, at Nether Hall Park, Doncaster, on 25th June 1860. Conductor H. Goodall and leader J. Parker in 1860.

**Heckmondwike and District Gospel Temperance Brass Band**

See: *Heckmondwike Temperance Band*

**Heckmondwike Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860

**Heckmondwike Flush Mills Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1859. Active through to the 1880s. Conductor J.M. Sykes in 1860.

**Heckmondwike Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1888

**Heckmondwike Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Heckmondwike Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Hedingham Brass Band**

See: *Sible Hedingham Brass Band*

**Hedleyhope Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1860s

**Hednesford Town Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1880s. The whole band (those who were eligible) enlisted with the 15th Service Battalion of the King's Royal Rifle Corps in January 1915.

**Heeley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the first half of the 20th century. "My dad and his brothers and my cousins all played in the Heeley Brass Band and if the Dore band were playing a special fete or sports day they used to go and play with them to augment their numbers. They always travelled from Heeley Station to Dore and Totley Station by train and then walked up Dore Road to the village."

**Heeley Excelsior Band**

See: *Heeley Brass Band*

**Hele Brass Band** - Devon

Active from the late 1880s to WW1. Conductor W.H. Whiddon in 1907

**Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Band** - Dunbartonshire

[current band]

**Helland Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed about 1890 they kept up a fairly busy life until 1927 when what was left of them became the nucleus of the Bodmin Town Band. Known as Bodmin Comrades Band after WW1 for a time. In their earlier days they were conducted by George Bailey who went on to conduct St Blazey and District Band until the day of his retirement. A R. Symons conducted the Helland Band before and after World War 1. No contesting was ever carried out.

**Helland Brass Band**

See: *Helmshore Public Prize Band*

**Hellesdon and Sprowston Brass** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 2004 - Note: Amalgamation of Hellesdon Enterprise Brass Band and Sprowston Band

**Hellesdon Enterprise Brass Band** - Norfolk

Founded in 1996, formed from members of the Norwich British Legion Band. Merged with Sprowston Band in 2004 to form Hellesdon and Sprowston Brass

**Helmsdale Brass Band** - Sutherland

Active in the 1860s

**Helmshore Prize Band**

See: *Helmshore Public Prize Band*

**Helmshore Public Prize Band** - Lancashire

Formed in the 1870s, it eventually merged with Haslingden Borough Prize Band in 1972 to form the current Haslingden and Helmshore Band

**Helmsley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1840s to the 1900s

**Helsby Athletic Club Brass Band**

See: *Helsby Brass Band (Cheshire)*

**Helsby Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Had 8 members, under the conductorship of Mr E Helsby. They played at the Olympia Skating Ring each Saturday and were report as rendering excellent music at the first Rumworth Reservoir Regatta in 1882.

**Helsby Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1890, conductor Mr Bate in 1895. It folded in 1896 only to be revived shortly thereafter, in April 1897. Mr C. Bate was appointed conductor, and H. Turner, secretary. The band was then under the management of the Athletic Club and was also then known as Helsby Athletic Club Brass Band. In the 1900s it became known as Helsby Silver Band and was still active in 1917

**Helsby Family Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Formed around 1895. On a Sunday afternoon there was a large family gathering at one of the family's houses, when someone said 'Well. There are enough of us, why not form a band of our own again!' They sent a hat round and the collection amount to 4 shillings and 6 pence. They went to see an instrument firm, where they struck a deal and 13 Helsby's and a drummer started a band. Another tale told is one day while carrying out a Church procession in Farnworth one wit called out in excited tones, 'Hello Helsby there, I say Helsby!' Every member looked round on hearing his name called, causing a temporary breakdown in the performance. In about 1912 the family became scattered across the country and this was the end of the band. Many of the family members went on to play in other local bands, notably one, Mr Thomas Helsby, became conductor of Eagley Brass Band.

**Helsby Silver Band**

See: *Helsby Brass Band (Cheshire)*

**Helston Temperance Band** - Cornwall

Active in from the early 1900s through to WW1.

**Helston Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s

**Helston Volunteers Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor H. Blight in 1888

**Helton Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1913

**Hemel Hempstead Band** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1888 - Former names: Dickinson's Silver Prize Band, John Dickinson Band, Atlas Copco Band (1987-2000) - Note: Amalgamated with Berkhamsted and Boxmoor Band in 1987

**Hemingbrough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Bubwith and Hemingbrough Brass Band*

**Hemington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s

**Hemsworth and South Kirkby Public Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Hemsworth Brass Band**

See: *Hemsworth Old Brass Band*

**Hemsworth Colliery Athletic Club Brass Band** - Fitzwilliam, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1932

**Hemsworth Colliery Band** - Fitzwilliam, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s to 1960s

**Hemsworth Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in from the 1850s to 1900. Bandroom was the King's Head Inn, Hemsworth, Wakefield. Conductor E. Shaw in 1860.

**Hemsworth Saxhorn Band**

See: *Hemsworth Old Brass Band*

**Hemsworth United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1916, later known as Victoria Street Mission Band

**Hendersons Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in 1887 when it led a procession for Queen Victoria's Jubilee celebrations in Jarrow - "June 21st this being Jubilee Day the town of Jarrow and surrounding district celebrated the day in right loyal style. Upwards of 7,000 children gathered at the educational centres to be regaled with buns, spice loaf, milk and tea. The masters attended the little folks and mistresses of the schools assisted by a number of ladies and gentlemen volunteers as waiters. After the tea the children prepared to start for the Recreation Ground where sports and entertainment were to be provided for them. Before the start was made each child received a present of a Jubilee Mug. On each of them were portraits of the Queen representing her in 1837 and the present year.. Each mug bore the words "Jubilee 1887 Jarrow on Tyne". The tea finished the young folk set off in two processions one headed by Hendersons Brass Band and the other by the Tyne Dock and Jarrow Temperance Band. "

**Hendon Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1956, later known as John Laing (Hendon) Band. Within just eight years, under the direction of Donald Morrison, they were upgraded to 'Championship' Section rating. They enjoyed many contest successes, appearing in the national finals at the Royal Albert Hall on many occasions and also making regular appearances on BBC radio programmes. It merged with the Denham Band in 1998 to form the Denham Hendon Brass Band.

**Hendon Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1923

**Hendon Central Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1962, when it competed in the Senior Trophy, conducted by D.M. Morrison

**Hendon Mutual Temperance Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed in January 1893. Bandmaster Samuel Curle.

**Hendon Silver Band** - Middlesex

Formed in June 1938

**Henfield Town Band** - Sussex

Active between 1890 and 1914.

**Henley Brass Band** - Henley-in-Arden, Warwickshire

Active in the early 1880s

**Henley Brass Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active in the 1840s to the 1880s

**Henley Excelsior Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active in the 1920s

**Henley Mechanics Brass Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active in 1886

**Henley Town Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active from the 1920s to the 1960s

**Henley Union Brass Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active in 1868

**Henley Victoria Brass Band** - Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire

Active in 1868

**Hensingham Band of Hope Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1893

**Hensingham Brass Band** - Cumberland

See: *Hensingham Mechanics Brass Band*

**Hensingham Mechanics Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1857. Leader Thomas Richardson in 1863, Mr Harrison in 1866. Still active in 1867 (secretary William Piele)

**Hensingham Temperance Band** - Cumberland

See: *Hensingham Band of Hope Brass Band*

**Henstridge Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s. Conductors, Mr Roberts in 1888, J. Coombes in 1889, G.W. Coombs in 1891, R. Roberts in 1893, F. Haines in 1899, Mr Chatfield in 1928, P.G.G. Hocking in 1929, Mr Carter in 1932.

**Henwood Band** - Cornwall

Henwood Band was in action from c1858 to c1868, generally playing around North Cornwall. Nothing is as yet known of their conductor(s), but it is known that they did not partake in contesting.

**Heptonstall Amateur Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Heptonstall Brass Band*

**Heptonstall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s through to the 1920s. Held a social evening at White Horse Hotel, Heptonstall, on 14th February 1891

**Hepworth (Cookson Homes) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1882 - Former names: Hepworth Silver Band, Hepworth Silver Prize Band, Hepworth Band (to 2006), Hepworth (Lanson Homes) Band

- Hepworth (Lanson Homes) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Hepworth (Cookson Homes) Band*
- Hepworth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Hepworth (Cookson Homes) Band*
- Hepworth Iron Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active from the 1880s through to at least 1945.
- Hepworth Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Hepworth (Cookson Homes) Band*
- Hereford and Worcester Combined Schools Band** - Herefordshire  
 Active from the 1970s to the 1990s
- Hereford and Worcester County Youth Band** - Herefordshire  
 See: *Hereford and Worcester Combined Schools Band*
- Hereford Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
 Active in the 1840s and 1850s, conductor Mr Ribbon
- Hereford City Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
 Active in 1854, conductor William Horne
- Hereford Oddfellows Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
 Active in 1859, conductor John Dearn.
- Hereford Railway Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
 Founded in 1858, still active in 1863
- Heriot's Hospital Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian  
 Active in 1866. Heriot's Hospital was the original school of a number of "Heriot" schools in Edinburgh
- Herland Cross Band**  
 The only reference to this band is of them leading a large and impressive procession celebrating the end of the war with Russia in 1856. By this date they were almost certainly a "brass band". The event took place in Marazion but they were almost certainly an ad hoc band (all established bands would have already been booked in their own towns for an event such as this), so there is no mention a leader.
- Herne Bay Brass Band (1)** - Kent  
 Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor Mr Tingley in 1874
- Herne Bay Brass Band (2)** - Kent  
 Founded around 1904, still active in 1928
- Herne Bay Excelsior Band** - Kent  
 Active in the 1900s
- Herne Bay Town Band**  
 See: *Herne Bay Brass Band*
- Herne Hill Working Men's Institute Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Founded in 1865, first public performance in July 1866. Still active in 1867
- Herodsfoot Band** - Cornwall  
 Another band where only one engagement has so far been found. In 1870 they played for their local Bible Christian Sunday school anniversary procession and tea treat. And that appears to be all.
- Herrington Colliery Band** - West Herrington, Durham  
 Active in the 1890s

**Herstmonceux Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1902 when it rehearsed in the Elm Coffee Tavern, Windmill Hill. Conductor Mr Trill in 1905

**Hertford Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in July 1852. Active in 1853, conductor George Catling, treasurer Mr Easthaugh, secretary F. Drummond

**Hesketh Bank Silver Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Note: Formed as a temperance band. The instruments were bought from Banks Brass Band, the band from the village next door, and cost four pounds.

**Hesketh Bank Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1881, folded prior to 1895 when the current Hesketh Bank Band was formed (it also started as a temperance band)

**Hesley and Wilsic Schools Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s

**Heslington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1863 to 1865

**Hessle Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1860 when it played at a celebration for the Hull Rifle Volunteer Corps at Hesslewood on 28 July, 1860. Conductor S. Akester in 1860. Also in 1870 at a similar event at Kingston Lodge, Hessle on August 11.

**Hessle Church Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Reconstituted in 1896

**Hessle Halcyon Band**

See: *Hessle Royal British Legion Band*

**Hessle Royal British Legion Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in the early 1900s as Hessle Halcyon Band. It later became the Scarrs Shipyard Band under which name it remained until the 1914-1918 war. Then it became known as the Hessle Victory Military Band and included woodwind instruments. During the 1939-1945 war the instruments were loaned to the home guard. When the home guard was disbanded in late 1945, the band started again under the name of Hessle Band. Changed its name to Hessle Royal British Legion Band in 1947. Finally disbanded around 1990. For further details see "Hessle Royal British Legion Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Hessle Youth Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in February 1954 by Mr Hill, it gave its first concert on 27th July 1954. Later named the E.R. Youth Band, it had reverted back to Hessle Youth Band by 1973.

**Heswall Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s

**Hetton Brass Band**

See: *Hetton Saxhorn Band*

**Hetton Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s and still active in 1931.

**Hetton District Saxhorn Band**

See: *Hetton Saxhorn Band*

**Hetton Rechabite Brass Band**

Active in 1894

### **Hetton Saxhorn Band** - Durham

Active in 1878 and the early 1880s

### **Hetton Silver Band** - Durham

Founded on April 1st 1887 by three members of a public house band. They invited local musicians to a meeting in Hetton Union Street Methodist Church School. Their first conductor was Mr W Straughan - a violinist and trombone player. Land in South Market Street, in Hetton-le-Hole, was bought from Hetton Coal Company for £25 and a tin practice hut was built. The hut was replaced by a brick building in about 1912 and remained in use until 2009. The band briefly disbanded in 1900, and was reformed in 1901. Between then and 1907 the band won numerous local contests but their real success began in 1908 when they won both the Durham and Northumberland Brass Band championship and the English and Scottish International Contest. In 1912 they won the Grand Shield at the Crystal Palace contest. The band had strong links with the Mining Industry and played for the Eppleton Miners Lodge in the Durham Miners Gala. In 1914 the band won the 2nd section at Belle Vue in Manchester, and in 1926 made a radio broadcast in 1926 from Newcastle Radio Station. It again won the 2nd Section at Belle Vue in 1947. In the 1970s and 1980s it moved up from the 4th section to play in the Championship section. In 2009 the remaining members of the band amalgamated with Broughtons Brass Band to form the Durham Miners Association Brass Band. The Hetton Band Hall, now redundant, was offered to Beamish Museum. It was moved, brick by brick, and rebuilt and restored at Beamish Museum, opening in May 2013.

### **Hetton-le-Hole Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1903

### **Heworth Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1881, conductor R. Brown

### **Heworth Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Felling Band*

### **Hexham Brass** - Northumberland

[current band] - Founded in 2010

### **Hexham Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1850 to the 1860s

### **Hexham C.E.T.S. Band** - Northumberland

See: *Hexham Church of England Temperance Band*

### **Hexham Church of England Temperance Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1890s, renamed as Hexham Excelsior Band by 1905, it folded in the 1950s

### **Hexham Excelsior Band** - Northumberland

See: *Hexham Church of England Temperance Band*

### **Hexham Excelsior Town Band** - Northumberland

See: *Hexham Church of England Temperance Band*

### **Hexham Home Guard Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1944

### **Hexham Mechanics Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. New uniforms in 1880

### **Hexham Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1859

### **Hexham Temperance Band** - Northumberland

See: *Hexham Church of England Temperance Band*



**Hexham Union Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1864, when they played at the Hexham Flower Show in September

**Hexham Volunteers Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1864, when they played at the Hexham Flower Show in September. Still active in 1902

**Hexthorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s. Edward Newton conductor in 1908

**Heybridge Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s to WW1

**Heyl Town Band** - Hayle, Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Heyside Public Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Heytesbury Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1883 and 1905

**Heywood Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Heywood Borough Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1869, active through to the 1900s. Another report gives its formation date as 1880 (during a court case in 1889 where a publican tried to get monies owed to him for renting a room to the band by "liberating" some of their instruments).

**Heywood Ltd. Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Attached to the firm of John Heywood Ltd, publishers.

**Heywood Mills Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Conductor J. Ellwood, leader W. Kershaw in 1860.

**Heywood Mission Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Heywood Old Prize Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1900. Conductor Isaac Wherton in 1902. Heywood Advertiser, May 1945: "On Tuesday morning, it rained to some purpose, and it looked as if there was to be a damper on the day's proceedings, but fortunately it cleared for the impressive scene in the Market Place in the afternoon. Here a very big crowd assembled and was regaled with a programme of music by the Heywood Old Prize Band, under Bandmaster H Wilson. At 3 o'clock there was perfectly relayed the Prime Minister's sonorous declaration that peace had come to Europe, the big assembly listening in complete silence, breaking into spontaneous applause as Mr Churchill ended his address." Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by H. Smith (who took up the baton in 1956).

**Heywood Rifles Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1885

**Heywood Unitarian Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1878

**Heywood Volunteers Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1883

**Hibaldstow Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1860 to 1867

**Hibernia Brass Band** - Maesteg,

See: *Maesteg Hibernia Band*

**Hibernia Brass Band** - Plympton, Devon

Active in 1926, conductor R. Fly

**Hibernia Brass Band** - Tonypandy,

See: *Tonypandy Hibernia Band*

**Hibernian Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff Hibernian Brass Band*

**Hickleton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863, conducted by G. Kitching. Still active in 1905, presumed to have folded during WW1.

**Hickleton Colliery Band**

See: *Hickleton Main Colliery Band*

**Hickleton Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed after WW1 in the 1920s. Successful in competitions in the 1940s and 1950s. Folded in the 1970s. Herbert Batty was a cornet player with the band. During this period some other details were - Patrons: Lord Halifax, Col. Warde Aldam, Mr D Griffiths, MP. Chairman: H. Batty, 44 Queen Street, Goldthorpe. Secretary: J. Sutcliffe, 116 High Street, Goldthorpe. Winners of over £2000 in prizes. Winners Belle Vue 1946, runners up 1947. Winners at Guisboro' 1949, Barton on Humber 1949, Eckington 1949, NCB Contest at Sheffield in 1950. They wore smart uniforms, green tunics with gold facings, black trousers.

**Hickleton Main Subscription Silver Prize Band**

See: *Hickleton Main Colliery Band*

**Hickleton Main Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Hickling and Nether Broughton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Nether Broughton Brass Band*

**Hickling Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1856 to 1868

**Hicks Mill Band** - Cornwall

Again a one engagement band, this time in 1880 playing in St Day for the Primitive Methodists Sunday school treat.

**High Barnet Foresters' Brass Band**

Founded on 31st January 1889 by the Court Pride of Barnet Foresters. Corporal Yeomans of the 7th Kings Royal Rifles Corps was appointed as its first Musical Director at the first committee meeting in February 1889. The band's first engagement was at The Green Man on March 18th 1889.

**High Barnet Town Band**

Active in 1907

**High Bickington Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1864 to 1869

**High Coniscliffe Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1854

**High Crompton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1930s

**High Crompton Holy Trinity Schools Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in August 1868, secretary William Warhurst, conductor James Wood

**High Crompton Public Band** - Lancashire

See: *High Crompton Brass Band*

**High Foresters Brass Band**

See: *Barnet Town Silver Band*

**High Green Brass Band (1)** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**High Green Brass Band (2)** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2001 - Former names: High Green Primary School  
Community Brass Band

**High Halden Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1861 to 1867

**High Lane Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1861 to the 1930s

**High Lane Church Schools Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1865

**High Lane Foresters' Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1900, conductor George James

**High Park Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**High Peak Brass Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 2002 - Amalgamation of Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Band and  
Whaley Bridge Band

**High Peak Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the early 2000s

**High Spen Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1900s

**High Town Brass**

See: *Kent's Works Silver Band*

**High Wycombe Borough Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1920s to the 1950s

**High Wycombe Brass Band**

See: *High Wycombe Saxhorn Band*

**High Wycombe Excelsior Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1930s

**High Wycombe Furnishing Trades Lock-out Band**

See: *Furniture Industries (Ercols) Works Band*

**High Wycombe Home Defence Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1919

**High Wycombe Saxhorn Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1874 to 1893

**High Wycombe Sons of Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1880s to WW1.

**High Wycombe Temperance Band**

See: *High Wycombe Sons of Temperance Band*

**High Wycombe Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1925 as a military band, then reformed in 1948 as a brass band. Competed in  
the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth

(organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950.

**High Wycombe Youth Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1970s

**Higham and Gawber Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Higham Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Higham Ferrers Brass Band*

**Higham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Higham Ferrers Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1858, with 16 young men initially. Still active in 1866

**Higham Ferrers Town Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1

**Higham Ferrers Wesleyan Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1923

**Higham Victoria Brass Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1900s. Secretary A. Allan in 1890

**Highams Park Silver Band** - Chingford, Essex

[no information]

**Highbridge Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1890s to the late 1930s. Re-organised in 1903.

**Highbridge Town Band**

See: *Highbridge Brass Band*

**Highclere Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s. Merged with the East Woodhay Mechanics Band (or, as it was possibly then known, the St Martin's Brass Band) in the early 1900s. Thereafter also known as Highclere Mechanics Band. Still active in 1910

**Highclere Mechanics Band**

See: *Highclere Brass Band*

**Highclere Volunteers Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1907

**Highcliffe Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1909

**Highcliffe British Legion Silver Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Christchurch and Highcliffe Brass Band*

**Highcliffe Men's Club Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Christchurch and Highcliffe Brass Band*

**Highcliffe Men's Club Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1970s

**Higher Broughton Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1901, conductor J. Jessop. Still active in 1918

**Higher Tranmere Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s

**Higher Walton Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

### **Highfield Brass Band**

See: *Leicester Highfield Brass Band*

### **Highfield Secondary Modern School Band - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

### **Highfield Tannery Silver Band - Runcorn, Cheshire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Highgate and Barnsbury Brass Band - Middlesex**

See: *Highgate Silver Band*

### **Highgate and Holloway United Band - Middlesex**

See: *Highgate Silver Band*

### **Highgate Brass Band - Clayton, Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Highgate Mills Band*

### **Highgate Brass Band - Middlesex**

See: *Highgate Silver Band*

### **Highgate Mills Band - Clayton, Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1862 to 1867. New uniforms in 1862, consisting of blue cloth tunic, blue cloth trousers, with a red stripe down each leg, blue cloth cap.

### **Highgate Silver Band - Middlesex**

Founded in 1879 as Highgate and Barnsbury Brass Band, conductor J.W. Seed in 1896. Probably merged with the Holloway Crusaders Band to form Highgate and Holloway United Band around 1912. The band made a trip to Guernsey in 1919 which was reported in the local press and of which some postcards exist. An article in the "Star" of 1919 mentions that the band had taken over as the band of the Middlesex RAMVC 'two years ago'. Articles in the Press and the Star mention a bandsman Wreford Devoto. He was born in Yeovil, and in 1901 his father, Louis, was described as a salvation army officer. Three Devotos were players in the staff band of the New York Salvation Army, who are believed to be William Devoto, son of Louis and brother of Wreford, and his sons. The visit to Guernsey started on 6th June 1919, under the guise of the band of the Middlesex Royal Army Medical Corps, under the direction of Lt. J. H. Kichenside, and they were engaged for five two-hour performances in Candie Gardens over the Whitsuntide Holiday of 7-9 June, 1919. Admission was sixpence on Saturday, fivepence on Sunday and Monday, and chairs could be had for a shilling. They received an excellent review in the paper of Monday 9th, although on Saturday afternoon they had played "we regret to write, before a comparatively small attendance of the public". Back home, the Woodman Inn, at the junction of Archway Road and Muswell Hill Road, was owned by landlord Charles Ramsay who took over in the 1840s and didn't retire until the 1890s. In 1884 it was still surrounded by trees and fields, and was little changed from when it was a coaching inn. It was refurbished c.1920, and at that time was still a waiting point for carters who waited for a carter coming in the opposite direction so that each in turn could take advantage of the extra horse when surmounting Muswell Hill. The Highgate Silver Band used to play outside of Saunders the florist, opposite the Woodman Inn every Sunday morning. Subsequently became the Arsenal Football Club Band, which was active in the 1930s.

### **Highgate United Silver Prize Band**

See: *Highgate Silver Band*

### **Highlands School Brass Band - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1970s

### **Highley Band** - Shropshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Highley Colliery Band*

### **Highley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Formed around 1900, later known as Highley Colliery Band, and sometimes as Alvey Colliery Band. It was disbanded in 1967 when the mine closed. It is believed its first conductor was a head pit surveyor called Horace Lloyd, who also owned Lloyds shop in High Street. The Highley Mining Company began trading in 1877 and soon became a profitable enterprise. It was taken over by the National Coal Board in 1947 and employed over 1,000 men at its peak. A new band of the same name was formed in 1993.

### **Highley Colliery Band** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1993 - Former names: Highley Band - Note: Formed by a number of locals from other local bands, was renamed Highley Colliery Band at the millenium when celebrations of the village's mining past were taking place. The band's uniform today is green and black to remember the green of the local Shropshire countryside and the black of the local mines. The original Highley Colliery Band was formed around the turn of the twentieth century and disbanded in 1967 when the mine closed.

### **Highley Colliery Band**

See: *Highley Brass Band*

### **Highstreet Brass Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

Active in 1856

### **Hightown Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the 1870s. Walter Atkinson, who conducted Hawick Saxhorn Band for 15 years until his death in 1904, started his career as a cornet player with the Hightown Band.

### **Highweek Brass Band** - Devon

In 1908 it combined with the Wolborough Brass Band to form Newton Abbot Town Band

### **Highworth Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1850, conductor J.H. Bates in 1853

### **Highworth Oddfellows Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the late 1850s. They paid for their own instruments and also 3d per week towards uniforms, music and the band carriage.

### **Highworth Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1880

### **Hignett's Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Hignett's Tobacco Works Band*

### **Hignett's Tobacco Works Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1888. Active through to the 1900s

### **Hilgay Brass Band**

Active in 1896, possibly earlier. It is thought that the band was formed by a few men working on the land for the local farmers. The Rev Canon Beechy seems to be a prominent name in the early days of 1896-1899 also the Rev G MacDermott. In the early 1900's the band was to be renamed as Hilgay Excelsior Band and, despite surviving both world wars, it folded in 1961. A successor band, Hilgay Silver Band, was formed in 1972 using some of the original instruments a few of the old players.

### **Hilgay Excelsior Band**

See: *Hilgay Brass Band*

**Hilgay Silver Band** - Norfolk  
 [current band] - Founded in 1972

**Hill Field Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire  
 Active in 1858

**Hill Top Brass Band** - Eastwood, Nottinghamshire  
 See: *Eastwood Hill Top Brass Band*

**Hill Top Methodist New Connexion Brass Band** - Eastwood, Nottinghamshire  
 See: *Hill Top Mission Brass Band*

**Hill Top Mission Brass Band** - Eastwood, Nottinghamshire  
 Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Hillfarrance Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Formed in 1899 (dropping the "Druids" name of the previous band). President W. Elton, Vice-president C. Conybeare, Secretary W. Snell, Treasurer Miss Elton. Conductor Herbert F. Mead in 1905. Still active in 1914

**Hillfarrance Druids Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Active in the early 1890s, folded in 1897. A successor band was formed in 1899

**Hillhouse L.M.S. Railway Steam Shed Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1920s

**Hillhouse Temperance Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1886 and 1888

**Hilliers Brush Manufacturing Band** - Wells, Somerset  
 Active in the 1890s

**Hillingdon Band**  
 See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

**Hillingdon Borough Band**  
 See: *Hayes and Harlington Silver Band*

**Hillingdon Borough Youth Band**  
 Active in the 1970s

**Hillingdon Church Temperance Prize Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Founded in 1903, conductor A.J. Sopp, and still flourishing during WW1

**Hillmorton Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
 Active in 1858, 1861

**Hillsborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1856, and from the 1890s to WW1.

**Hilltown Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
 Active in 1859, conductor Robertson Wallace. Still active in 1863

**Hilton and Marston-on-Dove Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Hilton Colliery Brass Band** - Essington, Staffordshire  
 Active

**Hilton Street Mission Band** - Harpurhey, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Hinchcliffe Mill Band**  
 See: *Hinchliffe Mill Band*

**Hinchliff Mill Brass Band**  
 See: *Hinchliffe Mill Band*

**Hinchliffe Mill Band** - Holmfirth, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1872, folded in 2000. Legend has it that in the early days a pig used to be borrowed from a farmer and placed on a wall to listen during rehearsals. If the pig remained quiet and contented the bandsmen took it they would do well at their forthcoming concert. Grunting was a sign that the chances of winning a prize were not good at all. Harry Haigh, who joined in 1918 and was bandmaster from 1938 until 1970, followed in his father's footsteps. At different times he had two uncles, a brother and three cousins playing alongside him in the band. His grandfather was a founder member of the band. There was a hiatus during the Second World War, when the exodus of players into the armed forces led to a temporary merger with Holme Silver Band. Following the band's demise in 2000 a charity was founded, with money raised by selling the band's assets, to help music-makers living and working in the Holme Valley. It is the Hinchliffe Mill Brass Band Music Charity.

**Hinckley Brass Band**

See: *Hinckley Excelsior Band*

**Hinckley Excelsior Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1840s to WW1. Conductor Thomas Stretton in 1860.

**Hinderwell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1869

**Hindley Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1855 to 1879

**Hindley Prize Band**

See: *Hindley Subscription Band*

**Hindley Public Band** - Lancashire

The second band in the town and was probably, for a time, the more successful of the two. Being a mining area several players graduated to more successful colliery bands including several to Bickershaw Colliery in the 1940's. Hindley Public disbanded in the late 1950's. (It is believed that Teddy Gray and Harry Mather both graduated from Hindley Public) Only 2.5 miles from Wingates in one direction and a similar distance to Bickershaw in another, both Hindley bands found it very difficult to retain their better players.

**Hindley Rifles Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Hindley Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1929. Became Hindley Prize Band in the late 1960's and following a brief period of success went into decline and was disbanded in the early 1980's

**Hindolveston Silver Band** - Norfolk

Active from the 1900s to the 1970s

**Hindon Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1930s. Conductor Mr Lamb in 1865, Mr Snook in 1887, A.H. Lamb in 1913

**Hindsford St Anne's Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1883, linked to the parish church in the village.

**Hingham and Watton Band** - near Norwich, Norfolk

Active in the 1900s



**Hingley's Silver Prize Band** - Dudley, Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s. This was the works band of the chain and anchor company owned by N. Hingley and Sons Ltd, which was famous for making the anchors for the Titanic ocean liner.

**Hinkley Mills Band** - Leicestershire

[no information]

**Hinkley Town Band**

Active in 1904

**Hinton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1897

**Hinton Martell Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1860s to the late 1880s. Conductor Mr Dacombe and secretary H.G. Tubbs in 1885

**Hirwaun Brass Band (1)** - Glamorgan

Active in 1866

**Hirwaun Brass Band (2)** - Glamorgan

Formed around 1925, still active in 1960. A Hirwaun Silver Band was active in 1918.

**Hirwaun Town Band**

See: *Hirwaun Brass Band (2)*

**Hirwaun Welfare Band**

See: *Hirwaun Brass Band (2)*

**Histon and Impington Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1980s. Folded in 2006 and merged with Waterbeach Brass

**Hitchin Band** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1860s (active in 1863)

**HM Factory Gretna Band**

The munitions factory band was formed in 1917 and entertained the thousands of munitions workers at the Border Hall in Gretna and the Central Hall in Easttriggs. It also led the Armistice Day celebrations of November 1918. A tuba belonging to the band was bought for £50 in 1921 by the Brampton Silver Band, who have now donated it to the Devil's Porridge Exhibition in Easttriggs.

**HMF Micklehurst Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Carrbrook Brass*

**Hobourn Aero Works Band** - Rochester, Kent

Formed post WW2? linked to the Hobourn Aero Components Company. Active from the late 1940s until it amalgamated with Medway Imperial Silver Band to form the current Medway Towns Band. Renamed City of Rochester Band at some point.

**Hobourn's Works Rochester City Band**

See: *Hobourn Aero Works Band*

**Hobson Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1900 - Hobson Pit, Burnopfield.

**Hockering Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1865, conductor J. Sandle

**Hoddesdon Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1862, conductor H. Dymock. Still active in 1866

**Hoddesdon and Broxbourne Silver Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1907 and 1914 - C.W. Belsham bandmaster, F. Salmon secretary. Edwin Dixon treasurer

**Hoddesdon and Broxbourne Town Band** - Hertfordshire

See: *Hoddesdon and Broxbourne Silver Band*

**Hoddesdon Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed around 1892

**Hoddesdon Town Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1935

**Hoddesdon Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1866

**Hoddlesden and Pickup Bank Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s to the 1920s. Had some backing from the local Carus Mill in Hoddlesden. Also known, at various times, as Pickup Bank Subscription Prize Band, Hoddlesden Shepherds Brass Band and Pickup Bank Band. After World War 2 it struggled to retain players and in 1950 it merged with the Darwen Borough Prize Band to form Darwen and Hoddlesden Silver Band.

**Hoddlesden Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1859 and 1863

**Hoddlesden Shepherds Brass Band**

See: *Hoddlesden and Pickup Bank Band*

**Hodges Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in 1848

**Hodges and Sons' Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

See: *Messrs Hodges and Sons' Brass Band*

**Hodgsons Recreational Club Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed around 1930, obtaining instruments from the recently disbanded Beverley United Prize Band. It lasted until 1938, by which time it had become a brass and reed band. When it disbanded, its instruments went to the National Fire Service in Hull and then on to the Army Cadet force in Beverley in 1945. The instruments were then passed on to the Cadets at Sutton Airfield and subsequently mysteriously disappeared.

**Hodroyd Hall Brass Band** - South Hiendley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1910s

**Hogarth Mission Band** - Whitehaven, Cumberland

Active in the 1900s. The mission church had originally been built by the linen manufacturer James Hogarth.

**Hoggarths Tractor Works Band**

See: *Hoggarths Works Band*

**Hoggarths Works Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1950s, associated with Hoggarths Tractor Works. In the 1980s was renamed as the Warburtons Bakery Band. Folded in the mid-1990s

**Hoggett's Saxhorn Band** - Darlington, Durham

The Hoggett family were well known in Darlington for their music and bands

**Hogthorpe and Chapel St Leonards Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1920s

**Hogthorpe Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Holbeach Brass Band**

See: *Holbeach Saxhorn Band*

### **Holbeach Community Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Holbeach Town Band*

### **Holbeach Mission Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Holbeach Saxhorn Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1840s to the 1890s. Conductor J. Swann in 1848, later the leader was William Rippin, a blind watchmaker, until his untimely death in 1857.

### **Holbeach Town Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Holbeach Community Band (to 2000)

### **Holbeach Town Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s, merged with the Holbeach Victoria Band to form the Holbeach Town Victoria Band in 1904

### **Holbeach Town Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Formed after WW1 - renamed Holbeach Silver Band in 1938 (when it obtained silvered instruments). Disbanded well before 1971 when the current band was formed.

### **Holbeach Town Victoria Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1904 through the merger of the Holbeach Town and Victoria Bands, had folded prior to or during WW1.

### **Holbeach Victoria Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Merged with the Holbeach Town Band to form the Holbeach Town Victoria Band in 1904

### **Holbeck Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

### **Holborn Hill Brass Band**

See: *Holborn Hill Royal Brass Band*

### **Holborn Hill Royal Brass Band** - Millom, Cumberland

[current band]

### **Holborn Hill Royal Brass Band** - Millom, Cumberland

Founded in 1868. Conductor George Mudge in 1870, William Stephens in 1895. Active through to the early 1980s. Acquired the "Royal" title following an appearance in front of Prince Arthur of Connaught in 1874.

### **Holborn Poor Law Schools Band**

See: *Holborn Schools Brass Band*

### **Holborn Schools Brass Band** - Mitcham, Surrey

Active in 1876 and through to 1905. Conductor J.F. Beeson (Besson?) in 1904. The Schools, originally established in 1856, provided accommodation, education and 'industrial training' for pauper children away from the main workhouse. The band, which performed at local functions, led to a career for some as military bandsmen.

### **Holborn St Josephs's Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1905

### **Holborn Street Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *East Hull Prize Silver Band*

### **Holborn Union School Band**

See: *Holborn Schools Brass Band*

**Holcombe Brass Band** - Devon  
 See: *Holcombe Rogus Brass Band*

**Holcombe Rogus Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in 1866, 1905

**Holden Clough Primary School Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
 Active in 1995

**Hollin Bank Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire  
 Formed in 1879, conductor A. Grimshaw.

**Hollingbourne Brass Band** - Kent  
 Active in 1854

**Hollingworth and Longdendale Band** - Cheshire  
 See: *Hollingworth Brass Band*

**Hollingworth Brass Band** - Cheshire  
 Formed in 1854. Folded in 2011

**Hollingworth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1866

**Hollingworth Mills Brass Band** - Cheshire  
 Active around 1900

**Hollingworth United Brass Band** - Cheshire  
 Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Possibly the same as Hollingworth and Longdendale Band

**Hollins Mill Brass Band** - Marple, Cheshire  
 Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor Wright Bowers in 1868

**Hollinsclough Silver Band** - Staffordshire  
 [current band] - Founded in the 1960s

**Hollinsclough Silver Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1920s. A successor band was formed in the 1960s

**Hollinswood Brass Band** - Shropshire  
 Active in 1872

**Hollinwood and District Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1930s

**Hollinwood and Failsworth Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1890s

**Hollinwood Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 See: *Ferranti's Works Brass Band*

**Hollinwood Public Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Hollinwood United Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1893 when it gave two grand concerts in the Foxdenton Hall Pleasure Gardens on May 14th. Conductor was George Blackwell, Soprano cornet - Hamlet Hilton, Solo cornet - J.T. Bolton, Solo Trombone - A. Rollinson, Solo Euphonium - Robert Holt.

**Holloway Crusaders Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the 1910s

**Holloway Hall Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the 1900s

**Holloway Town Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the 1910s - a separate outfit to the Holloway Crusaders.

**Holly Bush Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1900s

**Hollybrook Boys' Band** - Southampton, Hampshire  
[no information]

**Holm Mills Brass Band** - Marsden, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Holme Mills Silver Band*

**Holmbridge United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1944

**Holmbury St Mary Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1910s

**Holme Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in 1840

**Holme Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Holme Silver (Disposables UK Group) Band*

**Holme Bridge Brass Band** - Holmbridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1870s to WW1.

**Holme Mills Silver Band** - Marsden, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the mid-1860s to WW1.

**Holme Silver (Disposables UK Group) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in the early 1860s - Former names: Holme Brass Band, Holme Silver Band

**Holme Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Holme Silver (Disposables UK Group) Band*

**Holme Valley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1918

**Holmes Hull Tannery Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1845, leader Thomas Martin

**Holmes Mills Prize Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1920s to 1960s. Played at the Wickersley Silver Jubilee celebrations on May 6th, 1935. Also the King Edward VII School sports day on 24 March 1945. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by W. Hargreaves.

**Holmes Quest Brass Band**  
Active in 1991 when it competed in the East Anglian BBA Spring Festival.

**Holmesdale Band**  
See: *Redhill Town Band*

**Holmesfield and Barlow Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Barlow and Holmesfield Band*

**Holmesfield and Baslow Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1868

**Holmesfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Barlow and Holmesfield Band*

**Holmewood Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s to 1912, conductor A. Raughton in 1904.

**Holmewood Colliery Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor G. Hutchinson in 1903. Disbanded in 1906

**Holmfirth and District United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1870

**Holmfirth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s. Conductor H. Pogson, leader J. Beaumont in 1860.

**Holmfirth High School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s and the 1980s

**Holmfirth Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Holmfirth Brass Band*

**Holmfirth Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855. It was attached to the Holmfirth Mechanics Institute.

**Holmfirth Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1923 and the 1980s

**Holmfirth Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor William Roberts in 1860.

**Holmfirth Wesleyan Sunday School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Holmrook Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1864

**Holmsfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1872

**Holmshill School Brass Band** - Borehamwood, Hertfordshire

Active in 1970

**Holmwood Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the late 1890s and 1900s, conductor and founder George Snelling. Folded around 1909.

**Holsworthy Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the late 1870s to the mid-1890s, folded for a short while and was revived around 1900, folding a few years later. A successor band - the current Holsworthy Town Band, arose out of the existing Stanhope Park Band in 1906

**Holsworthy Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in the 1880s - Former names: Stanhope Park Band (to 1906)

**Holt and Farndon Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Farndon & District Brass Band*

**Holt Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1892, secretary H. Welch

**Holt Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1867, Mr Preston conductor. Still active in 1892, Arthur Preston bandmaster

**Holwell Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1889, first public appearance in May that year. Members also came from neighbouring villages of Ab Kettleby and Wartnaby, the uniforms were supplied by Messrs John Beaver and Co., Huddersfield.

**Holy Cross Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active around 1900

**Holy Cross Brass Band** - Whitwick, Leicestershire

Formed in 1868 by Rev. A. Paemel, the catholic priest of Holy Cross Church, initially with 12 members under the tuition of Mr W. Start of Sheepshed. Their instruments were of Butler's manufacture.

**Holy Cross Croy Silver Band** - Croy, Lanarkshire

Active before WW1, when Henry Fortyn was bandmaster.

**Holy Name Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1907, 1908

**Holy Trinity Boy Scouts Band**  
Competed in the Crystal Palace (Boys Section) contest in 1920. Presumed to have been located in or around London.

**Holy Trinity Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Linked to the Holy Trinity Sunday Schools in the town.  
Conductor J. Warner in 1893

**Holy Trinity Brass Band** - Parr, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s

**Holy Trinity Industrial School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Grafton Street Industrial School Brass Band*

**Holy Trinity Working Men's Institute Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
Active in 1866

**Holyhead Brass Band** - Anglesey  
Active from the early 1860s to WW1. Conductor in 1889 was O. Jones

**Holyhead Marine Brass Band** - Anglesey  
Active around 1890, when the conductor was Richard Rowlands

**Holyhead Oddfellows Brass Band** - Anglesey  
Active in the 1870s

**Holyhead Town Band** - Anglesey  
Formed after WW1 and active through to WW2. The conductor, R.J. Edwards, was drowned at sea in 1935.

**Holymoorside Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1860s - Former names: Holymoorside Band, Brampton and Holymoorside Band - Note: Merged with Brampton Band, and was closely associated with the Whittington Band

**Holyoake Amateur Brass Band** - Redditch, Worcestershire  
Active in 1864

**Holyoakes Field Brotherhood Brass Band** - Redditch, Worcestershire  
Active in 1914

**Holywell Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Active in 1853, 1862

**Holywell Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in 1878

**Holywell Flannel Mill Band** - Flintshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Holywell Town Band*

**Holywell Flannel Mills Band** - Flintshire  
See: *Welsh Flannel Mills Band*

**Holywell Row Silver Band** - Suffolk  
Founded in 1875 by Matthew Haylock, and disbanded around 1935

**Holywell Textile Mill Band** - Flintshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Holywell Town Band*

**Holywell Town Band** - Flintshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Holywell Textile Mill Band, Holywell Flannel Mill Band (to 1926)

**Holywell Volunteers Brass Band - Flintshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Home Charm Paints Thornhill Band**

See: *Thornhill Band*

**Home Evangelizing Society Brass Band - Shoreditch, Middlesex**

Active in 1859

**Home for Little Boys Band - Hextable, Kent**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. The Home for Little Boys (also known as the Home for Orphan Boys) was established in 1875. In its early years, the home was advertised as catering 'the fatherless boys of domestic servants and others in like circumstances.' Its intake later became the 'fatherless or motherless boys of respectable parents, who have not received parish relief.'

**Home for Little Boys Brass Band - Kent**

See: *Farningham Home for Little Boys Brass Band*

**Honington Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in 1899 through to the early 1950s. Walter Goddard was bandmaster in the late 1940s

**Honiton (RBL) Band - Devon**

[previous name of current band] See: *Honiton Band*

**Honiton Band - Devon**

[current band] - Founded in 1956 - Former names: Honiton Borough Band, Honiton (RBL) Band (1976) - Note: Formed when the then Honiton Borough Council, having found unused instruments in its stores, asked housing officer Jim Kendal if a band could be reformed.

**Honiton Borough Band - Devon**

[previous name of current band] See: *Honiton Band*

**Honiton Brass Band (1) - Devon**

Formed in 1854, folded before 1863.

**Honiton Brass Band (2) - Devon**

Founded in 1864, folded before 1880.

**Honiton Brass Band (3) - Devon**

Formed as a brass and reed band in the 1880s as Honiton Volunteers Band. Converted to brass in 1904 and renamed Honiton Brass Band, it folded at the outset of WW1.

**Honiton Silver Prize Band**

See: *Honiton Town Band*

**Honiton Town Band - Devon**

Formed after 1918. After entering contests and winning a prize at Barnstaple, the band re-badged itself as the Honiton Silver Prize Band and continued to flourish. In 1939, the band joined the Territorials, as part of the Devonshire Regiment. Its members were called up for war service and the town band folded. A successor band was formed in 1956.

**Honiton Volunteers Band**

See: *Honiton Brass Band (2)*

**Honley Brass Band - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in March 1866 in connection with the Honley Working Men's Club, instruments costing £70 from Higham's of Manchester. It merged with Yorkshire Traction Band in 1997 to form Yorkshire Traction Honley Band



**Honley Victoria Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853, conductor Mr Knutton

**Hoo Silver Band** - Hoo St Werburgh, Kent

Formed in 1890 as Hoo St Werburgh Brass Band. Conductor Jack Levy (1890-1908), E. Isaby (1908-14). At one time its members were six members of the Simmons family, five Poynters, three Mathias, three Peck, two Beech and two from the Lee family. Tylden Reed recalls his time in the band: "I played in the band in the late 50s to the early 60s when the band was disbanded. The band contested for many years at the Areas in London and at Tunbridge Wells, Bell Vue, Reading and others with much success. The band was lucky to first have the renowned Eric Ball and later Prof. Walter Hargreaves from the Royal Marines School of Music Deal as its professional conductors. The band regularly played in the London parks and band stands in the south east of England. Annually we spent a weekend at Lingfield in Surrey at the invitation of Lingfield Band. We gave several concerts including at the racecourse and outside the old 'lock-up'. In the early sixties we accompanied 'The old Contemptables' (1st WW veterans) from Kent to the Mennin Gate and toured the cemeterys. The tour was filmed, with Allan Wicker, by BBC 'Tonight' programme and was shown on 11/11 that year. We were also members of the 4th Btn. The Buffs and played the last post under the Mennin Gate, the first time anyone other than the local fire brigade had ever done so. We took two uniforms with us!" . The band folded in the late 1960s, or early 1970s.

**Hoo St Werburgh Band**

See: *Hoo Silver Band*

**Hood Green Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Hooe Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1927 - Former names: Hooe Brass Band, Hooe Village Band - Note: A previous band may have been formed in 1902. Current band founded in February 1927 by Harley Smith.

**Hook and Odiham Silver Band** - Hampshire

See: *Hook, Odiham and District Band*

**Hook Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Hook Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1914

**Hook Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active around 1880 until at least 1916. Became a National Reserves Band during the war. Probably folded later during WW1 as it does not seem to have survived into the 1920s.

**Hook Norton and District Silver Band** - Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Hook Norton Brass Band*

**Hook Norton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Hook Norton and District Silver Band (1980s-1990s)

**Hook Norton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1890s to 1930s

**Hook Silver Band** - Hampshire

See: *Hook, Odiham and District Band*

- Hook, Odiham and District Band** - Hampshire  
Formed after WW1 as Hook Silver Band and active through to the 1950s
- Hook-a-Gate Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1866
- Hoole Subscription Brass Band** - Much Hoole, Lancashire  
Active in 1902, secretary Richard Holt
- Hooley Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from 1861, conductor S. Shepherd in 1866. Still active in 1867
- Hoover Bolton Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1880s - Former names: Bolton St Luke's Band, Bolton Subscription Band, Bolton Borough Prize Band, Bolton Borough Band (to 1985), Warburtons (Bolton) Band (to 1992), Hoover Band (Bolton)
- Hope Congregational Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
Active in 1931
- Hope Hall Brass Band** - Vange, Essex  
Formed in 1904
- Hopkins Solicitors Blidworth Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*
- Hopkins, Gilkes and Co. Works Band** - Middlesborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
On July 21, 1865, William Randolph Innes Hopkins married Everalde Catherine Elizabeth Hustler at St Mary's Church, Acklam, and a lavish reception was held at the hall owned by the bride's father. The Hopkins, Gilkes and Co. Works Band played, flags flew from public buildings, and at the Ironworks shots were fired from miniature cannons.
- Hopton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Hopton Perseverance Band*
- Hopton Perseverance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1863. Still active in 1866
- Hopton Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Founded in 1890.
- Hopwood Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1869
- Hopwood Free Church School Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the early 1880s, conductor Mr Jewell
- Hopwood United Methodist Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- Hopwood Victoria Mills Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s
- Horbury Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Horbury Victoria Silver Band*
- Horbury Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1868
- Horbury Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s to the 1890s
- Horbury Victoria Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1868 - Former names: Horbury Brass Band, Horbury Victoria Prize Band

### **Horden Colliery Band**

See: *Horden Silver Band*

### **Horden Juniors Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1920s

### **Horden League of Youth Band - Durham**

Active in the 1940s/1950s

### **Horden Service of Youth Band - Durham**

See: *Horden League of Youth Band*

### **Horden Silver Band - Durham**

Formed in 1908, later known as Horden Colliery Band. Became BHK UK Ltd Horden Band from 2003, folded in 2006.

### **Horfield Depot Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

### **Horley Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in 1895 to the 1900s

### **Horley Brass Band - Surrey**

Active from the 1870s to the early 1960s

### **Horley Temperance Band - Surrey**

See: *Horley Brass Band (Surrey)*

### **Hornbury Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1892 when it competed in the Whitby contest.

### **Horncastle Alliance Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1850s

### **Horncastle Amateur Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

See: *Horncastle Brass Band*

### **Horncastle Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1858, conductor T. Shaw in 1860. Still active in 1867

### **Horncastle Excelsior Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1882

### **Horncastle Jubilee Concert Band - Lincolnshire**

Probably formed around 1977. It merged with Horncastle Silver Band in the 1980s to form Banovallum Brass.

### **Horncastle Silver Band - Lincolnshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Banovallum Brass (Horncastle)*

### **Horncastle Silver Band - Lincolnshire**

It would appear that the original roots of the band are to be found in the Horncastle Volunteer Rifle Corps founded in the 1880s. There is evidence to suggest that a band from Horncastle was contesting around 1860 and won a prize drum in Boston, supposedly worth 20 guineas. The band didn't consider the drum to be worth the full 20 guineas and successfully sued the promoters of the contest in the County Court! The following year the Horncastle Band were again placed first in the same competition and received another drum, which allegedly may still survive and the plaque attached to the side lists the names of the 11 members of the band who won it. There was another brass plaque attached when the drum was lovingly restored by George Jobson and Frank Bell, relatives of two of the original bandsmen. Legend has it that Shaw, the drummer in the conquering band of 1861 was so elated that he strapped himself to his own drum and banged it throughout the town without waiting for the rest of the band to accompany

him! The Parish Clark of 1865 was also drummer in the band for a short time, but was seemingly deposed of this high ranking position by a rigged voting system whereby the lucky winner of the position of drummer actually had the casting vote. I couldn't say for sure, but one might suggest that the subsequent "washing" of the drum in "Sot's Hole" may well have been revenge under the cover of sabotage! Certainly the drum became strangely heavy and on April 17th 1867, Mr John Coates Osborne, the Parish Clark, wrote the resignation letter of the Drum! The band appears to have led the celebrations for the end of the Boer War in 1902, but this seems to have been the turning point for the collaboration of the bandsmen and the military. In 1903 the band was disbanded due to the lack of a bandmaster. A band re-emerged in 1904 (probably largely constituting the members of the old "G" Company) under the Baton of Mr Frank Blyth, called the Town and Volunteer Band. Although it was stipulated at this time that the band should play for the company when required, there is no easily obtainable documentary evidence that they ever did so! By 1911 the band was playing in the Coronation Parade Service in Woodhall Spa under the name of Horncastle Town Band. It merged with Horncastle Jubilee Concert Band in the 1980s to form Banovallum Brass.

**Horncastle Town Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Horncastle Silver Band*

**Hornchurch Cottage Homes Band** - Essex

Active in 1897 through to at least 1944. The Shoreditch Guardians of the Poor opened Hornchurch Cottage Homes in 1889. They continued in use as children's homes until 1984 - a full 95 years of residential childcare. The cottage homes had 13 houses which could each accommodate around 30 children. Many boys found places in military bands due to the training they received in the Homes' thriving band. At any time up to forty boys were in training under the eye of Matthew Larter, bandmaster until 1910, or his successor Henry Allden. However the practice which this involved was not always viewed positively by the school inspector who in 1922 urged that "if possible, the boys should not be taken for band practice during school hours". The London County Council took over the homes in 1930.

**Hornchurch L.C.C. Childrens Homes Band** - Essex

See: *Hornchurch Cottage Homes Band*

**Hornchurch Poor Law School Band** - Essex

See: *Hornchurch Cottage Homes Band*

**Hornchurch Village Band** - Essex

Active in 1910 - originally Hornchurch Volunteers Band it reverted to being the "village" band in 1909

**Hornchurch Volunteers Band** - Essex

See: *Hornchurch Village Band*

**Horns Mission Brass Band** - London

Active in 1893

**Horns Temperance Band** - Ilford, Essex

See: *Ilford Horns Temperance Band*

**Hornsby Temperance Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Hornsea Artillery Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Hornsea Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in the town in 1856 - remained active through to WW1.

**Hornsey Adult School Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. Conductor T.W. Page in 1907

**Hornsey British Legion Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Hornsey Rise Brass Band** - Middlesex

Founded in 1881, conductor H.C. Boot. It sent a letter on Feb 18th 1885 to the Alexandra Orphanage stating: "Dear Mr. Finch, We should be very pleased to offer our services for amusement of the young children at the Alexandra Orphanage. I asked Mr. May, your engineer, on the subject and he wished me to write to you. We take the Champion Journal which contains most of the popular music. Trusting we shall be able to meet your approval. I am your obedient servant, J. Edwards, Sec." Still active in 1887

**Horringer and Ickworth Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active from 1893. Conductor Fred Bugg in 1908. Still active in 1925

**Horringer Brass Band** - Suffolk

See: *Horringer Amateur Brass Band*

**Horringer Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1869. Disbanded in 1898

**Horrington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1876 and 1910

**Horsford Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1920s

**Horsforth Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855 to 1865

**Horsforth Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s. Amalgamated with Leeds City Band to form Horsforth Leeds City Band in the 1980s

**Horsforth Leeds City Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in the 1980s - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of Horsforth Brass Band and Leeds City Band

**Horsforth Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Horsforth Brass Band (1)*

**Horsforth Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1888, and in the 1920s/30s

**Horsham Borough Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Horsham Recreation Silver Band

**Horsham Brass Band (1)** - Sussex

Formed in 1854 by Mr. John Tugwell. Folded before 1861 when it was replaced by the Horsham Town Band

**Horsham Brass Band (2)** - Sussex

See: *Horsham Town Band*

**Horsham British Legion Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1950s

**Horsham Fire Brigade Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1869

**Horsham Foresters' Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1864. Also known as 7th Sussex Rifle Volunteers Band

**Horsham Recreation Silver Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Horsham Borough Band*

**Horsham Recreation Silver Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1900. Merged with the Horsham Town Band in 1912

**Horsham St Faith Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1860s. Latterly active in the 1920s/1930s. Merged with Ringland Brass Band to form Drayton Band in 1937.

**Horsham Town Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1861. Active in 1891 - William Garman, bandmaster, of 6b Denne Road.

Merged with Horsham Recreation Silver Band in 1912. This new Town Band eventually became the current Horsham Borough Band.

**Horsington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the mid-1860s to WW1. Conductors, Mr Burt in 1878, W. Charley in 1881, Mr Hunt in 1882, Mr Foot in 1887, C. Foot in 1890-94, W. Sharley in 1895-1913

**Horsley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1850s to the 1880s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Amalgamated with Nailsworth Silver Band in 1948 to become the Nailsworth and Horsley Silver Band. The band reverted back to the Nailsworth Silver Band name sometime in the early 1970s.

**Horsmonden British Legion Band** - Kent

Active from the 1930s to the 1950s

**Horsmonden Excelsior Band** - Kent

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s

**Horton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Jones in 1890,

**Horton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Horton-cum-Studley Brass Band*

**Horton Kirkby Home for Little Boys Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Farningham Home for Little Boys Brass Band*

**Horton-cum-Studley Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1892 and 1900, conductor Harry Hickes

**Horwich L and Y Band**

Formed in 1889 by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, three years after the opening of the new Locomotive Works in Horwich. Although a 'crack' team of players was put together in 1912, they never seem to have reached the same heights as the RMI Band. The band had been disbanded by 1930.

**Horwich Loco Works Band**

See: *Horwich RMI Band*

**Horwich Mechanics' Institute Brass Band**

See: *Horwich RMI Band*

**Horwich Old Prize Band**

Formed around 1875 and made its rehearsal room above the Co-operative Hall. Their first public engagement was a Church procession through the village. The band had only learnt one tune by this time and repeated this tune over and over during the two mile course of the procession. The band enjoyed its most successful period from 1900 to 1914,

winning third prize at the Crystal Palace in 1906 and winning the September Belle Vue Contest in 1910. With the formation of the Horwich RMI Band they lost several key players in 1912 and then sadly lost 12 bandsmen during the Great War. The band was never to regain its height and had disbanded by 1950.

#### **Horwich Old Public Brass Band**

See: *Horwich Old Prize Band*

#### **Horwich Railway Mechanics Institute Band**

See: *Horwich RMI Band*

#### **Horwich RMI Band**

Directors of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company were dismayed by the lack of success by their band, The Horwich L and Y Band. So in 1912 the Chief Mechanical Engineer George Hughes suggested holding auditions for new players. Only one member of the original band was successful in retaining his place, the rest of the band was obviously slightly upset by this outcome and decided to form their own band under the umbrella of the RMI. Therefore the Horwich RMI came into being in late 1912.

Success was to come quickly; in 1915 the band came second to Foden's Works Band in the Spring Belle Vue contest. In the same year, after a strike at Elworth (Foden's Factory), a dozen players who had been prominent in the picket lines were fired. They promptly moved to Horwich and took great pleasure in beating their old firm at Belle Vue in 1916 and 1917. Their height came in 1922, winning the Crystal Palace 1000 guinea trophy making them champions of Great Britain. Something that the L and Y Band would never achieve. Mr Riley, the band secretary, put together an ingenious method of raising funds in the early days of the band. A membership scheme was started whereby 360 employees of the L and Y Company would have a small deduction made from their wages; in return they received two tickets to three summer concerts, this scheme continued right into the 1930's. Thereafter, the band played many summer engagements at various holiday resorts on the south coast. Unfortunately, due to the recession and subsequent lay-off of its' members, Horwich R.M.I. Band collapsed as a contest band in 1931. In the intervening years, they were something of a legend. In 1953 the Bolton Evening News ran a series of articles again on the Brass Bands of Bolton. RMI featuring in one of them, the then band secretary a Mr Hill, stated that times had been hard but they were on the up. The band had disbanded by the late 1950's. The Bandstand at Horwich Works recreation ground was built in 1907 and was used by the works' brass band for concerts.

#### **Hosier and Dickinson Watford Band - Hertfordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

#### **Hough Brass Band - Hough on the Hill, Lincolnshire**

Formed in 1887

#### **Hougham Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1899

#### **Houghton Brass Band - Houghton-le-Spring, Durham**

[current band] - Founded in 1983 - Note: Formed as an extension of the Houghton Schools Band, itself formed in 1973

#### **Houghton Brass Band - Bedfordshire**

See: *Houghton Regis Brass Band*

#### **Houghton Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Houghton Colliery Band*

- Houghton Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Houghton Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Houghton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
See: *Great Houghton Brass Band*
- Houghton Colliery Band** - Houghton-le-Spring, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s and folded around 1939.
- Houghton Lane Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active around 1850, when it performed at the Preston Whit Walks.
- Houghton Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Wombwell Temperance Band*
- Houghton Regis Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Formed in the 1850s and played in a "rural festival" in 1856. In 1885 it amalgamated for a brief period with the Dunstable Temperance Band, to form the Dunstable Promenade Band. The bands then split once again. It was still active, as the Houghton Regis Band, in 1902
- Houghton-le-Spring Schools Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1970s
- Houghton-le-Spring Town Band** - Durham  
Active in the early 1900s
- House of Dickinson Band**  
See: *John Dickinson (Apsley) Band*
- Hove Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1853
- Hove Christian Workers' Band** - Sussex  
Founded in 1891. Conductor C.E. Daniels in 1900
- Hove Edge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the early 1900s. Known as "t' Billy Goats Band" from the fact that the instruments and uniforms were bought out of the proceeds from roast billy goat sandwiches.
- Hove Excelsior Brass Band** - Sussex  
Founded in 1904, conductor H.J. Chessall.
- Howard and Bullough's Brass Band** - Accrington, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s through to the 1920s. The company manufactured textile machines
- Howarth Public Band**  
Active around 1910
- Howarth Public Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Howden and Willington Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1922
- Howden and Willington Quay Temperance Band** - Durham  
Active in 1899, conductor G.W. Skinner
- Howden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1850, 1861 and in the 1890s, conductor James Roberts
- Howden Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in 1900



### **Howden Excelsior Band**

See: *Howden-le-Wear Band*

### **Howden-le-Wear Brass Band - Durham**

Formed in the early 1890s and still active in 1934. Secretary J.F. Carrick in 1893. Briefly renamed Howden Excelsior Band before reverting back. A bandstand was brought from Newcastle Northeast Exhibition 1929 and erected at the bottom of a tree covered bank side in Jubilee Park (originally called Howden Plantation) The location gave people a perfect view of the bandstand and all the famous bands that played there. (Remains of foundations can still be seen). Mr George Brown took his role as band steward very seriously. Dressed in a tail suit, top hat and white gloves, he made announcements and took requests from the audience

### **Howden-le-Wear Temperance Model Brass Band**

See: *Howden-le-Wear Brass Band*

### **Howdon Mission Brass Band**

Active in 1894

### **Howley Silver Band**

Active in 1968

### **Hoxne Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in 1870, used to practice at the Red Lion, Oak Hill. Prominent playing families were; Shernmings, Butcher and Copping. The band played every year for the anniversary meeting of the Oddfellows in the 1880s. Conductor H.V. Whitmore in 1886. By 1914 the band had transformed into (or been replaced by) a fife and drum band known as Hoxne Village Band.

### **Hoxted Market Brass Band**

Active in 1905

### **Hoxton Amateur Brass Band - Middlesex**

Formed in May 1861 by J. Wade. Still active in 1866

### **Hoxton Crusaders Brass Band**

See: *Hoxton Market Christian Mission Silver Band*

### **Hoxton Dye Works Band - Middlesex**

See: *Wilson's Dye Works Amateur Brass Band*

### **Hoxton Market Brass Band**

See: *Hoxton Market Christian Mission Silver Band*

### **Hoxton Market Christian Mission Silver Band - Shoreditch, Middlesex**

Formed 1882. In the London blitz of 1940 all the band's equipment (72 instruments and 60 uniforms) were destroyed. In 1906 it was renamed Hoxton Crusaders Brass Band and also known as Old Nichol Street Mission Band. Reverted to its original name some time later. Old Nichol at the time of the band's formation was London's most notorious slum which feature in the novel "A Child of the Jago".

### **Hoxton Temperance Band - Middlesex**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor W.J. Wade in 1879, C. Folkey in 1882

### **Hoylake and West Kirby Band**

See: *West Kirby Brass Band*

### **Hoylake Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1880s to 1890

### **Hoyland Common Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Hoyland Rechabite Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1889. Renamed Hoyland Town Silver Prize Band in 1905, conductor J. Barraclough. Active through to the 1920s

**Hoyland Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Strata Brass*

**Hoyland Town Silver Prize Band**

See: *Hoyland Rechabite Brass Band*

**Hucknall Albion Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1877

**Hucknall and Linby Mining Community Brass** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**Hucknall British Legion Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1930s to the 1950s

**Hucknall Excelsior Band**

See: *Hucknall Excelsior Silver Prize Band*

**Hucknall Excelsior Silver Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1889. In 1915 - Joseph Harrison secretary and bandmaster, of Annesley Road. See also: Hucknall Temperance Prize Band for some related information

**Hucknall Excelsior Temperance Prize Band**

See: *Hucknall Excelsior Silver Prize Band*

**Hucknall Huthwaite Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1894 when it promoted a contest

**Hucknall Huthwaite Excelsior Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1881

**Hucknall Huthwaite Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Huthwaite Prize Band*

**Hucknall Old Band** - Nottinghamshire

[no information]

**Hucknall Silver Prize Band**

See: *Hucknall Temperance Prize Band*

**Hucknall Temperance Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in 1885 and started at the Butlers Hill, Cavendish Street, Primitive Methodist Church. (Newark - June 29, 1898] - "The annual festival of the children's Sunday School Union took place on Thursday and proved a single success. The weather was fine, and from many windows and standards flags floated and bunting was displayed. The sides of the market were lined with vehicles full of folk who were anxious to view the annual spectacle, and pedestrians made a deep fringe round the market square. While the schools assembled, the Newark Borough Band and the Hucknall Temperance Prize Band entertained the crowd with melodies. Over 2,000 children sang a selection of hymns before they moved off in procession with their teachers for a parade through the town." (Newark - March 2 1898] - "The town was considerably enlivened on Saturday by a visit from the Hucknall Excelsior Temperance Prize Band which accompanied the Hucknall football team. The band played from the GN station to the Market-place and afterwards down to the Muskham Road Ground. In the Market-place at night the band gave an admirable concert the music being listened to and enjoyed by several hundreds of people. The band is a noted prize-taking combination and there were about 30 performers. They pitched in the corner of the Market-place nearly opposite Chain-lane

and played a selection of pieces with the feeling and expression that has made them the winners of many contests." In 1904 Sam Taylor was the conductor, as he was also in 1915 by which time the band had changed its name to the Hucknall Silver Prize Band.

**Hucknall Tokard Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1863 to 1866

**Hucknall Torkard Excelsior Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1895

**Hucknall-Linby Miners Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newstead Brass*

**Hucknall-under-Huthwaite Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1866

**Huddersfield and Ripponden Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1962 - Former names: Huddersfield Brass - Note: Merged with Ripponden Brass in 2006

**Huddersfield and Upper Agbrigg Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Huddersfield Borough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Huddersfield Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Huddersfield & Ripponden Brass*

**Huddersfield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Conductor W. Drake in 1860

**Huddersfield Catholic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874, conductor Joe Podmore

**Huddersfield Fire Brigade Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor Joe Willie in 1906

**Huddersfield Friendly and Trades Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Huddersfield Home Guard Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s

**Huddersfield L.M.S. Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Huddersfield Postal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Huddersfield Princess Street Mission Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Huddersfield Rifles Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Began contesting in 1887

**Huddersfield Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1939

**Huddersfield Tecol Band**

See: *Sellers International Brass Band*

**Huddersfield Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1884. Still active in the 1890s

**Hudson's Dry Soap Works Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active from the early 1880s through to the 1900s

- Hugglescote and Ellistown Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Was conducted by Mr W. Burton in 1939.
- Hugglescote and South Leicester Welfare Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1960s and 1970s
- Hugglescote Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Founded in mid-1867, conductor Mr Dennis. Still active in 1868
- Hugglescote East End Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- Hugglescote Town Band** - Leicestershire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1930s
- Hugglescote West End Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- Hugh Stevenson and Sons Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s to 1940s. Hugh Stevenson and Sons Ltd was a paper box-making business started in 1859 by Mr Hugh Stevenson at Great Marlborough Street, Manchester
- Huish Champflower Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1882
- Huish School Brass Band** - Huish Episcopi, Somerset  
Active in 1919
- Hull A.S.R.S Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1880s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Barnet in 1880
- Hull Albion Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1883
- Hull Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull A.S.R.S Band*
- Hull British Oil and Cake Mills Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *British Oil and Cake Mills Band*
- Hull Brunswick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Brunswick Model Brass Band*
- Hull Carpenters' Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Messrs Samuelson and Co. Brass Band*
- Hull Catholic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Conductor J.B. Acey, leader G. Barrett in 1860. Later in that year the band became associated with the rifle volunteers and thereafter appeared as Hull Rifles Band
- Hull Christian Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Christian Temperance Silver Band*
- Hull Christian Temperance Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Formed in 1894. Active in 1909
- Hull City Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Edward Pearcey was Bandmaster in 1913
- Hull City N.E.R. Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Railway Servants Brass Band*
- Hull City Police Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1960s
- Hull District Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1864

- Hull Druids' Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1850, conductor R. Smith in 1857. In 1859 it performed a concert with the Barton Ropery Band in Barton Temperance Hall.
- Hull Flax and Cotton Mills Harmonic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1840s to the 1860s
- Hull Foresters' Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the mid-1880s
- Hull Juvenile Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Founded in 1859, conductor E. Jackson. Made its debut performance at the Queen's Theatre in December 1859.
- Hull King's Hall Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *King's Hall Silver Band*
- Hull Kingston Cotton Mills Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Formed in mid-1855 with sixteen performers on saxhorns. "Mr Browne of Silver Street was the music superintendent, and on a march through the town the band was well received." Still active in the early 1860s
- Hull Mechanics Institute Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Founded in 1866, still active in 1880
- Hull Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Mechanics Institute Model Brass Band*
- Hull N.E.R. Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Railway Servants Brass Band*
- Hull Oil and Colour Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Messrs Blundell, Spence and Co.'s Works Harmonic Brass Band*
- Hull Orphan Sailors Childrens Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1880s to around 1910. Conductor Mr Arnott in 1896. The home was established in 1867, at Thanet House, a large property on Park Street, Hull. Its purchase was largely funded by a £5,000 donation from Sir Titus Salt, the Bradford manufacturer and philanthropist. By 1893, however, the space was proving increasingly inadequate, and new cottage homes were built on Cottingham Road, opening in 1895, known as Newland Cottage Homes. The boys' band performed at local social events. For a number of years, the band also went on fund-raising tours but in 1907 it was decided that the absence of the boys from the homes, and the attention they received, were not good for them, and the tours were then severely curtailed.
- Hull Osborne Street P.S.A. Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1901
- Hull Park Street Children's Home Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Orphan Sailors Childrens Brass Band*
- Hull Pease Street Mission Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1906
- Hull Police Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active from 1864, conductor R. Smith, to the 1900s
- Hull Post Office Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Founded around 1868. Active to the 1900s
- Hull Radiator Works Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Ideal Boilers and Radiator Works Band*

**Hull Railway Servants Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Hull Railwaymen's Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1950s to 1970s

**Hull Renaissance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[current band]

**Hull Rifles Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Catholic Brass Band*

**Hull Seamen's and General Orphan Asylum Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Orphan Sailors Childrens Brass Band*

**Hull Shipwright's Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Messrs Samuelson and Co. Brass Band*

**Hull Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the early 1900s. Mary Newton notes: "My father, Harry Cook, played in the Hull Silver Prize Band. He played the cornet. This was in the years before the first world war, and my eldest brother who was born in 1908 was their mascot when he was about ten or eleven. My father was at the Battle of the Somme and shell shocked. I am the last of his children. I remember seeing a photograph of the band taken in a waggonette - they must have been going on a day out."

**Hull Sons of Temperance Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1906. Active through to the 1910s. In 1910 the conductor was C. Norman and Band Secretary H. Roe. Played concerts in East Park at 3pm on Sunday June 26th 1910, and in West Park at 3pm on Sunday July 17th 1910, in aid of the Hull and Sculcoates Dispensary Working Men's Committee, where the programme was: Vigilant - J. Farrell, Gems of England - Rimmer, Andante from C Minor Symphony - Beethoven, Memories of the Past - Rimmer, Senator - G. Allan, Sandon - T Allsopp, In the Twilight - Rimmer, and Robert Devereux - Donizetti. Separate to Hull Temperance Brass Band

**Hull Spring Bank Orphanage Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the late 1870s through to 1927. Conductor R. Smith in the 1870s, Mr Pitt in 1912

**Hull St Andrew's Junior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in November 1914 and active into the late 1930s. It was founded by eight working men who obtained £380 worth of clothing and instruments on credit, their object being to train boys as musicians and aid local charitable institutions. In 1915 the conductor was Thomas E. Dearmer, joint secretaries Edward J. Dalton and Samuel Brown (who was a coal teemer at St Andrew's Dock). R.W. Taylor conductor in 1917 (who composed a "Trombone March" in 1919 that particularly please Arthur Pearce and Black Dyke Mills Band when they played it that December). The band did much to raise money for charities through their concerts and consisted of up to 40 boys ranging from 9 to 16 years old. A postcard was published with the following rhyme on it: "Hail to St Andrews Junior Band! Which side by older players take a stand; 'Tis wonderful that boys so young as these should play so well, as e'en to critics please. Diligence and good tuition tell the reason why they do succeed so well; for each lad tries to do what he is told - the Band thus helps the character to mould. 'Twas in November, nineteen-fourteen, in West Hull that its humble birth was seen, but, like the acorn in the wayside sown, it now has to a health sapling grown. Large sums for charities their help has raised, For which they have been well and duly praised; the widows and the orphans' hearts are full of thanks

to these little boys of Hull. No sect or section has the slightest claim, except the good of mankind be the aim - for each and all the Band has freely played; no charge, except expenses, has been made. If of assistance you should be in need, at times when you're engaged in noble deed, and helpfully you find the band could use; invite them. They're not likely to refuse." The band won first prize in the Boys Sections, with the Wood Challenge Cup, at the National Brass Band Festival at the Crystal Palace in September 1920 (Malcolm T. Lamb secretary that year). H. Wildbore secretary in 1936. Also known as St Andrew's Silver Prize Band in the late 1920s and 1930s

**Hull St Andrew's Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull St Andrew's Junior Brass Band*

**Hull Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1905. Separate to Hull Sons of Temperance Brass Band

**Hull Temperance League Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1857

**Hull Town Cricket Club Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in late 1856 from the members of the Club, providing entertainment during the winter months.

**Hull United Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1885

**Hull United Order of Druids Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Druids' Brass Band*

**Hull Waterloo Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in 1885, still active in 1945. Bandmaster Charles Norman in 1904. Played a concert in East Park on 16th July 1916, conducted by Charles Norman, a cornet player. Conductor in 1911 was J.W. Noble. Renamed "Tarran Waterloo Silver Band" in 1936 in recognition of the sponsorship by the Tarran family.

**Hull Waterloo Prize Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Waterloo Brass Band*

**Hull Wellington Troop Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

A Scouts brass band, formed in April 1914, conductor Thomas E. Dearmer, secretary J.A. Brown

**Hull Wesleyan Mission Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1882, bandmaster M.T. Mowforth. The mission church was in Hessle Road.

**Hull Wilson's Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Thomas Wilson, Sons and Company Prize Brass Band*

**Hulme and Chorlton-on-Medlock Lads Club Brass Band**

See: *Hulme Lads' Club Brass Band*

**Hulme Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Also known as Hulme Old Brass Band

**Hulme Lads' Club Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1888, conductor H.L. Holding. Still active in 1892

**Hulme Old Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Hulme Brass Band*

**Hulme Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s. In 1914, it presented a silver baton to Sam Myers.

**Hulme Public Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Hulme Public Brass Band*

**Hulme Royal Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1867

**Hulme Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s

**Hulme Temperance Subscription Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Hulme Temperance Band*

**Hulton Brass Band** - Walkden, Lancashire

Formed in 1975 when the Walkden Junior Band broke away from Walkden Band. They rehearsed at a local Church and seem to have initially done well. The band received sponsorship from Agecroft Colliery for a short time, changing its name to Agecroft Colliery Band. Unfortunately the venture seems to have lasted only about six years and the band folded in the early 1980's.

**Humberstone Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1860, 1863

**Humberstone Excelsior Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1900

**Hungerford Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1861. Presumed to have folded before 1876 when the current Hungerford Town Band was formed

**Hungerford Town Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1876

**Hunmanby and District Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in 1979

**Hunmanby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1851. Amalgamated with the Hunmanby Silver Band after 1918.

**Hunmanby Mitford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1894. Bandmaster William Raylor in 1905

**Hunmanby Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: Dennis Bayley Hunmanby and District Silver Band

**Hunmanby Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active before 1880. After the 1914-18 Great War, a prominent local business man, Sir Dennis Bayley supplied a full set of musical instruments and uniforms, and the band was renamed the Dennis Bayley Hunmanby Silver Band, which also combined with the Hunmanby Brass Band of the time. It folded around 1959. A successor band was formed in 1979.

**Hunningham School Band**

Active in the 1930s.

**Hunny Hill Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Formed in 1861, locally called the Hunny Hill Noisers.

**Hunslet Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the 1890s

**Hunslet Leather Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856. Competed in the contest at the Hull Zoological Gardens in 1857. Linked to the Spanish Leather Works in Leeds.

**Hunslet Ragged School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1885



**Hunslet Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860 to 1866

**Hunsonby Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1880s

**Huntingdon and District Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1970s

**Huntingdon and Peterborough Youth Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1970s and early 1980s

**Huntingdon Brass Band (1)** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Huntingdon Brass Band (2)**

See: *Huntingdon Town Band*

**Huntingdon British Legion Band**

Active in the late 1920s

**Huntingdon Town Band**

Formed in 1896, disbanded in 1904, revived again in 1908, folded around 1914, or soon afterwards. Their instruments were given by the town council to the Huntingdonshire Cyclist Battalion Band in 1916.

**Huntingdon Youth Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1980s

**Huntingdonshire Cyclist Battalion Band**

See: *Old Fletton Victoria Prize Band*

**Huntley and Palmer's Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

Active in 1887 - associated with the biscuit factory.

**Huntly Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1869, 1914

**Huntsham Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1863. Conductor Mr Davey in 1864

**Hunwick Colliery Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s. Conductor H. Gibson in 1899. Merged with the Evenwood Colliery Band at some time. Also known as Hunwick Silver Band and competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Probably folded in the 1950s.

**Hunwick Silver Band**

See: *Hunwick Colliery Band*

**Hurley Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the late 1870s. Conductor William Spare in 1887-1902. Disbanded for a short while and was reformed in 1911, again with William Spare as secretary. Still active in 1924

**Hurley Moate Dobcross Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dobcross Silver Band*

**Hurlford Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863, In 1879, it headed a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accommodated on raised seats on a lorry, which was drawn by three powerful Clydesdales, and profusely decorated with evergreens. Still active into the late 1900s. Conductor Alexander Dunlop in 1885

**Hurst Brass Band** - Hurstpierpoint, Sussex

Active in the 1890s

**Hurst Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s

**Hurst Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Hurst Green and Etchingam Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1902 to 1921. Conductor J. Daniels in 1903

**Hurst Green Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1885 to 1901. Conductor W. Cross in 1893

**Hurst Green Brass Band** - Sussex  
See: *Hurst Green and Etchingam Brass Band*

**Hurst Village Band** - Sussex  
See: *Hurst Brass Band (Lancashire)*

**Hurworth Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1866, conductor William Close, through to 1900. Conductor J. Lewis in 1893, Mr Crowther in 1894

**Hurworth Saxhorn Band** - Durham  
See: *Hurworth Brass Band*

**Hustwaite Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1888

**Hustwaite Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Hustwaite Brass Band*

**Hutchesontown Silver Band**  
See: *Oatlands Parish Church Brass Band*

**Hutchinsons Coaches Band**  
See: *Coltness Iron Works Silver Band*

**Huthwaite Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1857 - Former names: Hucknall Huthwaite Prize Band, Huthwaite Silver Prize Band

**Huthwaite Prize Band**  
Active in 1925

**Huthwaite Silver Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Huthwaite Prize Band*

**Hutton Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1863, conductor John Bannister

**Hutton Cranswick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active from the 1880s to the 1930s

**Hutton Roof and Lupton Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in 1852

**Hutton Rudby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Hyde Band** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Note: Formed by Mr H. E. (Bert) Shutler from the former Hyde and Mockbegger Band, which was a fife and drum band

**Hyde Borough Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1883. 1900 ? "..... The procession was led by a group of mounted policemen and they were followed by the Hyde Borough Band and the Mottram and Broadbottom Band. 1931 - Twenty-one-year-old Frances Lockett, of Hyde, was voted the town's first

cotton queen. She had a civic reception in her honour and more than 20,000 people turned out to welcome her. Frances was also taken through the streets, which were decorated with flowers and ribbons, in an open landau carriage drawn by four bay horses. Mounted police led the procession and she was followed by the Kingston Mill Band, a troupe of Morris dancers, more than 300 workers from Newton Mill, members of the Hyde Lads Club, 40 cars and the Hyde Borough Band.

**Hyde Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1850s

**Hyde British Legion Band** - Cheshire

Formed after 1945

**Hyde Catholic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1869

**Hyde Home Guard 36th Cheshire Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1942

**Hyde Original Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Hyde Road (Manchester Tramways) Depot Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Hyde Road Methodist Gorton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Hyde United Liberal Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1870s

**Hylton Colliery Brass Band (1)** - Castletown, Durham

Formed in the early 1900s. Renamed as Castletown Colliery Band at some point. Active through to the 1930s

**Hylton Colliery Brass Band (2)** - Castletown, Durham

Formed in 1949, renamed Monkwearmouth Lodge Band (aka Wearmouth Colliery Band) in 1980, folded in 2000.

**Hylton Colliery Silver Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Monkwearmouth Lodge Band*

**Hymac Ltd Band** - Rhymney,

See: *Hymac Rhymney Band*

**Hymac Rhymney Band**

Active in 1969 when conducted by Richard Nash. Won the Welsh Regional Championships (3rd Section) in 1976. Also known as Rhymney Silver Band.

**Hyson Brass Founders Brass Band** - Hyson Green, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1868

**Hyson Green Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1869

**Hythe Adult School Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex

Active in 1899

**Hythe and Dibden Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1990s and 2000s

**Hythe and Dibden Brass Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1988

**Hythe Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex

Active from 1900 to WW1. In 1905 the bandmaster was A. J. Barber

- Hythe Brass Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Hythe Town Band*
- Hythe Brass Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1850s to the 1890s
- Hythe Excelsior Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1900s
- Hythe National Reserve Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1913
- Hythe Town Band** - Hampshire  
Active from the 1880s to the 1920s
- Hyundai Heart of England Band**  
See: *Heart of England Band*
- I.C.I. (Alkali) Band** - Winnington, Cheshire  
Formed in 1923 as Winnington Boy Scouts Band, then Winnington Lads' Club Band in March 1936. Adopted ICI (Alkali) name in June 1936. Still active in the early 1960s
- I.C.I. Mond Division Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire  
Active in the 1960s
- I.C.I. Recreational Band** - Grangemouth, Stirlingshire  
See: *Scottish Dyes Band*
- I.M.I. Yorkshire Imperial Band**  
See: *Yorkshire Imperial Band*
- I.N.F. Rutherglen Band**  
See: *Rutherglen I.N.F. Band*
- I.O.R. Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
See: *Bolton Rechabites Band*
- Ibsley Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1860
- Ibstock Brick Brass** - Leicestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Coalville Band, Ibstock Building Products Band (1997-2000)
- Ibstock Building Products Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Ibstock Brick Brass*
- Ibstock Excelsior Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1889 (conductor S.Y. Vickers) and in 1897 when it organised a brass band contest at the Ram Hotel grounds in Ibstock, on Saturday August 21st 1897. The test piece was "Gems of Victorian Melody". Some records of the band are held at The Record Office for Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland. Still active in 1914.
- Ibstock St Denys Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Ibstock Town Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1893
- Ibstock United Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Desford Colliery Band*
- Ibstock United Silver Band** - Leicestershire  
Founded in 1898. Active to the early 1950s.
- Ibstock Welfare Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active from the early 1960s to the late 1960s.

**Ickford Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1888 and 1895

**Ickleton Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor W. Brown in 1905

**Ickringill's Brass Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed by James Ickringill, a Victorian businessman and church founder, owner of Eastwood Mill, Keighley and Legrams Mill, Bradford - also created local Boys and Girls Brigades.

**Ideal Boilers and Radiator Works Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1930s to 1940

**Idle Airedale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856 through 1876

**Idle and Thackley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active, at least, from 1898-1943. One report gives it disbanding in 1930, but it must then have been revived soon afterwards.

**Idle and Thackley Public Subscription Band**

See: *Idle and Thackley Brass Band*

**Idle Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1853 to the late 1880s

**Idle Conservative Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in March 1867, obtained their instruments in May 1867, bandmaster Mr Terry. Active through to 1875

**Idle Working Men's Conservative Society Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Idle Conservative Brass Band*

**Idris Brass Band** - Dolgellau, Merioneth

See: *Cader Idris Brass Band*

**Ieuencid Trefor Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1990

**Iford Brass Band** - Sussex

Operating during 1930s and 40s at least, when the conductor was Frank Geisler. Born in Belgium, he lived in Christchurch, Dorset and was very active with bands around that area of the South coast. He conducted Iford Brass Band and he also played Eb Bass.

**Ifton Band** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1916 - Former names: Ifton Brass Band, Ifton Colliery Silver Band (1959)

**Ifton Brass Band** - Shropshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ifton Band*

**Ifton Colliery Silver Band** - Shropshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ifton Band*

**Ifton Heath Silver Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1960

**Ightfield Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1866 to 1869

**Ilchester Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1867 to 1869. Secretary A. Singleton in 1869

**Ilex Brass Band** - Rawtenstall, Lancashire

Active in 1863 and 1864. The band consisted of workmen at the Ilex Mill in the town, owned by Messrs Peter Whitehead and Sons

**Ilford Horns Temperance Band** - Essex

Active from the 1890s to WW1. Conductor R. Wilson in 1899, Carl Taylor in 1903

**Ilford Old Band** - Essex

Active in the 1930s

**Ilford Silver Band**

See: *Ilford Old Band*

**Ilford Silver Prize Band**

See: *Ilford (St John Ambulance) Band*

**Ilford St John Ambulance Band** - Essex

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Later renamed Ilford Silver Prize Band

**Ilford Town Band** - Essex

Active in 1900, when it opened the Grand Fete and Gala held in the Central Park, Ilford on Saturday 16 June 1900.

**Ilfracombe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1858

**Ilfracombe Foresters' Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1868. Still active in 1873

**Ilfracombe Rechabite Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1891, conductor F. Becker, also in 1895

**Ilfracombe Silver Band**

See: *Ilfracombe Town Band (2)*

**Ilfracombe Town Band (1)** - Devon

Formed in 1868, still active in 1927. Conductor H.E. Angless in 1904, J. White in 1907.

**Ilfracombe Town Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in 1950, still active in the mid-1960s. Also known as Ilfracombe Silver Band

**Ilfracombe Wesleyan Sunday School Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1895

**Ilkeston and Shipley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1875

**Ilkeston Borough Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1

**Ilkeston Brass** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Former names: Stanton Ironworks Band, Stanton Works Band, (to 1960s) - Note: The band still rehearses on old Stanton Iron Works site near to the Motorway, continuing its links with the past. In the mid-seventies, a television serial called *Sounding Brass*, starring Brian Glover, was produced by Granada, based around the workings, romances and personalities of a local brass band - much as the recent *Brassed Off* film portrayed. The writer, Don Shaw, followed Ilkeston Brass to concerts, contests, marches and pubs for nearly 6 months before he wrote and produced the series. Ilkeston Brass were chosen as the Band for the series, a great honour.

**Ilkeston Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Ilkeston Excelsior Brass Band*

**Ilkeston Church Army Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s

**Ilkeston Excelsior Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1853 to the 1890s

**Ilkeston Main Brass Band** - Derbyshire

[no information]

**Ilkeston Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1895

**Ilkeston United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1905, secretary Mr Sinfield

**Ilkeston Volunteers Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1895

**Ilkley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1851 to the 1900s

**Ilkley Urban District Council Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1900

**Illogan Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1863, and they took part in a contest held in the Redruth area under their conductor Mr U Bosanko. Conductor Rev. Harry Oxland in 1891-1914. Still active in 1914

**Illogan Broad Lane Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1889, 1890

**Illogan Reed and Brass Band** - Cornwall

Then the Rev Harry Oxland was appointed to the village in the 1890s he promptly formed a band finding musicians from Bridge, Illogan Highway and the village itself. Despite calling the band the Illogan Reed and Brass Band, they were allowed, for a couple of years, to take part in the local brass band contests, but their real local fame was enhanced in 1909 when they travelled to London for the Crystal Palace Military Bands contest and came seventh. They changed their title just after this to the Illogan Military Brass Band which strikes me as unexplainable as they had always, from day one, been a "military band", meaning a full complement of woodwind instruments (including a bassoon) and eventually french horns instead of tenor horns. The band was taken over in 1926 by Con Oxland, son of the founder, but they were forced to disband in 1939. From all the newspaper accounts of this band, they were well on a par with the Camborne Town Band, so therefore deserve a mention in these archives.

**Illogan Silver Band** - Cornwall

[previous name of current band] See: *Illogan Sparnon Silver Band*

**Illogan Sparnon Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: Illogan Silver Band

**Ilmington Brass Band**

[no information]

**Ilminster Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active in the 1860s, conductor John Holbrook

**Ilminster Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

Formed in 1880, assistant bandmaster James Taylor (he was conductor by 1884). First appearance in public was on Christmas Eve that year, when they paraded the streets of the town. Still active in 1905

**Ilsley and Compton Brass Band**

See: *Ilsley United Brass Band*

**Ilsley Brass Band**

See: *East Ilsley Brass Band*

**Ilsley United Brass Band**

See: *East Ilsley Brass Band*

**Immingham and District Band**

See: *Immingham Brass Band*

**Immingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1912 to 1952

**Ince Blundell Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1854

**Ind Coope and Allsopp Silver Band**

Formed in 1950, the players working in the brewing industry as drivers, transporters, brewers and bottlers. It remained active through the 1950s

**Ind Coope Brewery Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Romford Brewery Brass Band*

**Ind Coope Burton Brewery Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Formed in 1981 by Eric Johnson, it enjoyed good contest successes, culminating with Midlands Third Section Champions in 1985. The band folded in 1996. Also known as Carlsberg Tetley Brass Band

**Indefatigable Training Ship Brass Band** - Birkenhead, Cheshire

Active in 1889 to the 1900s

**Independent Order of Good Templars Band** - Lesmahagow,

Formed in the 1880s and disbanded in 1932 - when the instruments were disposed of, the proceeds of the sale provided the funds for the first Lesmahagow Old Age Pensioners' "treat".

**Independent Order of Rechabites Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

See: *Bolton Rechabites Band*

**Indian Queens Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1856

**Ingatestone Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1930s

**Ingatestone Open Brotherhood Silver Band** - Essex

Active in the 1950s

**Ingleby and Battersby Brass Band** - Ingleby Greenhow, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1862

**Ingleby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Ingleby Greenhow Brass Band*

**Ingleby Greenhow Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1865, 1866

**Ingledeu's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor C. Ingledeu in 1860.

**Ingledeu's Model Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Ingledeu's Brass Band*

**Ingleton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s through to the 1930s



**Ingleton Philharmonic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Founded in 1858

**Inglewhite Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in May 1890, when it played at Calder Vale.

**Ingrave and East Horndon Brass Band** - Essex  
 Founded in 1903. Active into the 1910s. Conductor A. Hinckley in 1906, J.W. Mansfield in 1907.

**Inkberrow Brass Band (1)** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1853, conductor Mr Clarke

**Inkberrow Brass Band (2)** - Worcestershire  
 See: *Inkberrow Excelsior Brass Band*

**Inkberrow Excelsior Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1892, conductor Arthur Key

**Inkpen Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire  
 Active in 1866

**Inkpen Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire  
 Active from the early 1900s to the 1950s

**Inkpen Imperial Band** - Berkshire  
 Active in 1928

**Inkpen Temperance Band** - Berkshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Innerleithen and Traquair Brass Band** - Peeblesshire  
 [no information]

**Innerleithen Brass Band** - Peeblesshire  
 Active in 1864

**Innovate Skelmanthorpe Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Skelmanthorpe Band*

**Institute Red Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Gloucester, Gloucestershire  
 Active in the 1880s

**Intake Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1869 to 1871

**International Staff Band of the Salvation Army** - London  
 [current band] - Founded in 1891

**Inverbervie Town Band** - Kincardineshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Inverbervie Volunteers Band** - Kincardineshire  
 Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster William Davidson

**Inverclyde District Band** - Greenock, Renfrewshire  
 Active from the 1960s. Folded some time in the 1990s. Also known as Greenock and District Silver Band

**Inverkeithing and Burntisland Band** - Fife  
 Active in 1963

**Inverkeithing Brass Band** - Fife  
 Founded in 1859, disbanded in the mid-1900s

**Inverkeithing Burgh Band** - Fife  
 Active in the 1920s and 1930s, conducted by W.A. Allison. Folded during WW2, revived in 1958 for about three years

**Inverness Amateur Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

Founded in 1858 by C.H. Morine.

**Inverness Artillery Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

Active in the 1880s

**Inverness Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

Active from pre-1850, conductor Mr McGillivray in 1852. In 1863 the instruments and music were handed over into the keeping of Mr W. Ferguson, hatter, and the members of the band took over its running, instead of the town council. Conductor A. Wernthal in 1865. Still active in 1869

**Inverness Mechanics Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

Active in 1859

**Inverness Mechanics Instrumental Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

See: *Inverness Mechanics Brass Band*

**Inverness Silver Band** - Inverness-shire

Formed in 1920, appealed for instruments and uniforms in 1921. Its first public appearance was at the Great Musical Fete in the Northern Meeting Rooms, together with choirs of 700 voices. It became free of debt in 1922, had its first AGM in 1923. Secretary, Mr A Ross, a railway worker, retired in May 1924. William Grant, bandmaster, resigned in August 1924. Bandmaster in April 1925 was Mr G Scotland, followed in June by a crisis when "Numbers of the committee take little personal interest. No effort to recruit young musicians. A good band is sorely needed in Inverness. The first consideration is a good bandmaster. Those who know about the Silver Band will not tell us what is wrong. There is something far wrong with the band which cannot keep its own engagements." At the 1927 AGM, George Smith Laing was in the chair. "Last year was the most successful since the band's inauguration. 40 appearances. In 4 cases the band was paid. 10 members under tuition. Compliments to Bandmaster MacConnachie." Folded in 1936, and the instruments were loaned to the Inverness District Asylum.

**Inverness Town Band** - Inverness-shire

Founded in April 1904, conductor Harry T. Tuff, with £300 donated by Andrew Carnegie. Still active in 1922

**Inverurie Brass Band (1)** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1850 to 1866

**Inverurie Brass Band (2)** - Aberdeenshire

Formed in April 1921. F.C. Oddy was appointed bandmaster.

**Invicta Brass Band, East Peckham Invicta, East Peckham British Legion** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *East Peckham Silver Band*

**Ipstones Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Ipswich and Norwich Co-op Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1982 - Former names: Connells Sounding Brass (to 1992), Ipswich Co-op Band (to 2002)

**Ipswich Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1850

**Ipswich Co-op Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Ipswich & Norwich Co-op Band*

**Ipswich Gas Company Band**

See: *Ipswich Gas Works Band*

**Ipswich Gas Works Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in 1864, conducted by Walter Parker. Bandmaster Henry Dunt in 1865. Entered a contest at Woodbridge in 1866. Still active in 1886

**Ipswich Hospital Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1976

**Ipswich Juvenile Oddfellows' Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in 1888

**Ipswich Over 50's Brass Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1995

**Ipswich Public Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1880s to 1910s. Conductor John Cooper in 1888, R.W. Manning in 1887-1900

**Ipswich St John's Home Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1906, conductor A. Suckling - the home was a workhouse school for boys and girls

**Ipswich Town Band** - Suffolk, ## 6 ##, Active in the 1970s. Amalgamated with Connells

Sounding Brass (Ipswich) in 1985. , ## 7 ##, Connells Sounding Brass for details

**Ipswich Town Mission Brass Band** - Suffolk

Founded in 1895. Still active in 1913

**Irchester Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from 1875, conductor Mr Skinner in 1888

**Ireland Alloys Band** - Hoyland, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Strata Brass*

**Ireland Alloys Band**

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Ireland Colliery (Chesterfield) Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Former names: Ireland Colliery Band - Note: Merged with Pearsons Pottery Chesterfield Band

**Ireland Colliery Band** - Staveley, Derbyshire

Formed in the 1880s. Merged with Pearsons Pottery Chesterfield Band in the late 1980s to form Ireland Colliery Chesterfield Band.

**Ireland Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ireland Colliery (Chesterfield) Band*

**Irlam and Cadishead Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1912

**Irlam Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1882. Later known also as Irlam Brass Band Blue Ribbon Army, Irlam Public Band (1920s-1999) and Irlam Silver Band until its demise in 2009. In the 1880s there was a great Temperance Movement, attached mostly to a religious organisation, which spread throughout the North of England. It was known as the Blue Ribbon Army. There was an establishment at Patricroft. On Saturday, 13th May, 1882, Irlam Brass Band led this Army from Patricroft, along Liverpool Road and Worsley Road, Winton, to Eccles Market Cross and from there they went to the Co-op. Hall, where a Meeting was held. Afterwards a concert was given to a packed audience. On the following Wednesday, the members of the Patricroft Blue Ribbon Army opened a Mission in Irlam Parish School room. To give you an idea of the size and popularity of this event, about four hundred and fifty people were conveyed from Patricroft and assembled at the Irlam Toll Bar (near the present-day Co-op. Margarine Works). Thee they walked in procession to the school headed by Irlam

Brass Band with their. Blue Ribbon banner. By the 12th of June, 1882, a branch of the Blue Ribbon Army had been formed in Irlam. On this day, the Irlam Brass Band, who were all members of the Blue Ribbon Army, led the procession displaying a splendid new silk banner. In 1883, Irlam Brass Band needed funds and so a grand concert was held in the school room on March 3rd. The Band took a prominent part in the programme. It is reasonable to say that the first Band Contest to be held locally took place on the 17th July, 1886. It was staged by Irlam Brass Band on a field near Irlam Railway Station. Prizes amounting to £36.00 were given. Eight bands competed. Mr. Gagg of Manchester was the Judge. Rawtenstall came first. Stretford second, Audenshaw third and Hollinwood was fourth. Even in those far off days the weather was unfavourable, but nevertheless the Irlam Brass Band played for dancing in the evening. Throughout the 1890 period the Temperance Bands were very active. They competed with the Public Houses in their offerings of musical entertainment. One of the most noteworthy musical events in the history of Irlam and Cadishead happened in 1909., when King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra paid a brief visit to the district. Before the arrival of the Royal motor procession, St. John's Band, Irlam Village Brass Band and Cadishend Brass Band all provided a musical interlude. In the 1920's Irlam Brass Band practiced in the old Fustian Cutting Shop at the side of the Ship Hotel. In the 1980s they had a Band Room on Liverpool Road, Irlam, situated between the children's playground and the local Police Station. The Band moved to this location in February, 1926. Building materials for the erection of this Band Room were donated by Mr. George Thomas, J.P., of Irlam Hall. Irlam Brass Band gained first place in Dawson's Musical Festival in 1925. This was held in Warrington.

**Irlam o' th' Heights Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1891 to the early 1900s

**Irlam Public Band**

See: *Irlam Brass Band*

**Irlam Silver Band**

See: *Irlam Brass Band*

**Irlam St John Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1899

**Irlam Village Band**

See: *Irlam Village Old Prize Band*

**Irlam Village Old Prize Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1903 and 1914

**Iron Church Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1882

**Iron School Brass Band** - Colne, Lancashire

Active in 1867 - based at the Adult Iron School.

**Ironville Church Mission Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1892, conductor Mr Abbott

**Irthlingborough Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the early 1860s. Conductor Arthur Neville from around 1862 to his death in 1882. The folded sometime after then. A successor band was formed in 1893

**Irthlingborough Town Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1893. Active through to the 1950s. Conductors H. Sharpe in 1893, O. Taylor in 1900, J.B. Yorke in 1907, F. Tyler in 1908. Active through to the 1950s

**Irton and Drigg Brass Band** - Cumberland

See: *Drigg and Irton Brass Band*

**Irvine and Dreghorn Brass Band** - Ayrshire

[current band] - Founded in 1983 - Note: Amalgamation of Irvine Youth Band (founded 1975) and Dreghorn Youth Band

**Irvine Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1890s

**Irvine Burgh Band**

See: *Irvine Brass Band*

**Irvine Silver Band**

See: *Irvine Youth Band*

**Irvine Valley Brass** - Ayrshire

Active in 1989, conductor Robert Snowden

**Irvine Youth Band** - Ayrshire

Formed in 1975, merged with Dreghorn Youth Band in 1983 to form the current Irvine and Dreghorn Brass Band

**Irwell Bank Brass Band** - Stoneclough, Lancashire

Formed in 1875 by the Irwell Bank Congregational Church. The band was very successful throughout its lifetime. Mr E Gittins was bandmaster from the formation of the band to 1906. In 1906 a newspaper article in the Farnworth Journal showed the band was thinking of setting up its own headquarters in Farnworth. As that was where the majority of the players came from. Whether they managed to purchase a bandroom in 1906 I don't know, but in 1926 they moved to new premises in Peel Street, Farnworth. In 1929 a notice appeared in the local newspaper announcing that the effects of the band and the appointments of their band club were to be sold by auction. The band had been in financial difficulties for some time and the pressure of a creditor led them to go into voluntary liquidation. 19 instruments, drum, 21 uniforms and a large library were sold to Bedford Sunday School for £62 and 10 shillings. Other lots included a pianoforte, stools, whist tables, floor coverings, glasses and a full-sized billiards table with all accessories. It seems they had been living the high life! The band gave their last concert on Bradford Street recreation ground in April of 1929.

**Irwell Bank Congregational Band**

See: *Irwell Bank Brass Band*

**Irwell Bank Kearsley Band**

See: *Irwell Bank Brass Band*

**Irwell Colliery Band**

Active in 1925

**Irwell Forge Band**

See: *Ainsworth Brass Band*

**Irwell Old Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Won a 50 Guineas Challenge Shield at the National Championships at the Crystal Palace in 1913, the shield being presented to the band at Pendleton Town Hall by John Henry Iles, the contest director.

**Irwell Old Prize Band**

See: *Irwell Old Band*

**Irwell Springs (Bacup) Band** - Lancashire

See: *Irwell Springs Brass Band*

**Irwell Springs Brass Band** - Bacup, Lancashire

Formed in 1864 under the baton of G. Law, from a meeting of a few musical cotton operatives in a back bedroom, where the bedstead served as a music stand. The band rose to prominence in the early years of the 20th Century under a number of professional conductors including Edwin Swift, Alexander Owen, William Rimmer and William Halliwell. It won the National Championships in 1905, 1908 and 1913 and the British Open in 1905. Disbanded in 1960. In the minutes book of Irwell Springs Band, when the first players were being recruited, is the entry - "NAME: L. Hey, CHOICE OF INSTRUMENT: Aught."

**Irwell Street Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Irwell Street Mission Prize Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Belonging to the Methodists Central Hall, Irwell Street, in the city. Formed in 1893. Active to the 1930s. Acquired new instruments in 1899, conductor H. Baxter

**Irwell Street Prize Band**

See: *Irwell Street Mission Prize Band*

**Isham Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Isington Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1862 to 1868

**Island Queen Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Founded in 1881, bandmaster R. Warwick. Based at the Island Queen public house in Noel Road.

**Isle of Ely College Brass Band** - Wisbech, Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Isle of Man Artillery Corps Band**

Active in 1868

**Isleham Borough Band**

See: *Isleham Brass Band*

**Isleham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1903. Conductor W.H. Curtis. A news report from July 1904: "Isleham band furnishes a striking example of what can be accomplished by steady and determined work. It was only formed a year ago but has become an important and appreciated institution. Its members have had to work hard and faced their first public performance on the occasion of the Harvest Festival last October with trepidation. Recently they have given short open-air sacred concerts on the green on Sunday evenings after the services at the various places of worship. It is to be hoped that their success will stir up the inhabitants of other villages," Probably folded during WW1.

**Isleham Jubilee Band** - Cambridgeshire

Probably formed in 1935, active through to the 1950s

**Isle's Hanham Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Hanham Brass Band*

**Isleworth Town Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s

**Islington Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Islington Brass Band*

**Islington Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1863, conductor W.J. Wade, practising each Thursday evening, 8 - 10pm, at Camden Coffee House, Islington Green, subscription 6d per week. Still active in 1866

**Islington Central Mission Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Islington Green Youth Club Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1969

**Islington Middle Class School Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Middle Class School Brass Band*

**Islington Poor House Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed at the beginning of 1866, gave their first performance on Islington Green in September 1866, consisting of 15 boys ("orphans or worse than orphans") aged between 10 and 13 years. Based at the Workhouse in Barnsbury Street. Probably folded when the Workhouse moved around 1870. A successor band at the new Workhouse was formed in 1881

**Islington Poor Law School Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1881. Based at the Poor Law School in Hornsey Road. Conductor J. O'Brien in 1900

**Islington Prize Band**

Active in the 1930s

**Islington Reformatory Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Islington Poor House Brass Band*

**Islington St Mary School Band**

Active in 1876

**Islip Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s. Founded by Rev. Francis Trench in the late 1850s, originally established at an expense of £40, raised by subscriptions. The instruments, to begin with, remained the property of the rector and churchwardens and "were not to be taken into any public house or similar place". Conductor Mr Green in 1861

**Ison Green Brass Band** - Hyson Green, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1855

**Issington Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Issington Brass Band*

**Ivian Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

See: *St Ives Brass Band (1)*

**Ivy Leaf Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire, North Riding

Active in the 1930s

**Ivybridge Band** - Devon

Active in the 1900s

**Iwerne Minster Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1858 to 1864 - also known as the Shroton Musical Institution Brass Band

**Ixworth Primitive Methodists Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1900s to 1912

**J. and P. Coats Ltd Brass Band** - Paisley, Renfrewshire

Active in the 1900s. Coats Ltd is a thread and weaving business established in Paisley in the early 1800s. Also known as Ferguslie Brass Band

- J.J. Cordes Works Brass Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire  
See: *Cordes Works Brass Band*
- J.L.B. Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1934.
- Jack Guy's Skipton Mission Band**  
See: *Skipton Properties Band*
- Jackfield (Severn Gorge) Brass Band** - Shropshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jackfield Elcock Reisen Band*
- Jackfield Band** - Shropshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jackfield Elcock Reisen Band*
- Jackfield Elcock Reisen Band** - Shropshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Jackfield Prize Band (1906), Jackfield Prize Silver Band (1923), Jackfield Band, Jackfield (Severn Gorge) Brass Band
- Jackfield Prize Silver Band** - Shropshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jackfield Elcock Reisen Band*
- Jackson Street Mission Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Jackson's Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- Jackson's Saxhorn Band**  
See: *Jackson's Brass Band*
- Jackson's United Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1860. Still active in 1869, treasurer J. MacMillen
- JAG Mount Charles Band** - Cornwall  
[previous name of current band] See: *Mount Charles Band*
- Jaguar (Coventry) Band** - Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Jaguar Land Rover Band*
- Jaguar Car Works Band**  
Active in the late 1950s and early 1960s
- Jaguar Cars (City of Coventry) Band**  
See: *City of Coventry Band*
- Jaguar Land Rover Band** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1940s - Former names: Coventry Boys Band, Coventry School of Music Brass Band, Coventry Festival Band (1957), Rolls-Royce (Coventry) Band (1982-2002), Jaguar (Coventry) Band (2002-2011)
- James' Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Based in Cheltenham. Active in 1913
- James' Brothers Brass Band**  
See: *James' Foundry Company Brass Band*
- James' Company Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire  
See: *James' Foundry Company Brass Band*
- James Deeping Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Deeping St James Brass Band*
- James' Foundry Company Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire  
Active from the early 1860s. They played at the Cottage Hospital Gala in August 1865.  
Still active in 1867



**James' Iron Works Brass Band**

See: *James' Foundry Company Brass Band*

**James Smith and Sons Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in the mid-1880s. Possibly linked to the boot and shoe makers of the same name in the city.

**James Smith and Sons' Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Messrs Smith's Brass Band*

**James Upton's Baskerville Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Baskerville Prize Band*

**Jamestown and Vale of Leven Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire

It was founded as a flute band on temperance principles in 1872 by the headmaster of the Free School, John McNidder and William Munro. Thanks to the generosity of Orr Ewing, Alexander Smollett and others, they obtained their first set of instruments in 1877 and were successful in competitions around the country. Under their first resident conductor, Mr. Shaw, they further improved but ran into financial difficulties in the early 1900s. The band appears to have been reconstituted after the first world war and finally disbanded about 1931.

**Jamestown Temperance Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active from the 1900s to the 1920s

**Jarretts Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1980s

**Jarrow Borough Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s and still active in 1935.

**Jarrow Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1861. Made its public debut in November 1861, two weeks after the Catholic Band. Conductor Thomas Carter in 1867. Active to the 1880s

**Jarrow British Legion Band** - Durham

Active in the 1930s

**Jarrow Chemical Works Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1865, conductor J. Maughan

**Jarrow Engineer Volunteers Band** - Durham

Active in 1875 when it promoted a contest

**Jarrow Free Gardeners' Operatic Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1872

**Jarrow Rolling Mills Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in May 1865, conductor Thomas Carter, following the "lock-out" in Jarrow earlier, during which time there were nightly musical reunions while the men were kept from their employment. Still active in 1867

**Jarrow Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1861. Made its public debut in October 1861

**Jarrow Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1880s. Merged with the Tyne Dock Temperance Band around 1886.

**Jarvis Industrial Welfare Band** - Durham

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Jayess (Queensbury) Band**

Formed in the early 1980s. Merged with the Jayess '87 Band to form the Yorkshire Co-operatives Band in 1998

**Jayess '87 Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the late 1980s. Merged with the Jayess (Queensbury) Band to form the Yorkshire Co-operatives Band in 1998

**Jayess Newbiggin Brass Band** - Northumberland

[current band] - Founded in 2009

**Jedburgh Brass Band** - Roxburghshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Jedforest Instrumental Band*

**Jedforest Instrumental Band** - Roxburghshire

[current band] - Founded in 1853 - Former names: Jedburgh Brass Band

**Jersey Premier Brass** - Isle of Jersey

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Jersey Temperance Brass Band** - Isle of Jersey

Active in 1861. Not affiliated to any particular temperance society on the island.

**Jervis Brass Band** - Jarrow, Durham

See: *Palmer's Works Band*

**Jessop's Steel Works Brass Band** - Brightside, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Messrs W. Jessop and Sons Works Brass Band*

**Jewish Lads' Brigade Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1910s to the 1930s

**JJB Sports Leyland Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Leyland Band*

**John Dickinson (Apsley) Band** - Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire

Formed in 1888, earlier known as Dickinson's Silver Band, consisting of employees of the paper makers John Dickinson and Co of Apsley. Also known as Apsley Mills Silver Prize Band. The Company eventually withdrew their support, and the band changed its name to the Hemel Hempstead Band, in recognition of the support extended to them by the Borough Council. This continued until sponsorship was gained from Atlas Copco Compressors Ltd, becoming the Atlas Copco (Dacorum) Band. In August 1986 the band amalgamated with the Berkhamsted and Boxmoor Band to form the Atlas Copco Band. 1932 - Chipperfield, Hertfordshire. The RAOB had chosen to come to St Paul's Church for their annual Sunday Festival. The assembled brethren represented a large number of lodges from quite a wide area and, in spite of the threatening weather, the group numbered just one short of a hundred. The group assembled in the Church Institute (now the Village Hall) at 3 p.m. and paraded through the village led by Dickinson's Silver Band. At 4 p.m. a service was held in the church. Following this, they processed to the war memorial, led by the cross-bearer, vicar and choir and a wreath was laid there. The finale was most impressive. A senior brother ordered the circle of men to link arms and on the command 'Count', each member in succession called out his number in the chain up to 99. The band played Handel's 'Largo' and the line broke up and dispersed.

**John Foster Black Dyke Mills Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Black Dyke Band*

**John Knowles Works Band** - Woodville, Derbyshire

Active in the 1930s, linked to the pottery works.

**John Laing (Hendon) Band**

See: *Hendon Band*

**John Leggott College Brass Band** - Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**John Summers and Sons Steelworks Band** - Shotton, Flintshire

Active from 1919. Amalgamated with the Connahs Quay Silver Prize Band in 1972 to form the new Deeside Silver Band

**John Taylor School Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Based at the school in Barton-under-Needwood, it was active in the 1960s and 1970s

**John Thompson Works Prize Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Active in 1920s through 1960s. In the 20s and 30s it was also known as the Band of the 6th Battalion South Staffs Regiment. After WW2 it was known as the John Thompson Works Band.

**John Waddington Band**

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

**John White Footwear Brass Band** - Higham Ferrers, Northamptonshire

Formed in 1953, gave its first concert in January 1954, disbanded in 1957. Made its broadcasting debut in 1955 with a concert relayed from the Parish Rooms in Higham Ferrers, George Thompson conducting. George Thompson had previously been the conductor of the Odhams Press Band. All the bandsmen were employees of the John White Footwear organisation.

**John Wootton's Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Gawcott Brass Band*

**Johnstone Band** - Renfrewshire

[current band] - Founded in 1834 - Former names: Johnstone Brass Band, Johnstone Silver Band - Note: Formed by workers in the local textile mills. At that time Johnstone and Paisley were second only to the North of England in the manufacture and processing of cotton and the workers were keen to take up music as a new leisure pursuit. By the 1850's the Johnstone Brass Band were only one of about nine bands that existed within a six mile radius but by the end of the Second World War were the only band to survive.

**Johnstone Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Johnstone Band*

**Jones and Crossland Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Birmingham School of Music Band*

**Joppa Brass Band**

See: *Leeds Joppa Band*

**Joppa Operatic Band**

See: *Leeds Joppa Band*

**JPD Mereside Brass** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Mereside Brass*

**Jubilee (Victoria) Brass Band** - Farndon, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Farndon & District Brass Band*

**Jubilee Brass (Oxford) Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Note: Set up from a group of players who split away from the City of Oxford Silver Band in 1977

**Jubilee Brass Band** - Halliwell, Lancashire

See: *Halliwell Brass Band*

**Jubilee Brass Southampton** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**Jubilee Concert Band**

See: *Horncastle Jubilee Concert Band*

**Jubilee School Brass Band** - Halliwell, Lancashire

See: *Halliwell Brass Band*

**Jump Brass Band**

See: *Jump Subscription Brass Band*

**Jump Subscription Brass Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to WW1, conductor W. Chadwick in 1880, Albert Wadsworth in 1906, A. Copeland in 1908

**Junction Foundry Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1858

**Junction Street Baptist School Brass Band**

See: *Junction Street Brass Band*

**Junction Street Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. At their annual meeting in 1912 it was reported that the previous year they had an income of £43, £20 spent on instruments, £24 obtained from engagements. The band secretary was J. Thompson, 79, Drewry-lane, Derby.

**Junction Street Sunday School Brass Band**

See: *Junction Street Brass Band*

**Junction Works and Victoria Tube Works Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Active in 1862

**Junior Leaders Regiment R.A.C. Band** - Bovington Camp, Dorset

Active in the 1960s to 1980s

**Junior Oddfellows Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk

Active in 1891

**Juniper Green Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor J. Scott in 1900

**JWE Mobile Phone Dodworth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dodworth Colliery Miners Welfare Band*

**K Division Police Brass Band** - West Ham, Essex

Founded in 1860, consisting of 35 policemen from Bow and West Ham, conductor W. Lake. Made its public debut in November 1860, by which time there were 40 performers. Still active in 1865. See also B, D, E, H, L, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**Katesgrove Iron Works Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

See: *Messrs Barrett, Exall and Andrewes Brass Band*

**Katherine Bayley Charity School Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire

See: *Bayley's Charity Brass Band*

**Keal Cotes Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active around 1910

**Kearby Social Brass Band** - Netherby, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1908

**Kearsley Public Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Kearsley Silver Band** - Lancashire

See: *Kearsley St Stephens Band*

**Kearsley St Stephens Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1869. In December 1867 the Parish Notes of St Stephen's Church record that "On December 17th a miscellaneous entertainment, in aid of the School Fund was given by gentlemen amateurs, who most kindly and spontaneously offered their services. The

managers of the School tender them their hearty thanks". The next mention is the following Whitsun. "On the 5th June 1868 the Whitsuntide procession was headed by the Royal Hulme Brass Band and 'our own drum and fife band". In May 1869 it was minuted, "A brass band is also being formed, which has met with such liberal support already from the above Schools as renders it certain that success will attend all of its promoters. The following are the subscriptions already received: Mr Blair Esq - £10; Clifton and Kearsley Coal Company - £7; Wm Tonge - £4 and 4 shillings; Wm Welsby - £3 and 15 shillings; Wm Jones - £3 and 15 shillings; Mr Steward - £1; Mr Johnson - £1; Mrs Baker - 11 shillings and 6 pence; Mr Joseph Grundy - 10 shillings; Mr D Taylor - 10 shillings; Mr Charles Hollows - 5 shillings; Mr Dennis Lever - 5 shillings; Mr James Grundy - 5 shillings; Mr Richard Edwardes - 5 shillings; Mr Barnet Fyles - 5 shillings." Further subscriptions were made in July and a Tea Party was held on the 16th August. Were an audience spent an 'unusually pleasant evening'. In September of 1869 it was noted that the brass band contributed very largely to the entertainment of the Wakes Tea Party. Soon after the band was founded they appointed an aptly named Mr Blower as their first musical instructor. The band changed to Kearsley Silver Band sometime during the 1940's. In 1951 they competed in the 4th section North West regional championships at the Victoria Hall, Bolton. In 1961 disaster struck the band, there was a blaze at the bandroom destroying the entire music library of the band and several instruments. The band was already in debt and the band treasurer said that they were facing a total bill of £900 for repairs and replacement of instruments, there was 'no hope' for the future existence of the band. Band President Robert Smith was more upbeat however, saying 'we have a lot of young members. With their enthusiasm I am sure we shall overcome this setback'. The bands saviour took the shape of Eaton Truck Components on Worsley Road North. Eaton agreed a sponsorship deal with the band and with a lot of hard work and the help of other local bands, chiefly Walkden Band who lent them the use of several instruments and a big street drum, the band managed to pull through. They changed the bands name to Eaton Works Band and moved into the works canteen for rehearsals. Also known as Eaton (Truck Components) Band and Eaton Transmission Gear Group Band. Due to falling numbers of players they merged with Farnworth Old Band in 1991 under the new name of Eaton Farnworth Brass Band.

**Kearsley Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2010

**Kedleston Street Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Formed in 1903. Secretary - F.W. Lewis of 43 Sherwin Street; Bandmaster - T.A. Bailey

**Kedleston Street Primitive Methodists Band**

See: *Kedleston Street Brass Band*

**Keelby Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1862 to the 1880s

**Keelby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Keelby Amateur Brass Band*

**Kegworth Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active 1887 and also in the late 1920s and 1930s

**Keighley Brass Band**

Formed in the 1840s by Benjamin and William Marriner, owners of the Greengates Mill. Also known as Keighley Mariners Band. Conductor J. Sugden in 1860. Two euphonium players around 1900 were Myles Riley and Herbert Riley. In a competition of bass

players at the Crystal Palace in 1861 (the prize being a sonorophone contre-bass in E flat, with rotary valves), five players entered the lists, and the prize was eventually awarded to a bass player of the Keighley Band, who played a double B flat trombone of his own invention. The Manchester Guardian said: "This portion of the competition greatly excited the risible faculties of the assembly. The unwieldy instruments, the gruff and deep tones they emitted, the elephantine gambols they were made to execute, and the earnestness of the players, made the scene irresistibly comic." They competed in the Barnoldswick Contest in 1886. The band was active into the 1990s.

### **Keighley Mariners Band**

See: *Keighley Brass Band*

### **Keighley Victoria Brass Band**

Active in the 1930s

### **Keinton Brass Band - Somerset**

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1910s. Conductor A. Cook in 1895-1911. Also known as Keinton Temperance Band

### **Keinton Mandeville Temperance Brass Band - Somerset**

See: *Keinton Brass Band*

### **Keith and District Brass - Banffshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Keith and District Silver Band*

### **Keith and District Silver Band - Banffshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1969 - Former names: Keith & District Brass

### **Keith Brass Band - Banffshire**

Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductor Charles Middleton in 1880-1893, J.N. Taylor in 1905

### **Kelbarrow Brass Band**

Active in the 1920s/30s

### **Kelbrook Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1860s to 1869

### **Keld Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the early 1900s and 1920s

### **Kellingley Colliery Band - Knottingley, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in June 1981 from a small nucleus of former Lofthouse Colliery Band members. The band then progressed, providing musical opportunities for the youngsters of the mining community. Active through the 1980s

### **Kelsall's Wax Works Brass Band**

A professional brass band belonging to the travelling wax works. Active in 1869

### **Kelso Brass Band - Roxburghshire**

Active in 1866 to 1869

### **Kelso Silver Band - Roxburghshire**

Active in the 1950s

### **Kelty and Blairadam Band - Fife**

See: *Kelty Brass Band*

### **Kelty Brass Band - Fife**

Active from the early 1860s, conductor Mr Forrester in 1880. Also known as Kelty and Blairadam Band. In 1895, they won the Second Section in the first Scottish Championships, conducted by John Gladney. Over 8,000 followers of the 22 competing bands attended this event which was held in Edinburgh's Waverley Market. Facilities in

the market were primitive. There was no seating. Bands performed standing in the ring used by the cattle auctioneers with spectators on stepped terraces. The major advantage of the venue was its proximity to Edinburgh's main line railway station. Most bands and their supporters made their way to the Championships by train, the railway specials to the Championships being the first organised railway excursions to any event in Scotland. The Kelty and Blairadam Band merged with Cowdenbeath Band in 1999 to form Kingdom Brass.

**Kelvedon Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1861 to 1869. Conductor T. Braybrooke in 1869

**Kelvedon Brotherhood Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1914 and the 1950s. Part of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoons Brotherhood.

**Kelvedon Hatch Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the early 1900s

**Kelvin Dock Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in 1854

**Kemble Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1867 to 1869

**Kempford Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1867

**Kempston Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Kempston Town Band*

**Kempston Town Band** - Bedfordshire

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1930s

**Kempston White Cross Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Formed in the 1890s, bandmaster G. Leach.

**Kendal Amateur Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1840 and 1868

**Kendal Borough Band** - Westmorland

Active from the early 1900s. On Saturday July 19, 1912, to celebrate the Co-op jubilee, nearly 3,000 children took part in a parade through the town, starting from New Road and finishing in Town View Field. The Morecambe Silver Band met the special trains at Kendal Station and the children were marched to New Road, where a procession was formed with the younger ones being carried on charabancs and lorries. "Once tea was served, the adults were admitted to take part in the festivities and, during that period, the Kendal Borough Band played "pleasing selections" of music. Active until the late 1970s

**Kendal Catholic Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1869

**Kendal Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1855

**Kendal Mechanics Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1851 to 1853.

**Kendal Temperance Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1850

**Kendal Union Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Kendal Workhouse Brass Band*

**Kendal Union Juvenile Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Kendal Workhouse Brass Band*

**Kendal Volunteers Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1890s

**Kendal Workhouse Brass Band** - Westmorland

Formed in June 1866 by John Bateman, who was also the conductor. First public appearance in January 1867. Still active in 1875. It was actually a juvenile band made up from boys in the workhouse.

**Kendrick's Pride of the Village Saxhorn Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire

Active in 1866

**Kenfig Hill Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1916

**Kenilworth Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in 1892, conductor Romeo Bond in 1895. Contemporary with the Kenilworth Subscription Band for a while, taking on the name of Kenilworth Town Band at some time.

**Kenilworth Silver Band**

See: *Kenilworth Subscription Brass Band*

**Kenilworth Subscription Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in 1903. Active in 1905, conductor T. Brown. Renamed Kenilworth Town Band and then Kenilworth Silver Band. Folded at the end of 1954 when most of its players transferred to Leamington and formed the Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band being joined by a few members of Cubbington Band and Bishops Itchington Imperial Band.

**Kenilworth Town Band (1)**

See: *Kenilworth Brass Band*

**Kenilworth Town Band (2)**

See: *Kenilworth Subscription Brass Band*

**Kennedy's Swinton Concert Band**

See: *Swinton Concert Brass*

**Kennet School Brass Band** - Thatcham, Berkshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Kennet Vale Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1934 - Former names: Kennet Vale Silver Band - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of the Lockeridge Band and Overton Band

**Kennet Vale Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kennet Vale Band*

**Kennington (Oxford) Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: Kennington (Oxford) Youth Band (to 1985) - Note: Kennington (Oxford) Youth Band was founded in 1973 with a significant number of players from City of Oxford (Junior) Band. They were based in Kennington, just outside Oxford and were an immediate success winning many local and national contests as well as playing over a hundred concerts every year. Renamed Kennington (Oxford) Band when all the players became too old even to vaguely call themselves youths - around 1985!

**Kennington (Oxford) Youth Band** - Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kennington (Oxford) Band*



**Kensington and Chelsea Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1922

**Kensington Borough Temperance Band** - Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s, folding in 1906

**Kensington Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Kensworth Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Formed in 1919 by Francis Domino Bowles, of 'Bleak Hall' in the village, who bought all the instruments and uniforms, and trained the players. Performed on Studham Green in 1920. The band continued until the late 1930s when it folded.

**Kent Brass** - Maidstone, Kent

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Rehearsed at the Fountain pub in Barming, near Maidstone. Kent Youth Brass also existed.

**Kent County Industrial School Band** - Kingsnorth, Kent

Active from the late 1870s to 1913. Bandmaster E. Clinton in 1893-1906. The school was also known as Stanhope Industrial School for Boys and was built in 1875 to house 200 boys. A "good band" had been established by 1879, and up to 40 boys performed in it, and they regularly went from the school to join army bands.

**Kent Police Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Kent Street Mission Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Formed around 1903. When the mission was demolished in 1950 the band moved and took on the name Warrington Silver Band. A Junior Band was started in 1965. Merged with Latchford Prize Band in 1980 to form Latchford Warrington Silver Band.

**Kenton Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1870. Also known as 3rd Northumberland Artillery Band

**Kent's Works Silver Band** - Luton, Bedfordshire

Probably formed around 1946. Still active in the 1970s, they were attached to George Kent Ltd. (electrical components) factory. Went on to become Longland Brass, named after the association with Ted Longland. The band survived into the 1980's. They eventually became High Town Brass because they rehearsed in an area of Luton called High Town.

**Keppoch Instrumental Brass Band** - Possil Park, Lanarkshire

Active in 1858

**Keresley and Coundon Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1930s to 1950s, conductor C. Oughton in the 1930s.

**Kernow Brass** - Cornwall

The word "Kernow" is a word in the Cornish language that means "Cornwall". A group of bandsmen decided to form a new Mid-Cornwall band in 1981. Instruments were purchased and rehearsals began under the baton of Stanley Penhaligon, he being taken over by Mike Faro. In 1983 a new conductor was appointed, Alan Slaughter, a Royal Marines musician. He stayed until 1994 when Mike Faro came back to fill in until a more permanent person could take on the job. That person was David Pope, who now conducts the Bugle Band. Kernow Brass contested almost from day one, with the last competitive appearance being in 2000 at the Bugle Festival. They do appear to have had a successful 20 years so why did they disband? Probably because they never had a home

of their own, and the way modern bands function, this need is extremely important. Also known as St Austell Kernow Band, Kernow Royal British Legion Band

**Kernow Concert Brass** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Kernow Royal British Legion Band** - Cornwall

See: *Kernow Brass*

**Kerrison School Brass Band** - Thorndon, Suffolk

The Kerrison Reformatory School for Boys was founded in 1856. In 1882 a drum and fife band of 25 boys was formed. The band became very popular in the county. Such was its success in October 1898, drums and fifes gave way to military band instruments, uniforms having just been acquired. By 1901 the numbers had increased to 30 and by 1915 there were 53. They were quite a sight in their blue uniforms with red trim when they marched up to church every Sunday. At the resignation of bandmaster Sapey in 1934, and no provision remained for the salary of a successor, it was reluctantly decided that the band should not continue.

**Kerse Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1879, when it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Oddfellows Lodge, who had gorgeous banners illustrative of the objects of the Order, and the fantastic robes and head gear of the officials attracted no little notice. Still active in the 1900s, conductor E. McGlasson. The band probably folded during WW1.

**Kerse Parish Church Brass Band** - Grangemouth, Stirlingshire

Active in 1924

**KES Brass** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Bocking Concert Brass*

**Keswick Brass Band (1)** - Cumberland

Active from the late 1830s to the early 1860s

**Keswick Brass Band (2)** - Cumberland

See: *Keswick Temperance Band*

**Keswick Rechabites Band** - Cumberland

See: *Keswick Temperance Band*

**Keswick Temperance Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1900s

**Keswick Union Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1856

**Ketley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1867

**Kettering Albert Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kettering Town Silver Band*

**Kettering Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1859

**Kettering Christian Army Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s

**Kettering Fuller Mission Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1893 to 1935

**Kettering Gold and Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1970s to 1990s

**Kettering Midland Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the early 1900s to WW1.

**Kettering Primitive Mission Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1908

**Kettering Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1970s. In 1910, the Bandmaster was T.R. Preston and the Secretary, E.R. James

**Kettering Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Kettering Town Silver Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1871 - Former names: Stanley's Band, Albert Brass Band - Note: Originally formed by workmen at the Stanley's Boot and Shoe Works, Albert Street.

**Kettering United Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Kettering Victoria Mission Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Victoria Hall Mission Brass Band*

**Kettle Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1876

**Kettlehulme Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1886

**Kettlewell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1862

**Ketton Brass Band** - Rutland

Formed in May 1888 by Dr Snell, with 20 members and conductor A. Rippon. Active through to 1914. Conductor S. Selby in 1906, C. Hawkins in 1908-1913. Also known as Ketton Excelsior Band, Ketton Primrose Brass Band

**Ketton Excelsior Band**

See: *Ketton Brass Band*

**Ketton Primrose Brass Band**

See: *Ketton Brass Band*

**Keyham Dockyard Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in late 1856

**Keynsham Brass Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1980

**Keynsham Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1880s, but disbanded in 1975. A successor band was formed in 1980. Records of the band, covering 1912 to 1948, are held at the Bristol Record Office.

**Keynsham Town Band**

See: *Keynsham Brass Band*

**Keyworth Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. Conductor O. Disney in 1930

**Kibblesworth and Ravensworth Brass Band**

See: *Ravensworth Colliery Band*

**Kibblesworth Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductor R. Roddams in 1916

**Kibblesworth Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed after WW2 and still active in the late 1950s. Probably folded in the 1960s

**Kibworth Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1905 - Former names: Kibworth Temperance Band, Kibworth Brass Band, Alliance & Leicester Kibworth Band

**Kibworth Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Formed in the 1850s by Mr Higham. Folded some time before November 1867 when a successor band was formed, also by Mr Higham

**Kibworth Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Founded in November 1867 by Mr Higham. Captain Phillips became bandmaster in 1869 which greatly improved their playing. Conductor John Illiffe from 1879. Folded in the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1905.

**Kibworth Brass Band (3)** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kibworth Band*

**Kibworth Temperance Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kibworth Band*

**Kidderminster Brass Band (1)** - Worcestershire

See: *Kidderminster Old Band*

**Kidderminster Brass Band (2)** - Worcestershire

Formed in 1980, folded somewhere around 1990.

**Kidderminster Conservative Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1861

**Kidderminster Excelsior Band** - Worcestershire

Founded on Monday 5th October 1868 with 21 members, instruments costing £100. A separate band to the "Old" band. Still active in 1869

**Kidderminster Juvenile Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1857

**Kidderminster Old Band** - Worcestershire

Active from the 1840s, enrolling with the 1st Kidderminster Rifle Corps in 1860 for a short period. Active through to the 1880s

**Kidderminster Old Meeting Sunday School Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1858

**Kidderminster Saxhorn Band**

See: *Kidderminster Old Band*

**Kidderminster Silver Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1950s, conductor J.H. Boffy

**Kidderminster St Mary's Victoria Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the early 1870s

**Kidderminster Town Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Kidlington Amateur Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1853. Various mentions from c.1840 through to 1872, with regular references to the band appearing in the press. Assumed to have folded in the early 1870s.

**Kidlington Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

See: *Kidlington Amateur Brass Band*

**Kidlington Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

See: *Kidlington Silver Band*

**Kidlington Concert Brass** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1992 - Former names: Merger of Kidlington Silver Band and Oxford Concert Brass

**Kidlington Silver Band** - Oxfordshire

Formed around 1892, when it is described in the press as being a new formation. This band continues for 100 years through to 1992 when the band merged with Oxford Concert Brass to form Kidlington Concert Brass. It spent its early years in the lower sections, however following the appointment of Terry Brotherhood in 1979 the band quickly progressed through the sections, from the third section in 1982 to the championship section in 1990. It found itself in the first section in 1992 following the creation of this section. Conductors included: Terry Brotherhood - c.1979 to 1991, David Martin - c.1976 - 1979, G. Chesterman - c.1955 - 1967.

**Kidsgrove Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1855 to 1868

**Kidsgrove Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1873. In 1876 a brass band competition was held at the beautifully wooded grounds of Oxley Manor, Wolverhampton. Crowds of people lined the Stafford Road to see the event and a jolly time was had by all, thanks to the benevolence of the owner of land, the M.P. Alexander Staveley Hill. After the prize giving, won by the Kidsgrove Real Excelsior Band, the entertainments went on into the evening with "Old English pastimes", and dancing. The band competed in the British Open in 1934. It had probably folded by WW2.

**Kidsgrove Original Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Kidsgrove Excelsior Band*

**Kidsgrove Real Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Kidsgrove Excelsior Band*

**Kidsgrove Town Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Kidsgrove Excelsior Band*

**Kidwelly Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

See: *Kidwelly Town Band*

**Kidwelly Town Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active from the 1880s to WW1. Also active from the early 1970s to early 1980s. Not known if the band existed in the interim.

**Kilbarchan Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1850s through to the 1890s

**Kilbarchan Rifles Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1860s

**Kilbirnie and Glengarnock Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1900s. In 1904 the members of the Band presented their leader, Mr Andrew McCallum, with a silver mounted baton. Mr James Houston presided at the ceremony and Mr James Fyfe made the presentation. Still active in 1917

**Kilbirnie Brass Band**

See: *Kilbirnie and Glengarnock Brass Band*

**Kilburn and Marylebone G.C.R. Band**

See: *Great Central and Metropolitan Band*

**Kilburn Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Kilburn United Brass Band*

**Kilburn Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Played at the annual tea meeting at the colliery in August 1862

**Kilburn Gas Works Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s to WW1.

**Kilburn Gas, Light and Coke Company Band**

See: *Kilburn Gas Works Brass Band*

**Kilburn Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1865

**Kilburn United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Kilburn Victoria Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1950s

**Kildwick and District Band**

See: *Kildwick Brass Band*

**Kildwick Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Attained 4th place at a contest in Keighly on 1 September 1866, competed in a contest at the Wakefield Agricultural Show on 24 August 1867, and also at a contest at the Craven Agricultural Society, Skipton, on 30 August 1867. Took part in the Friendly Societies' Gala at Keighley in 1907. It folded sometime in the late 1920s. For further details see "Kildwick Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk).

**Kilkhampton Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Kilkhampton Band*

**Kilkhampton Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1863. Kilkhampton can be found about 5 miles north of Bude and from 1866 to 1890 their band was certainly carrying out engagements in the North Cornwall area. Whilst there are many references to their activities, not once is a conductor mentioned. They did no contesting. Still active in 1897

**Killamarsh and Dronfield Community Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 2012 - Former names: Formed from previous members of Killamarsh Silver Band

**Killamarsh Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Killamarsh Old Brass Band*

**Killamarsh Old Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1830s. Merged with Killamarsh St Giles Band in 1890 to form the current Killamarsh Silver Band

**Killamarsh Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Killamarsh St Giles Band (to 1890) - Note: Amalgamated with Killamarsh Old Band in 1890

**Killamarsh St Giles Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Killamarsh Silver Band*

**Killamarsh St Giles Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from around 1890. Conductor G. Burnham in 1904, W.H. Hepworth in 1911. Merged with Killamarsh Old Band to form the current Killamarsh Silver Band

**Killamarsh Steel Works Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1863

**Killingworth Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1876, secretary James Wardle

**Kilmarnock Area Schools Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Kilmarnock Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Kilmarnock Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1920s to 1940s

**Kilmarnock Concert Brass** - Ayrshire

[current band] - Founded in 1970 - Former names: Kilmarnock Youth Band

**Kilmarnock Laigh Kirk Band** - Ayrshire

The band's records, 1855-1877, are held in the Ayrshire Archives

**Kilmarnock Youth Band** - Ayrshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kilmarnock Concert Brass*

**Kilminster Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1859

**Kilndown and Goudhurst Brass Band**

See: *Goudhurst Brass Band*

**Kilnhurst Alliance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s to WW1. Conductor J.W. Taylor, 1880, J. Williams, 1896, J. Tyas in 1904

**Kilnhurst Brass Band**

See: *Kilnhurst Alliance Brass Band*

**Kilnhurst Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Kilsyth Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Kilsyth Instrumental Brass Band*

**Kilsyth Burgh Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed in 1936 by the amalgamation of the Kilsyth Public Silver Band and the Kilsyth Town Silver Band

**Kilsyth Instrumental Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1865 to 1869

**Kilsyth Miners Welfare Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed after WW2 and active through to the late 1950s

**Kilsyth Public Silver Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the 1880s. Merged with the Kilsyth Town Silver Band in 1936 to form the Kilsyth Burgh Band

**Kilsyth Town Silver Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the 1900s. Merged with the Kilsyth Public Silver Band in 1936 to form the Kilsyth Burgh Band

**Kilsyth Victoria Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1912

**Kilve Band** - Somerset

Active in 1909

**Kilwinning Brass Band**

Active in 1872, when they participated in the celebrations for the opening of the new Orange Hall in Irvine.

**Kilwinning Iron Works Band**

Active in 1872, when they participated in the celebrations for the opening of the new Orange Hall in Irvine.

**Kimberley Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from 1854 to the 1910s, conducted by F.R. Twells from 1878. In 1894 it became the Babbington Colliery St John Ambulance Band, still led by Mr Twells until his death in 1908.

**Kimbolton Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1

**Kimbolton Comrades Silver Band** - Huntingdonshire

Formed after WW1 and active through to the 1950s

**Kincardine Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1859 to 1864

**Kineton Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the early 1880s. For further details see "Kineton Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**King Cross Brass Band (1)** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853, conductor Joseph Soothill

**King Cross Brass Band (2)** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1870, rehearsing at the Old King Cross Inn. Active through to WW2. In 1905, their band room was next to the Trafalgar Inn, Halifax.

**King Cross British Legion Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the late 1940s to the early 1950s

**King Cross Prize Band**

See: *King Cross Brass Band (2)*

**King Cross Subscription Band**

See: *King Cross Brass Band (2)*

**King Oswald Brass Band** - Oswestry, Shropshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor in 1891 was J.P. Littlehales

**King Street Wesleyan Bible Class Band**

See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Kingdom Brass** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1999 - Note: Amalgamation of Cowdenbeath Band and Kelty & Blairadam Band

**Kinghorn Brass Band** - Fife

Active from 1862 through to WW1. Conductor George Oswald in 1903 onwards

**Kinglassie Colliery Band** - Fife

Active in 1949

**King's Cliffe Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from 1860, disbanding in 1904, shortly after new instruments had been bought.

**King's Cliffe Victoria Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1902

**King's Cross Band**

See: *King's Cross Subscription Band*

**King's Cross Mission Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s. The mission was based at Charlotte Street (later renamed Carnegie Street).



**King's Cross Subscription Band** - Middlesex

In 1911 the band was refused the right to bear the title "Royal". Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s as King's Cross Band

**King's Dyke and Whittlesey Band** - Cambridgeshire

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s

**King's Dyke Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**King's Hall Mission Band**

See: *King's Hall Silver Band*

**King's Hall Silver Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1910s to 1930s

**King's Heath Adult School Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Founded in 1903, conductor Harry Price. Active through to the 1920s. Also known as Kings Heath Early Morning School Band

**King's Heath Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Assisted the newly formed Shirley Town Band in engagements in the early 1920s. Believed to have gone out of existence in the 1950s.

**King's Heath Early Morning School Band**

See: *Kings Heath Adult School Band*

**King's Heath Lamplighters Band**

See: *Kings Heath Brass Band*

**King's Heath Old Band**

See: *Kings Heath Brass Band*

**King's Lancashire Military Convalescent Hospital Band** - Blackpool, Lancashire

Active around 1915

**Kings Langley School Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

[no information]

**Kings Lynn Imperial Silver Band**

See: *Surrey Street Mission Band*

**King's Lynn Police Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1880s

**King's Lynn Railway Band**

Active around 1910

**Kings Lynn Town Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1894

**King's Norton Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1900s to 1920s. Conductor A. Fewster in 1905

**King's Nympton Club Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1868

**King's Nympton Methodist Temperance Band** - Devon

Active in the early 1900s

**King's Nympton Town Band** - Devon

Active in the early 1900s

**King's Park Brass** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1981 - Former names: 118th Glasgow Boys? Brigade Band (to 2004)

- King's Somborne Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s
- King's Somborne Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1890s to 1930s. Conductor Charles Browning in 1903
- King's Stag Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1880s. H. Mogg bandmaster in 1881
- King's Stanley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1960s - Note: Restarted by Norman Pickett and his family
- King's Stanley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active from 1866 through until 1939. A successor band was formed in the mid 1960s by Norman Pickett and his family.
- Kings Sutton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active from 1861 to the 1900s
- Kings Sutton Temperance Brass Band**  
See: *Kings Sutton Brass Band*
- Kingsbridge Brass Band (1)** - Devon  
Active in 1860, conductor Mr Cranch. Still active in 1869
- Kingsbridge Brass Band (2)** - Devon  
See: *Kingsbridge Subscription Band*
- Kingsbridge Rifles Band** - Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- Kingsbridge Silver Band** - Devon  
[current band] - Founded in the 1930s
- Kingsbridge Subscription Band** - Devon  
Founded in 1885. Robert Carter, of Garden Mill, later Shindle Mill, was said to be Bandsmaster, late 19th century. He was also a solo cornet player at concerts in Kingsbridge Town Hall. Active through to WW1. A successor band was formed in the 1920s/1930 (Kingsbridge Borough Band, later the current Kingsbridge Silver Band)
- Kingsbury Episcopi Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1884
- Kingsclere Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1862 to 1866
- Kingskerswell Brass Band** - Devon  
Active from 1864 to 1914. Conductor T. Woollacott in 1908, W.H. Nicks in 1914
- Kingskettle Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from the early 1880s into the 1920s. Conductor R. Moyes in 1910
- Kingsland Brass Band** - Holyhead, Anglesey  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s, conducted by William Roberts
- Kingsland Brass Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Kingsland Police Brass Band*
- Kingsland P.S.A. Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1909. The Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Societies (or Brotherhoods) were a national effort by non-conformist churches to involve young men in social and religious activity on Sunday afternoons.
- Kingsland Police Brass Band** - Middlesex  
See: *N Division Police Brass Band*

- Kingsleigh School Brass Band** - Bournemouth, Hampshire  
Active in the 1990s
- Kingsley Brass Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Kingsley Temperance Brass Band*
- Kingsley Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1866 and the early 1900s
- Kingsley Temperance Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1868, 1869
- Kingsthorpe Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active from the early 1880s to the early 1890s. Conductor George Whyman in 1886-1888, W. West in 1889
- Kingston Amateur Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1864, conductor Mr. Acey. Still active in 1877
- Kingston Brass Band** - Ferring, Sussex  
[no information]
- Kingston Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Kingston Amateur Brass Band*
- Kingston Brass Band** - near Swanage, Dorset  
Active in 1885. The village had a band, paid for by the Third Earl of Eldon, lord of that manor.
- Kingston Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1908
- Kingston Cotton Mills Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Kingston Cotton Mills Band*
- Kingston Lisle United Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1920s. Documents relating to the band are in Tom Brown's School Museum, Uffington. It was nicknamed the "Block-splitters". Harry Timms used to play the big drum.
- Kingston Mills Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Based at a cotton mill in Hyde, Cheshire, and formed by the mill owner, Henry Clayton, commenced contesting in 1872 and, by 1888, had won many prizes including a hat-trick at the British Open in 1885, 1886 and 1887 under the baton of John Gladney. By 1890 it was earning fabulous sums from its contesting and concert giving. It fell upon poor times after 1901 and, after the Second World War, a nucleus of the remaining members formed the Hyde British Legion Band. In 1896, the secretary was Thomas Ogden, and in 1902 it was John Knowles. A picture of the band shows it with a drum stating "1837-1897" implying the band was formed in 1837. Folded at or during WW2.
- Kingston Mills Prize Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
See: *Kingston Mills Band*
- Kingston Mills Reserve Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Kingston Mission Silver Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1932
- Kingston Park Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Kingston Amateur Brass Band*
- Kingston Private Brass Band** - Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey  
Active in 1860, conductor E. Wood

- Kingston Temperance Brass Band** - near Sturminster Newton, Dorset  
Active in 1864
- Kingston United Brass Band** - Berkshire  
See: *Kingston Lisle United Brass Band*
- Kingston Unity Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1858
- Kingston Unity Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Linked to the Leeds Kingston Unity Friendly Society.
- Kingsway Printers Cleethorpes Band** - Lincolnshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: Cleethorpes New Brass Band, Cleethorpes Silver Prize Band (to 1936), Cleethorpes Borough Band (to 1974), Cleethorpes Band - Note: Report by the editor of the column 'Telegraph Talk' in 'The Eastern Daily Telegraph' on 16th December 1897 that: 'The Cleethorpes New Brass Band will shortly make their public appearance. They practise nightly in Nuttal's Booth, blowing most industriously - I am glad to say not to make 'night hideous.' Their first start will be made as Christmas waits.
- Kingsway Rochdale Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the late 1980s and 1990s
- Kingsway Youth Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s
- Kingswood (Bristol) Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Kingswood and District Band*
- Kingswood Abbey Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wotton & District Silver Band*
- Kingswood Abbey Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active from the early 1900s to the 1940s
- Kingswood Amateur Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1861
- Kingswood and District Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Formed in 1958. Later known as Potters Wood Kingswood Hill Bristol Silver Band (1960s), Kingswood (Potters Wood) Silver Band (1966), Bendix Kingswood Band (1976-2006), and Kingswood (Bristol) Band (to 2007). It amalgamated with the Albion Dockyard Silver Band in 1966 and then with the Bristol East Band in 2007 to form the Bristol East and Kingswood Band.
- Kingswood and District Band** - Surrey  
Active from the 1920s to the 1960s
- Kingswood and Hanham British Legion Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1940s and 1950s. Competed in the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth (organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950.
- Kingswood Brass** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1980s, conducted by Glynn Whittington
- Kingswood Civil Defence Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1954
- Kingswood Colliery Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1865, conductor W. Hardman. Cossham and Wethered were a company owning various coal mines in the Bristol area, including Kingswood Colliery

### **Kingswood Evangel Mission Band**

See: *Kingswood Evangel Prize Silver Band*

### **Kingswood Evangel Prize Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

Formed in 1881 to aid the work of the local Salvation Army, but when required to sign the SA Band Rules, in 1888, they declined and formed the Evangel Mission Band instead. Took part in the Winterbourne Carnival in 1923. Competed in the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth (organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950. Competed in the 1962 West of England Regional Championships, conducted by W.S. Smith. Probably folded in the 1960s.

### **Kingswood Evangelist Mission Silver Band**

See: *Kingswood Evangel Prize Silver Band*

### **Kingswood Gospel Temperance Mission Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1884

### **Kingswood Primitive Methodist Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1884, disbanded in 1907. Secretary J. Edwards in 1884

### **Kingswood Reformatory School Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1894, 1905. The school was opened and certified in 1854, eventually growing to 150 pupils.

### **Kingswood School Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1894

### **Kingswood Sunday School Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1860. The school was attached to the Zion Free Methodist Chapel

### **Kingswood Town Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in the early 1900s to 1930s. In 1933 it took part in a festival of brass bands at the Colston Hall, Bristol.

### **Kingswood Wesleyan Brass Band**

See: *Kingswood Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

### **Kingswood Y.M.C.A. Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1930s

### **Kington Amateur Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Active in 1846

### **Kington Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Phillips

### **Kington Magna Brass Band - Dorset**

Active in 1863 and through the 1860s - engaged by the Gillingham Total Abstinence Society

### **Kington Oddfellows Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Active in 1861, 1862

### **Kington Temperance Brass Band - Kington Magna, Dorset**

See: *Kington Magna Brass Band*

### **Kinnaird and District Band - Perthshire**

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s

### **Kinnaird Instrumental Band - Perthshire**

Active in the 1860s

### **Kinneil Brass Band - West Lothian**

[previous name of current band] See: *Unison Kinneil Band*

**Kinneil Colliery Silver Band** - West Lothian

Active in 1958, when it competed in the Glasgow Charities Contest, winning the "Second Section Cup" and coming third in the open contest, playing "New World Symphony" by Dvorak.

**Kinneil Instrumental Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Unison Kinneil Band*

**Kinsley Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Kinsley Fitzwilliam-Hemsworth Colliery Band**

See: *Kinsley Colliery Band*

**Kinson Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Saunders in 1863, T. Burt in 1903, S.W. Saunders in 1905

**Kintbury Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1892

**Kippax (Allerton Bywater Workshops N.U.M.) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Kippax Band*

**Kippax Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1834 - Former names: Kippax Old Prize Band, Kippax (Allerton Bywater Workshops N.U.M.) Band - Note: In 1933 the Band decided to have tea to "commemorate the Band as being the oldest brass band in England on January 13th 1934. This year makes 120 years as a Band and 100 years as an all Brass Band." The band was thus established 1814 and converted to all-brass in 1834.

**Kippax Old Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Kippax Band*

**Kippax Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1889

**Kippax United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Kirby Wiske Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1855

**Kirk Ella Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Kirk Ella Subscription Brass Band*

**Kirk Ella Harmonic Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1880

**Kirk Ella Subscription Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1867, 1868. Conductor Mr Acey in 1867

**Kirk Hammerton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1863, conductor William Ripley. Conductor Mr Lumley in 1864. Still active in 1869

**Kirkaldy Trades Band**

Formed in 1873. Active in 1905

**Kirkburton Amalgamated Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in July 1853 - possibly a combination of the two temperance bands?

**Kirkburton and Netherthong Brass Band**

Active in 1873

## **Kirkburton Brass Band**

See: *Kirkburton Old Band*

## **Kirkburton Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1821. Active through to the 1900s

## **Kirkburton Temperance Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s. In 1860 conductor M. Rollinson and leader J. Charlesworth. In 1869, secretary James Mellor, treasurer G. Lockwood

## **Kirkburton Temperance Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1853. Instruments were ordered from Higham's in Manchester for delivery on 10th May. The members started up this second temperance band in Kirkburton because they complained of being unjustly treated by the trustees of the other temperance band from which they had been ejected.

## **Kirkburton Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1863. Active through to the 1950s. Secretary Charles Hargreaves in 1866

## **Kirkby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1853, conductor F. Fenny. (Kirkby, near Stokesley)

## **Kirkby Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

In 1927 the miners of Summit Colliery, Kirby-in-Ashfield, offered to pay a bond of one old penny per ten working men to help develop a band once more (following the demise of the earlier Kirby Silver Band. A deal was agreed with the colliery owners and the band was on its way again but this time as a 'colliery band'. During the 1930s the band began to contest in the 4th Section. A third place in the national finals ensured promotion to the 3rd Section. In 1940, however, the band closed down as a result of the Second World War. Many of the players, being colliery and railway men, had extra work due to the war effort and others were lost on active service. Instruments were put into storage for safe keeping. In 1944 the instruments were returned as the war came to an end. With the nationalization of the coal industry came the formation of the 'Coal Industry Social and Welfare Organisation' (CISWO) which promoted contests for mining bands and helped spread the news that the brass band movement was a worthy institution. Luckily, the Summit miners realized what potential they had close to home and in 1949 they were presented with their own band room. In 1963 the band folded. A successor band was formed in 1970 following the closure of the Summit Colliery itself in 1969. See also Kirkby Silver Band

## **Kirkby Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1970 - Note: Earlier bands in Kirkby-in-Ashfield existed from 1897-1924 and 1927-1962

## **Kirkby Cross and Great Holland Brass Band**

See: *Great Holland Brass Band*

## **Kirkby Lonsdale Brass Band (1)** - Westmorland

Active in 1821, folded prior to 1859. A successor band was formed in 1859 (the current Kirkby Lonsdale Band)

## **Kirkby Lonsdale Brass Band (2)** - Westmorland

[current band] - Founded in 1859

## **Kirkby Malzeard Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Kirkby Old Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1920s to the 1950s. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor Angus Holden (drawn 11 of 11 bands, they were placed first)

**Kirkby Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire

In 1887 the Butterley Brick Company purchased land in Kirkby and the main pit shaft of the 'Summit Colliery' was sunk. The mine survived for 82 years, finally closing in 1969. In 1897 a band known as the Kirkby Silver Band was formed and its members consisted mainly of surface workers and office staff from the mine. Those who worked underground were given 'free time' for rehearsals and band engagements. Rehearsals were held at the local Tabernacle Church on Lowmoor Road. The band broke up in 1924 and very little memorabilia exists from that time.

**Kirkby Stephen Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active from the late 1830s to the 1900s. Conductor Joseph Sayer in 1858.

**Kirkby Stephen Silver Band** - Westmorland

[current band] - Founded in 1857

**Kirkby Stephen Star Benefit Building Society's Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1868

**Kirkby Stephen Temperance Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1857

**Kirkby Stephen United Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1864

**Kirkby Thore Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1840s and 1850s. Conductor Mr Cockburn in 1853. Also known as Kirkby Thore Foresters' Brass Band

**Kirkby Thore Foresters' Brass Band**

See: *Kirkby Thore Brass Band*

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Band**

See: *Kirkby Silver Band*

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1.

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Town Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s

**Kirkbymoorside Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1887 by E. Dawson as a brass and reed band, converted to all-brass sometime afterwards.

**Kirkbymoorside Town Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1815 - Note: Brass band in 1856. Conductor Mr Chambers in 1869

**Kirkcaldy and District Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1870s

**Kirkcaldy Band**

Active in 1894

**Kirkcaldy Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Kirkcaldy Caledonia Band** - Fife

Active in the late 1940s



### **Kirkcaldy Caledonia Band**

Active in 1949

### **Kirkcaldy Trades Band - Fife**

Active from the early 1880s to WW1. In 1885 they were placed third in the first recorded Brass Band Contest in Scotland, which took place at Wemyss Castle Estate near Kirkcaldy, Fife in July 1885. A first prize of £40 and a travel grant of £10 was enough to lure the champion band of England, Besses O' Th' Barn from Lancashire to compete. Besses Band won the contest and also won the subsidiary event, a March Contest, for which they received another £2. Alloa Burgh Band were placed second and the Kirkcaldy Trades Band third.

### **Kirkcudbright Brass Band - Kirkcudbrightshire**

Active in the 1930s

### **Kirkdale Industrial Ragged School Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active from 1866 to the early 1900s. The school was established in 1843 and by 1866 it accommodated 1,250 children. In addition to the band, a ship was erected on the grounds and a former sailor provided training.

### **Kirkdale Public Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1900s to 1940s

### **Kirkella Subscription Band**

See: *Kirk Ella Subscription Band*

### **Kirkham Harmonic Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1839

### **Kirkham Subscription Prize Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active from the 1890s to the 1940s. From the obituary of Joseph Kirby, who died in March 1910: "It is with the most profound regret and sorrow we record the death of Mr. Joseph Kirby of Freckleton St., Kirkham, which sad event took place at the Moss Side Fever Hospital. Ever since it became known of the dangerous character of the disease with which he was afflicted, there were numerous anxious inquiries day by day, by a host of friends in the town and surrounding districts. When the sad news was announced on Saturday, it cast quite a gloom over the whole community, and where ever there were two or three gathered together, it became the sole topic of conversation. .... The deceased had for several years, been one of the most prominent members of the Kirkham Subscription Prize Brass Band, and was one of the best trombone players in the country, having won prizes at Blackpool, Wigan and elsewhere. The interment took place in the churchyard of the Kirkham Parish Church, the remains being borne to their last resting place by members of the band. The bells at the Parish Church were muffled. It was at the express wish of Mr. Kirby that the band did not play at the funeral, but it is stated they will render sacred selections at the graveside on Sunday afternoon. "

### **Kirkheaton Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active from the 1870s to the 1880s

### **Kirkheaton Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s

### **Kirkhouse Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s

### **Kirkhouse Foundry Band - Cumberland**

See: *Kirkhouse Brass Band*

**Kirkintilloch Band** - Dunbartonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Kirkintilloch Rechabite Band (to 1914), Kirkintilloch Public Band (to 1930), Kirkintilloch Silver Band - Note: Kirkintilloch Silver Band has its origins in the Rechabite Band, which was founded c 1896 by the Rechabites, a radical wing of the Temperance movement. The Silver Band was taken over by the Town Council in 1914, and renamed the Kirkintilloch Public Band. In 1930 the band set up on their own as the Kirkintilloch Silver Band.

**Kirkintilloch Kelvin Band** - Dunbartonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1994

**Kirkintilloch Public Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kirkintilloch Band*

**Kirkintilloch Rechabite Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kirkintilloch Band*

**Kirkintilloch Silver Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kirkintilloch Band*

**Kirkless (NCB) Band** - Wigan, Lancashire

See: *Standish Band*

**Kirkless (NCB) Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Standish Band*

**Kirkmuirhill Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863

**Kirkoswald Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1853 and 1859

**Kirkstall Amateur Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Kirkstall Brass Band*

**Kirkstall and Burley United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Kirkstall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853, 1866 and 1905. Conductor Harry Jackson in 1865. Secretary J.D. Turner in 1887

**Kirkstall Forge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1887

**Kirkstall Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Kirkstall Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1870

**Kirkstall Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Kirkstall Tannery Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Joppa Band*

**Kirkwall Brass Band** - Orkney

Active in 1864 to 1868

**Kirkwall Town Band** - Orkney

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Kirkwall Town Band** - Orkney

There are references to the Kirkwall Town Band in The Orcadian archive as long back as 1890 when the conductor was a Mr Robert (Bob) Spence who was a popular local figure

and proprietor of the Kirkwall store "Cumming and Spence.". The minutes of the Kirkwall Town band's meetings for the years 1929 - 1954 are in the Orkney Archive. From research there it is clear that the band at that time had the instrumentation of a traditional brass band but with the addition of clarinets. The band stopped during the years of the Second World War and the instruments given over to the Kirkwall Branch of the Salvation Army. There were moves to reform the band in 1945 and by January of 1947 the band began again. There is a letter in the archive from Capt. Chas. A. Geleit of the Salvation Army Headquarters in London thanking the band for the use of their instruments during the war years, which allowed visiting servicemen to come and blow. There are records of concerts as late as 1957 but sometime after that date the band stopped. The band's minutes, 1945-1951, and a file relating to the Band, 1927-1954, are held in the Orkney Archives. A successor band was established in 1973.

#### **Kirriemuir Brass Band - Angus**

See: *Kirriemuir Instrumental Brass Band*

#### **Kirriemuir Instrumental Brass Band - Angus**

Active in 1853, 1860. Conductor George Barrie in 1861

#### **Kirriemuir Town Band - Angus**

It should be placed on record that there was once a Brass Band in Kirriemuir although little remains of its history. In the 1890s Kirriemuir had plenty musical activity in which the Volunteer Band "alternating between Brass and Flute as the spirit moved" played an important part. The Bandmaster was James Lamb, the oldest of three brothers "all noted bandmasters", the other brothers being associated with Forfar and Brechin bands. "Circumstances arose in 1903 which led to the Volunteer Band being dispensed with" according to published documents available to the writer. It was, however, replaced by the Town Band consisting of a "full compliment" of twenty-four players, funds being raised by public subscription. The Band was successful at the time having played in the streets and public parks during the season and eventually being granted permission to give Sunday concerts. It was "reconstructed" in 1928, whatever that means, and managed to stay active until 1934. After two years during which efforts were made to get the Band going again some action was needed. The Kirriemuir Free Press of 4th June 1936 records that a meeting was to be called by Provost Doig with the object of winding up the band and placing its assets in trust. On July 2nd the same newspaper announced that the Kirriemuir Town Band had been formally wound up. One player, Alan Reid, (the writer's first teacher when he joined Forfar Instrumental Band) came to Forfar at once. The following year he is credited with organising a concert in Kirriemuir in which Forfar played a major part. Since then players from Kirriemuir have found a home in Forfar and the Forfar band has played a part in the musical life of Kirriemuir. Way back in the 1960s the Kirriemuir instruments, mostly in a rather sorry state, were "lent" to Forfar, who paid for the repair of those that were useable as reserve or learner's instruments. As recently as 1999 the remaining assets of the Kirriemuir Town Band were ceded to Forfar Instrumental Band. Forfar continues to welcome players from Kirriemuir and plays there several times a year.

#### **Kirton Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1870

**Kirton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1852, and then from the early 1880s to the early 1950s. Conductor C. Marris in 1883, A. Brocklebank in 1883, Henry Woodward in 1895, E.B. Morris in 1911, A.H. Patchett in 1949

**Kislingbury Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1865 to 1867

**Kiveton Park Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Kiveton Park Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor J. Bewering in 1886

**KM Gillingham Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Medway Band*

**KM Medway Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Medway Band*

**Knaphill United Brass Band** - Surrey

[no information]

**Knapp's Silver Band** - Clanfield,

The band was formed of workers at the Knapp's Foundry Works. Active in 1910

**Knaresborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Knaresborough Silver Band*

**Knaresborough Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1842 - Former names: Knaresborough Brass Band

**Knarsdale Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1865

**Knighton Brass Band (1)** - Radnorshire

Formed in 1849 with 15 members, by Mr Love and Mr Archibald, with instruments by Potter.

**Knighton Brass Band (2)** - Radnorshire

Active from the early 1900s and folded before WW2. A successor band was formed in 1945

**Knighton Town Brass Band** - Radnorshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Knighton Town Silver Band*

**Knighton Town Silver Band** - Radnorshire

[current band] - Founded in 1945 - Former names: Knighton Town Brass Band (to 1949)

**Knightswood Brass Band** - Dunbartonshire

Active from the 1880s to WW2.

**Knightswood Silver Band**

See: *Knightswood Brass Band*

**Knipton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. W. Payne secretary in 1896

**Knockholt Brass Band** - Kent

Active from the early 1900s. Conductor A.E. Newton in 1904, T. White in 1923, P. Bond in 1934, F.A. Bond in 1935

**Knottingley (Bagleys) Glass Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s. Also known as Bagley's (Bottle Works) Brass Band

- Knottingley Concert Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: Knottingley Schools Band, Knottingley Youth Brass (1981-1994)
- Knottingley Glass Bottle Company Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Knottingley (Bagleys) Glass Works Band*
- Knottingley Mission Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s
- Knottingley Schools Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Knottingley Concert Brass Band*
- Knottingley Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1864 - Former names: Knottingley Town Band
- Knottingley Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Knottingley Silver Band*
- Knottingley Youth Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Knottingley Concert Brass Band*
- Knowle Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1902
- Knowle Brass Band** - Solihull, Warwickshire  
Formed in 1904.
- Knowle Green Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in 1856
- Knowle Green Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
Originally formed by young men working at White Carr Mill in 1872. The Band used the schoolroom for practices from 1889 and in 1891 requested a reduction in the rent, which was 1/- per week. The Church meeting decided that if the band became a temperance band they could use the room free, if not they would have to continue to pay 30/- a year. The decision was not recorded but years later in reports of school treats and annual field days the Preston Guardian was still referring to Knowle Green Brass Band so presumably it did not change. In 1902 the Preston Guardian reported it as playing at a Knowle Green social which raised £10 towards the cost of a piano. In June 1911 they played in Longridge for the Coronation celebrations (George V and Queen Mary). After 1913 there seems to be no further mention of the band - presumed to have folded before or during WW1.
- Knutsford and Alderley Band**  
See: *Knutsford and Cross Town Band*
- Knutsford and Cross Town Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1910s to 1970s. Renamed Knutsford and Alderley Band in the late 1950s.
- Knutsford Temperance Band**  
Active from the 1890s to WW1. In 1896 it competed at a contest at Hawarden.
- Knutton Forge Brass Band** - Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire  
Active from the 1870s to the 1880s. In 1886 it competed at Eastham, Liverpool, conducted by Joseph Lewis. Renamed the Newcastle Town Band in the late 1880s, still conducted by Joseph Lewis. The band was formally adopted by the town of Newcastle in 1900. It was still active in 1903
- Knuzden Brook Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1857

**Knypersley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1856 to the 1870s

**Krumlin Mills Band**

See: *Blackburn Valley Brass Band*

**L Division Police Brass Band** - Lambeth, Surrey

Active in 1861. See also B, D, E, G, H, K, N, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**L. and N.W. Steam Shed Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**L. and S.W. Locomotive Works Band**

See: *London and South Western Railway Band*

**L. and Y.R. Alexandra Band**

See: *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Alexandra Band*

**L.A.V. (Chorley) Band, 3rd**

See: *3rd L.A.V. (Chorley) Band*

**L.C.C. Tramways Band** - London

Active in 1910

**L.C.S. Waltham Forest Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *East London Brass*

**L.M. and S. Ambulance Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s

**L.M.S. Alexandra Band**

See: *Alexandra L.M.S. Brass Band*

**L.M.S. Brass Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

Active in 1930s - 1950s

**L.M.S. Manchester Band**

Active in 1895

**L.M.S. Railway Band** - Southport, Lancashire

See: *Southport L.M.S. Railway Band*

**L.M.S. Works Silver Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Formed in November 1936

**L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band**

Active in the 1930s and 1940s. Pre-war the Geff Benson was musical director of the band, which was based in Cornwall Street, Openshaw. Also possibly known as LNER (Manchester District) Silver Prize Band - under which name they were a prizewinner at the Leicester contest on 5th March 1938, and also winning a deportment prize at a contest in Salford in May 1930. (See also, possibly, Gorton and Openshaw Prize Silver Band). Renamed (for a time) British Railways (Eastern Region) Band in 1948 when the region was created. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by J. Hall

**L.N.E.R. (Manchester District) Silver Prize Band**

See: *L.N.E.R. (Gorton) Works Band*

**L.N.E.R. Works Silver Band** - Shildon, Durham

See: *Shildon British Railways Band*

**L.N.W.R. Manchester Brass Band**

Active in the 1900s to WW1.

**La Societe de L'Avenir** - Isle of Jersey

[previous name of current band] See: *Band of the Island of Jersey*

**Laceby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1897

**Laceby Rechabite Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1841

**Lads of Kent Brass Band** - Kent

A touring band of boys, organised into three companies (A, B and C). Active in the 1900s and 1910s. In 1912, while visiting York, the NSPPC prosecuted the owners who were found guilty of cruelty.

**Lady Boswell's Brass Band** - Auchinleck, Lanarkshire

Active in 1863. In 1879, it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Free Gardeners lodge.

**Lady Dartmouth's Brass Band** - Farnley Tyas, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in September 1858, conductor Thomas Haigh, and supported by the Earl of Dartmouth. Still active in 1868

**Lady Lane Mission Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1893 and the 1900s

**Lady Manners School Brass Band** - Bakewell, Derbyshire

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Lady Windsor Colliery Band** - Ynysybwl, Glamorgan

Active from the 1930s. Presumed to have folded sometime in the 2000s.

**Laindon Brass Band** - Essex

Formed in 1903

**Laing's Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham

Active in the late 1860s into the 1870s. Conductor W.D. Eastern in 1869. The works band of James Laing Shipbuilders on the Wear.

**Laira Youth Brass Band** - Plymouth, Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1972

**Lakenheath Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1862 through to WW1. The original band of Lakenheath was called the band of Hope and was run by the Methodist church - hence a Temperance Band. The survivors of WW1 took over the assets and debts of the band and renamed it Lakenheath Brass Band. Fourteen instruments were bought at this time costing £235. In 1935 silver instruments were purchased and the name was changed to The Lakenheath Silver Band. This lasted until 1960. Mr Coleman was bandmaster at one time. He had 14 brothers and 4 sisters some of whom also played in the band. George Elsegood was another conductor of the Lakenheath Band. George was a brass band legend in the area. A successor band was formed in the 1970s.

**Lakenheath Silver Band** - Suffolk

[current band]

**Laleham Village Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1910s

**Lambden Family Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1910s. The father was Tom Lambden, with wife, five daughters and two sons, playing a variety of brass instruments

**Lamberhead Green Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1881

**Lamberhurst Brass Band - Kent**

Formed in 1870. Walter Bayley was bandmaster for many years. The band folded around 1934.

**Lambert Brothers Tube Works Brass Band - Walsall, Staffordshire**

Active in 1864 to 1866

**Lambeth Borough Band - Surrey**

Founded in 1908, conductor Ernest Roch. Some its founding members came from the recently defunct Crossway Mission Band. Active through into the 1930s

**Lambeth British Legion Band - Surrey**

Active in 1935

**Lambeth Division Police Brass Band - Surrey**

See: *L Division Police Brass Band*

**Lambeth Industrial School Brass Band - Surrey**

Active in 1861

**Lambeth Mission Band - Surrey**

Active in the 1900s, based at the Mission in Collingwood Street

**Lambeth Potteries Brass Band - Surrey**

See: *Messrs Doulton and Co. Brass Band*

**Lambhill Mission Brass Band - Glasgow, Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1910s

**Lambley Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Lambley Robin Hood Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1875

**Lambourn Brass Band - Berkshire**

Active in the 1860s to 1900s. Conductor in 1864 was Mr Barrett, and in 1908, C. Maberley.

**Lambton Brass Band - Durham**

See: *Lambton Saxhorn Band*

**Lambton Saxhorn Band - Durham**

Active in 1860, conductor in 1864 was A. Clinton. Probably linked to Lord Durham's engineering works at Philadelphia, which made locomotives and stationary engines. Still active in the 1880s

**Lamington Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in 1857

**Lamonby Band - Cumberland**

Active in 1909

**Lamorbey and District Band - Kent**

See: *Lamorbey and Sidcup Brass Band*

**Lamorbey and Sidcup Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1910s

**Lamplugh Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s. Conductor T. Harrison in 1870

**Lanark Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Founded in 1901, conductor D. Thompson

**Lanark Division Youth Band - Lanarkshire**

See: *Lanarkshire Youth Brass Band*



**Lanark Rifle Volunteers Band, 1st** - Lanarkshire

See: *1st Lanark Rifle Volunteers Band*

**Lanark Town Band** - Lanarkshire

Probably formed shortly after WW1. Active in the 1920s to 1950s

**Lanarkshire Royal Engineers Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Lanarkshire Youth Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1980s to 2000s

**Lancashire and Yorkshire (Carriage Department) Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Alexandra Band** - Newton Heath, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor T. W. Locking in 1890. Frank Owen became conductor in 1902.

**Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Band** - Southport, Lancashire

See: *Southport Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Band*

**Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Loco Works Band** - Horwich, Lancashire

Active in 1905

**Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Miles Platting Brass Band**

See: *Miles Platting Brass Band*

**Lancashire Brass** - Lancashire

Active from the 1970s to the 1990s

**Lancashire Constabulary Band** - Hutton, Lancashire

Formed in 1964 and active through to the 1990s.

**Lancashire Evening Post Band** - Brindle, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Brindle Brass Band*

**Lancashire Fusiliers Association Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1975, but folded before 1997, when six drummers from the band formed the core of a new Fusiliers' Association [Lancashire] Band and Corps of Drums.

**Lancashire Home Guard Band, 48th**

See: *48th Lancashire Home Guard Band*

**Lancashire Life and Lake District Life Morecambe Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Morecambe Brass Band*

**Lancashire Operatives Brass Band** - London

Active in 1863

**Lancashire Polytechnic Band**

See: *Preston Polytechnic Band*

**Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Bacup) Band, 4th**

See: *Bacup Old Band*

**Lancashire Yeomanry Stockport Band**

See: *Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band*

**Lancaster Borough Band** - Lancashire

Formed before 1853. In that year the members of Lancaster Brass Band, led by Henry Brockbank, sought subscriptions from the "Nobility, Gentry and Inhabitants of Lancaster" to establish a first class band, with new instruments. The band was henceforth known as Lancaster Borough Band. Active in 1864. Played at Garstang in May 1885. In 1912 Robert Redhead was foreman and bandmaster, of 55 Willow Lane. The band continued until around 1938.

## **Lancaster Brass Band**

See: *Lancaster Borough Band*

## **Lancaster City Brass** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2007

## **Lancaster Harmonic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in July 1838

## **Lancaster Sheds Brass Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire

Active in 1863, probably based at the Lancaster Green Ayre depot

## **Lancaster Town Band** - Blaina, Monmouthshire

See: *Blaina Band*

## **Lancaster Volunteer Artillery Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

## **Lancastrian Building Society Tyldesley Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

## **Lanchester Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1978 - Former names: Lanchester Grorud Band (1982)

## **Lanchester Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1860, conductor Mr Moon, teacher J.W. Lawrence, when it was said to have been "in its infancy". A successor band was formed in 1978

## **Lanchester Grorud Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Lanchester Brass Band*

## **Lancing and Sompting Royal British Legion Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Lancing Brass*

## **Lancing Brass** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1966 - Former names: Lancing & Sompting Royal British Legion Band

## **Lancing Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

## **Land Girls' Brass Band** - London

See: *Women's Land Army Brass Band*

## **Landore Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1870s

## **Landore Workmen's Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s

## **Landrake Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 2010

## **Landrake Band** - Cornwall

To the West of Saltash, Landrake Band were busy from 1876. In 1907 they were led by Edgar Panter and in 1928 by Lewis Goard. It does appear that they were still active in 1939 as there is a report of them performing at a local sports day. During WW2 they got a band together in 1943 for a local carnival, then a few engagements in 1944 and by 1945 they do seem to be back in business under the direction of A Davey. Then they rapidly went through new titles (eg Landrake Band: Landrake Working Men's Band and Landrake Brass Band) and all in 1945!. Soon after this they disbanded. I can find no record of any Cornish contests attended. A sideline is that in 1952 their instruments were raided by a group of schoolboy "musicians" for a local event. One of these "players" commented that the only tune they knew was "Jingle Bells" so for the next two hours

they pretended to play and hummed, loudly, this one song over and over again. For this they won the "Tableaux Hunorous" prize, so I suppose that it could be argued that the band did win a competition at least once. Their practice room was in the old Liberal Club. Conductors named include Edgar Panter just before World War One and Lewis Goard in 1928. Around 1928 there were 13 players plus conductor. Named players at the time were C, E and S Barrett, J Broad, R May, W Scholar, W and C Thomas. After the Second World War the band was conducted by Alf Davey. Enos Barrett and Bill Smale may also have conducted them around this time. Engagements from this period included the Notter Bridge Gymkhana, the Landrake Gymkhana and the Landrake Carnival amongst others. They also appeared further afield as it is known that they were among the bands that played in Callington for their carnival during the time the Callington Band did not exist. In 1948 the players included John, Gerald and Bert Ede, Brian Brown, Clarence and Wesley Thomas, Bill Hawken, Bill Smale, Enos Barrett, Will Rawlings, Arthur Chiswell and William Scholar. Other players have been named as Ern Sparks, Ken Eastment, and Ern Bunney. The Landrake Band folded some time around the 1950's, either about 1950 or possibly as late as 1956. It seems the last conductor moved up country and that caused the band to fold. It has also been said that their rehearsal room was lost to them.

**Landscope Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Lane Bridge Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

**Lane End Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1863 to the 1890s

**Lane End Orpheus Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

**Laneshaw Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Laneshawbridge Band**

See: *Laneshaw Bridge Brass Band*

**Langbaugh Brass** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *North Skelton Band*

**Langcliffe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

At the turn of the century Langcliffe, Giggleswick and Settle had brass bands, here it was a group of men largely from the Chapel community. Bob West played the cornet, his brother Fred the euphonium and Alf Farrer came down from Stainforth when they were short of players, likewise Tom Marsden, were members. Jimmie Fox beat the drum, which when not in use was hung up on a nail in the school. The rest of the instruments were kept in the loft above the stables at the Hall (along with the bier). The Band always played round the Big Tree on Christmas morning, went home for dinner and then out again to go round the big houses, so Langcliffe families did not see much of their menfolk on Christmas Day. In the end enthusiasm waned and some men left to join Giggleswick band although Alf Hocking tried to keep Langcliffe going by recruiting youngsters. Dick Middleton was one of these but on the second time he turned up it was announced that the band was 'disbanded'. This would be about 1938 as they played for the Jubilee and Coronation celebrations.

**Langdale Band** - Westmorland

Active from before 1900 until around 1960. It folded for a few years from 1902 to after 1906. It probably ceased for some years during WW2, but it was revived around the time of the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth.

**Langford and Filkins Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1920s to 1930s

**Langford Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s

**Langford Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Steeple Langford Brass Band*

**Langham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1880s

**Langham Labour League Band** - Essex

Active in 1871 and 1876

**Langholm Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Founded in 1856. Active through to 1900. Conductor William Calvert in 1875

**Langholm Temperance Band** - Dumfriesshire

Disbanded around 1927. The instruments were sold to the Annan Town Band for £105

**Langholm Town Band** - Dumfriesshire

[current band] - Founded in 1815 - Note: Began contesting in 1864 and had attended thirteen contests and won seven prizes worth £50 by 1888. One of its first engagements was to welcome the Scots Greys back from Waterloo.

**Langley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1856 to 1862

**Langley Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1860, possibly linked to the Langley Mills in the village.

**Langley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: Langley Prize Band

**Langley Mill Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1887

**Langley Moor Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1867

**Langley Park Band** - Durham

Known to be in existence in 1921 when they received their 1st full set of CISWO instruments. Folded in 2004.

**Langley Park Colliery Band**

See: *Langley Park Band*

**Langley Ploughmaker's Band** - Warwickshire

The works band of the W.J. Hillson, Swan Foundry iron works in Langley/Claverdon. Formed around the 1860s

**Langley Prize Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Langley Brass Band*

**Langport and Curry Rivel Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Curry Rivel Brass Band*

**Langport Town Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1890s to the 1940s

**Langsett Road Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1891

**Langtoft Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s. Conductor T. Johnson in 1859

**Langton Matravers** - Dorset

A band existed in the village in the second half of the Nineteenth Century. The instruments were bought by Mrs Frances Serrell, a rather eccentric but philanthropic widow who lived in Durnford Manor House, situated in the very centre of the village. In the village museum there is a photo of her Band-Master in his uniform and the names of several known Members. They also possess the Band-Master's silver Cornet, which was a gift from Mrs Serrell, an E flat Clarinet and two brass instruments used in the band, though they are now in a rather sorry state. They are of the Tenor Horn/Tuba variety. The Band folded when Mrs Serrell died in 1889

**Langtree Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1868, 1869

**Langwathby Band** - Cumberland

[no information]

**Langwith Brass Band**

See: *Langwith Miners Welfare Band*

**Langwith Colliery Institute Silver Band**

See: *Langwith Miners Welfare Band*

**Langwith Miners Welfare Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1880s. Conductor T. Renshaw in 1903. Also known as Langwith Brass Band. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor A.S. Grant (drawn 1 of 11 bands, they were placed 3rd). Continued through to the early 1980s

**Lanner and District Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1965

**Lanner Silver Band** - Cornwall

Formed in the 1890s and disbanded in 1902. A successor band was formed in 1965

**Lansil Works Brass Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire

Active in the late 1940s. The Cellulose Acetate Silk Co. opened their works after WW2 in the, now redundant, National Projectile Factory, Caton Road, Lancaster, later changing its name to Lansil (Lancaster Silk) in 1937.

**Laporte Industries Band** - Widnes, Lancashire

Active in the 1980s. Still active in 1991. Disbanded in 1993? However it is reported that the Rothwell Temperance Junior Band had, by 1989, "acquired a two-year-old set of Yamaha instruments from the defunct Laporte Industries Band."

**Largo and District Band** - Fife

Formed after WW1 and active into the 1930s

**Largo Brass Band** - Fife

Active from the 1870s to WW1

**Largo Silver Band**

See: *Largo and District Band*

**Largs Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1861 to 1869

**Larkhall Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1860s to 1960s. Larkhall Public, Larkhall Raploch, Larkhall Silver were all active in this period, and it is not clear which was which, but they all seemed to share the same conductors and were probably the same band.

**Larkhall Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Larkhall Brass Band*

**Larkhall Junior Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1865

**Larkhall Public Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Larkhall Brass Band*

**Larkhall Raploch Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Larkhall Brass Band*

**Larkhall Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Larkhall Brass Band*

**Larne Town Silver Band**

Folded before 1962, when its instruments were obtained by the 1st Larne Old Boys' Association Silver Band

**Lascelles School Brass Band** - Harrow, Middlesex

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Lassodie Public Band** - Fife

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conducted by James Robinson in the 1890s, W.A. Allison in 1928

**Lasswade Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1890s

**Lastingham and Cropton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1888, active through the 1890s

**Lastingham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the late 1850s to the mid-1880s. A successor band was formed in 1888

**Latchford Prize Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Formed in 1860, or earlier as Latchford Brass Band. The earliest known performance of the band was on the 10th of July 1860, when the band led the procession to the then new Latchford Baptist church in Ackers Lane, prior to the construction of the Manchester Ship Canal. Later also known as Latchford Subscription Band. Merged with Warrington Silver Band to form Latchford Warrington Silver Band in 1980.

**Latchford Subscription Band**

See: *Latchford Prize Band*

**Latchford Warrington Silver Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Note: Merger of Warrington Silver Band and Latchford Prize Band

**Late Yeomanry Band**

See: *Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band*

**Lathom and Burscough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1949

**Lauder Brass Band** - Berwickshire

**Launceston Good Templars Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1900s

**Launceston Grammar School Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Clifford

**Launceston Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band]

**Launton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1861 to 1865

**Laurencekirk Brass Band** - Kincardineshire

Founded in 1894, the players receiving the instruments in March that year. There were 13 members by October 1894, conducted by William D. Hampton. Conductor in 1903 was E. Dishington. The band was re-organised in 1906 and continued through to WW1.

**Laurieston Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Laurieston Zetland Brass Band*

**Laurieston Instrumental Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Laurieston Zetland Brass Band*

**Laurieston Westquarter Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Laurieston Zetland Brass Band*

**Laurieston Zetland Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from 1853 to the 1930s. Also known as Laurieston Westquarter Band. Conductor Mr Drummond in 1894

**Lavender Hill Gospel Temperance Band** - Clapham, Surrey

Founded in 1891, conductor T.E. Embury. Competed in the 1901 contest at the Crystal Palace on July 10th. H. T. Embury was one of the players. Competed in the 4th Section National Finals in 1902.

**Lavender Hill Temperance Band**

See: *Lavender Hill Gospel Temperance Band*

**Lavenham Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in 1866, conductor Mr Ambler. Still active in 1896

**Laverton Temperance Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1909, when it gave a concert at Laverton Village Hall, conducted by Mr Round, for the Farm and Garden Produce show.

**Lavington Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Market Lavington Brass Band*

**Lavister and Rossett Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1900s - possibly a combination of the Lavister Brass Band and Rossett Brass Band which were active in the 1890s

**Lavister Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Founded in 1881. Conductor James Ridgway in 1887. Still active in the 1890s

**Lawrence Street Chapel School Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1867 to 1869

**Laxey Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in the 1890s, conductor Thomas William Kinrade.

**Laxey United Temperance Band** - Isle of Man

Formed in 1892, conductor David Senogles. contemporary with the Laxey Brass Band.

**Layer de la Haye Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

- Laver de la Haye Methodist Church Band** - Essex  
Active in the early 1900s
- Layertorpe Mission Band** - York, Yorkshire  
Active between 1891 and 1897
- Lazey United Temperance Brass Band** - Isle of Man  
Active in 1894 - conductor D. Senogles
- Lazonby Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1860 to 1866
- Lazonby Temperance Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s/1900s
- Lea and Salwick Brass Band** - Lea Town, Lancashire  
Active in 1902
- Lea Mills Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active from 1863 through to WW1. Patron was the John Smedley Mills at Lea Bridge, near Cromford.
- Leadbeater and Scott's Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1891
- Leadgate Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1860s to 1870
- Leadgate Colliery Band**  
See: *Leadgate Workmen's Band*
- Leadgate Mission Brass Band** - Durham  
A Wesleyan Mission band, Active in the 1870s, 1891, and also from 1903 to 1934
- Leadgate Saxhorn Band** - Durham  
Active in 1886 when it led a procession during the strike at the South Medomsley Colliery, still active in 1891
- Leadgate Wesleyan Mission Brass Band**  
See: *Leadgate Mission Brass Band*
- Leadgate Workmen's Band** - Durham  
Formed in the 1900s and still active in 1931
- Leadhills Silver Band** - Lanarkshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2010
- Leadhills Silver Band**  
Active in the early 1900s. Appears to have folded and reformed a couple of times over the past century, A successor band was formed in 2010.
- League of the Cross Band** - Cleator Moor, Cumberland  
See: *Cleator Moor St Mary's Brass Band*
- League of the Cross Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire  
Active in 1888, conducted by W. Pullen
- League of the Cross Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire  
See: *Warrington League of the Cross Brass Band*
- Leake Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1865 to 1867
- Lealholm Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire, North Riding  
Active in 1857
- Lealholm Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Glaisdale and Lealholm Brass Band*



**Lealholm Bridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Glaisdale and Lealholm Brass Band*

**Leamington Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1840, 1863

**Leamington Mechanics Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1887 to the 1900s. Still active in 1903

**Leamington Priors Town Band** - Warwickshire

Accounts of the band, from 1897-1900, are held at Warwickshire County Record Office

**Leamington Rechabite Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Formed in 1845. A report from 1845: "In the early part of last winter, some of the Brethren thinking a Band of Music in connection with this Tent would be an acquisition, devised plans for raising funds necessary for the purchase of instruments, uniforms, etc., and they determined to raise a Brass Band to consist of 21 performers, all of whom were to be members of the Rechabite Order, and, consequently, all sober men; the number was quickly made up, but, being working men, they were unable to spare sufficient money from their earnings for the object in view; they made a calculation of all the expenses attending it and found it amount to nearly £200. They solicited the assistance of their wealthy and benevolent townsmen, who promptly responded to the call, and many contributed liberally. About £23 was raised by subscriptions, paid by the members of the Band. The instruments, which were from the manufactory of Mr. James Gisborne, brass musical instrument maker to the army, Suffolk Street, Birmingham, arrived last Christmas; and the uniforms from Mr. J. C. Power, Regent-street, in this town. Mr. R. Edwards, now a Rechabite and Band Master, was engaged as tutor, under whose able instructions the members of the Band trust they shall be able to attain to such proficiency as will be quite satisfactory to those kind ladies and gentlemen who have given their assistance, and to themselves for the time and attention they have devoted to the study. The Band will be happy, on all loyal occasions, if requested so to give their services to the town."

**Leamington Royal Spa Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in the early 1890s. Secretary S.A. Farley in 1901. Conductor A. Titcomb, secretary W.V. Rouse in 1903, Tom Proctor in 1909. Conductor A.E. Fox in 1908. Active through to WW1. Also known as Royal Spa Brass Band

**Leamington Temperance Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1866 to 1869

**Leasingthorne Brass Band**

See: *Leasingthorne Colliery Prize Band*

**Leasingthorne Colliery Prize Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1900s and active through to the 1950s. It was disbanded when the workers were transferred to the Dean and Chapter Colliery at Ferryhill.

**Leatherhead and Bookham Brass Band**

See: *Leatherhead Town Brass Band (1)*

**Leatherhead Town Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Mole Valley Silver Band*

**Leatherhead Town Brass Band (1)** - Surrey

Active in the 1890s. Merged with Great Bookham Brass Band in 1911 to form Bookham United Silver Band, which subsequently folded in 1916

**Leatherhead Town Brass Band (2) - Surrey**

Active from the 1920s to the 1950s

**Leavesden Industrial School Band - Hertfordshire**

In 1868, the St Pancras Guardians built a new industrial school for pauper children in the parish. They acquired a 38-acre site in a rural location at Leavesden. By 1896 it held over 600 children. The band was active from 1879 to the 1920s, conducted by W. Woodland in 1900.

**Lechlade Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Lechlade Town Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in 1910

**Ledbury Brass Band - Herefordshire**

Active from 1852 to the 1890s

**Lee Brass Band - Lee Common, Buckinghamshire**

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Henry Jacobs

**Lee Brig Altofts and Normanton Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Altofts and Normanton Brass Band*

**Lee Moor and Stanley Silver Prize Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in 1896. Active to the 1920s

**Lee Mount Band - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in 1888. Active to the 1940s. In 1905 rehearsed at Old Lane, Halifax.

**Lee Mount Prize Band**

See: *Lee Mount Band*

**Lee Mount Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Lee Mount Band*

**Leebotwood Brass Band - Shropshire**

Active in the 1850s and the 1930s. Conductor Mr Dodd in 1856

**Leeds (Smiths) Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1850s

**Leeds Alliance Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1866, conductor Mr Drake. Still active in 1872

**Leeds Amateur Brass Band - Kent**

Founded in 1869, conductor Mr Curtis

**Leeds and Lenham Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1866

**Leeds Artillery Volunteers Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1860s to the 1880s

**Leeds Borough Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1870s

**Leeds British Legion Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1920s

**Leeds Central Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1899

**Leeds City Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the late 1890s, when it was conducted by Squire Firth. A report from 1898 states: "Squire Firth was born at the well-known musical place of Queensbury, near Bradford on June 12th, 1865. His father, Mr. Greenwood Firth (b. 1832), is one of the

oldest bandsmen at the present day, and played Trombone with the famous Black Dyke Band for 23 years, and is playing at the present time. Whilst very young our subject was put to learn music under the talented Cornet Soloist and teacher, the late G. F. Birkinshaw, and at the age of 15 started playing Solo Cornet with the Great Horton Brass band. He made very rapid progress as a Cornet player, and began solo Cornet contesting, winning several money prizes, and also a Besson Cornet at Thurlstone, near Penistone, against most of the noted Cornet players. He was engaged to play Solo Cornet with the Earby Brass Band, for which he played two years, after which he had an engagement with the Lindley Brass Band. He followed his position as Solo Cornet player for twelve months, and afterwards, was re-engaged as solo cornet player and bandmaster for two years. He next took charge of Skipton Brass Band as bandmaster, and it was during his stay with the band that Mr. Firth began to make a name for himself, taking the band in 1895 to the Champion Contest at the Agricultural Hall, London, and scoring fifth prize. In 1896 they attended Nelson and Carlisle contests, and secured third and fourth prizes respectively, and also numerous other prizes. Towards the end of 1896 the Leeds City Brass Band, from amongst 13 applicants, engaged Mr. Firth, and the marvellous success that has been attained by this band under Mr. Firth's direction speaks splendidly for his abilities as a teacher. Mr. Firth is also very clever with the pen and scores all his selections. He has several more bands under his care, and will, without doubt, bring them to the front, if they will only be guided by him. Mr. Firth, being formerly in the hotel business (he was landlord of the Wheatsheaf Inn in Skipton), has now given it up, owing to the demands made upon his services for teaching, and also his solo cornet work. His eldest son, Edwin Firth, was solo cornetist with Foden's Band, and killed in France in WW I while serving with the London Artists' Rifles."

**Leeds City Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in late 1950s and early 1960s. Probably a continuation of the Leeds City Royal Artillery Association Band.

**Leeds City Brass Band (3) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Leeds City Commercial Club Band*

**Leeds City Commercial Club Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in late 1960s and early 1970s. Probably a continuation of the Leeds City Band. Some memories from Bob Thomas: "The band was sponsored by Jim Windsor who had made big money as a "bookie". The band rehearsed in the large booking office on the first floor of an Edwardian building in Vicar Lane next to the Markets. On one side of the room were the counters like a Post Office where the punters placed their bets. On the other wall was a long blackboard with a platform underneath where an employee would chalk up the day's runners and riders. The music stands were kept in a beer crate (what else?) under this platform and it took two blokes to lift it. Only men in the band. Three Micklethwaites. David the top cornet, his dad Les on Eb bass and Ron on 2nd horn. The Button and Higham families were also well represented. The band remained fairly stable with Lawrence Myers on euph and David Petty on soprano. Alf Schofield was bumper up. He had a lip like a "causer edge" ! (kerb stone). He could keep going all day. A very dependable player. One of the Bb bass players was a Geordie called Stanford. He was really deaf but he knew how to play the bass! I never knew if he could feel the vibrations but he was spot on. The band was led by Fred Argyle one of the dynasty of excellent musicians from the Stourton /Rothwell area. I very rarely saw Fred lose patience and he was rewarded with a loyal and hard working third section band. One strange

arrangement I remember was the operation of the music library. This was a small room at the top of the building. Each practise night the librarian called Bob would arrive on the bus and climb the stairs . He never came into the band room. He would spend the time sorting and mending until it was "home time" then get the bus home. Occasionally Fred would send one of the young 'uns like me to get a piece of music . It was the only time Bob saw a player. These Yorkshiremen! The band was well run, had good instruments and uniforms and had plenty of decent jobs. The members came from all parts of Leeds - mostly by bus. They were all working men. Printers, engineers, clothing workers and the like. It was a good grounding for me both musically and socially. The Commercial Club was at the top of the building. It was like an ordinary working mens club with snooker tables, a concert room and caricatures of long forgotten sportsmen on the walls. It always had a pleasant smell of beer and cooking. I would have quick pint with the blokes in the club (underage of course) before getting the half ten bus home. Jim Windsor was a good sponsor and did not forget his working class roots. There was always an end of year band dinner in the club. All this has gone now of course and the remnants of the band were subsumed into the Horsforth band. This happened long after I had left Leeds for college. Those hours spent during evenings and Sunday mornings paid dividends for me in later years.". The band amalgamated with Horsforth Brass Band to form Horsforth Leeds City Band in the 1980s

**Leeds City Royal Artillery Association Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed 1949

**Leeds City Tramway Employees Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Tramways Band*

**Leeds Clarion Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1899, secretary Alfred V. Popplestone. Still active in 1907

**Leeds Company of Medical Staff Corps Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Amalgamated with the Leeds Excelsior Temperance Band in 1904

**Leeds Corporation Employees Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Leeds Engineers' Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1882.

**Leeds Excelsior Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1903, conductor R.S. Kitchen. Amalgamated with the Leeds Company of Medical Staff Corps Band in 1904

**Leeds Forge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Instituted 1882 by the head of the Leeds Forge Company, Samuel Fox one-time Mayor of Harrogate. Members were originally all workmen in the Leeds Forge Company's Works. The practices took place in the Forge every Sunday from 10.30 to 12.30, with several others held during the week. The players were equipped with two sets of instruments, two sets of uniforms and full rehearsal accommodations. Fox was very ambitious and offered gold medals and further funding if they could beat Besses o' th' Barn Band. They began contesting in 1886 and made a very successful start with high placings in the British Open. Following changes in management at the Forge the band was disbanded in 1892 with all instruments and equipment recalled.

**Leeds Holy Family Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1929

- Leeds Joppa Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor in 1856 was Charles Wilby. The band was attached to the Joppa Tannery, located on Kirkstall Road, which employed up to 400 people producing "upper leather" for shoes.
- Leeds Joppa Operatic Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Leeds Joppa Band*
- Leeds Kingston Unity Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Kingston Unity Brass Band*
- Leeds Milburn's Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s
- Leeds Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*
- Leeds Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Leeds Joppa Band*
- Leeds Parochial Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1870, conductor Mr Curtis
- Leeds Police Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1899
- Leeds Post Office Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Leeds Postmen's Band*
- Leeds Postmen's Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1889, disbanded in 1899
- Leeds Railway Foundry Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1851. Leader Mr Lambert in 1853. Active through to the 1860s. Based at Sir P. Fairbairn's foundry. Also known as Wellington Foundry Band.
- Leeds Reformatory School Band** - Adel, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
The school was opened at Adel East Moor in 1857. A swimming pool was built in 1887, and the boys activities included joinery, tailoring, shoemaking, farm work, calligraphy, building trades, cooking and blacksmithing. Many of the boys went on to join the Grimsby fishing fleet for which their swimming training was considered useful. The band was active from the 1880s to the 1900s. A report from 1888 states: "Before I visited the classes under instruction, I heard the well-trained band perform a selection from Masaniello. I have heard that particular excerpt performed by a goodly number of bands at one time and another, and I have heard it rendered by grown-up musicians in a manner which would give no cause for envy to the band-boys of the Reformatory at Adel." In 1896 there were 22 boys in the band.
- Leeds Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s
- Leeds Royal Park Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the late 1850s through to 1874. Conductor Mr Milward, leader Mr Hobson in 1862
- Leeds Royal Park Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1866
- Leeds Socialist Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1896
- Leeds St Mary's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1892 to the 1900s

- Leeds Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Flourished in the 1840 and 1850s and undertook a four-week season of concert in Scarborough in 1847 for £60. Repeated the season in 1848/9 also. Played at Boroughbridge in 1906
- Leeds Tramway Employees Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1901 (presumed to have folded prior to 1911 when the Leeds Tramways Band was formed)
- Leeds Tramways Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Founded in 1911
- Leeds Wellington Foundry Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*
- Leeds Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1863, 16 members
- Leek Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1880s
- Leek Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in 1860 to 1869. Conductor Mr Mee in 1869
- Leek British Legion Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1930s to 1950s
- Leek Harmonic Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Formed in 1867 and held Friday evening concerts in the market place during the summer. May have also been called Leek Promenade Band in 1873.
- Leek Old Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Leek Brass Band*
- Leek Promenade Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Leek Harmonic Brass Band*
- Leek Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1890s to WW1, W. Hough bandmaster and secretary. In 1912 Stephen Godwin was bandmaster and Henry Head secretary.
- Leek Town Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1890s
- Leek Volunteer Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1880s. They gave open air concerts to large audiences in Leek Market Place on Monday evenings in the summer, as well as leading local processions.
- Lees and Glodwick Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
 See: *Glodwick Band*
- Lees Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
 [current band] - Founded in 2011
- Lees Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1840, disbanded in 1908
- Lees Old Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
 See: *Lees Brass Band*
- Lees Street Congregational Brass Band** - Openshaw, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s
- Lees Temperance Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
 Active in 1856 to 1869

**Leeswood Brass Band (1) - Flintshire**

Active in 1859

**Leeswood Brass Band (2) - Flintshire**

Active in the 1940s

**Leicester Albion Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1895

**Leicester and Rutland Police Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Leicester Blind Institution Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1865. The Institute was located on the High Street.

**Leicester Borough Police Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1880s, conductor J.A. Smith in 1882, folded in 1906 when the council took exception to the band rehearsing during work hours.

**Leicester Borough Workmen's Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Leicester Excelsior Brass Band*

**Leicester Catholic Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1865, 1884

**Leicester City Police Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Leicester Borough Police Band*

**Leicester Club and Institute Band - Leicestershire**

See: *City of Leicester Band*

**Leicester Corporation Gas Department Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Leicester Corporation Gasworks Band*

**Leicester Corporation Gasworks Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1891 to the 1900s, conductor was C.V. Palmer in the 1890s, Mr Hewitt in 1900. From the Ayleston Road gasworks in the town.

**Leicester Cottage Homes Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Countesthorpe Cottage Homes Band*

**Leicester Excelsior Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Founded in 1897, conductor John Chapman. Renamed Leicester Borough Workmen's Band, then Borough of Leicester Club and Institute Silver Band in 1910, active through to WW1

**Leicester Factory Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1859

**Leicester Foresters Band - Leicestershire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foresters Brass 2000*

**Leicester Foresters Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Leicester Gasworks Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Leicester Corporation Gasworks Band*

**Leicester Highfield Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Founded around 1875. Wound up in the courts as of 10th February 1902. However it is recorded as competing in a contest at Rugby in March that year.

**Leicester Imperial Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the early 1900s and 1920s. Also known as Leicester Imperial Prize Brass Band. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor S. S. H. Iliffe (drawn 3 of 11 bands, they were placed 4th). Still active in 1964,

when conducted by A. Anderson. Secretary in 1908 was Lawrence Edgar Clarke. The Leicester Imperial Prize Brass Band Ltd. company was incorporated in 1901 and dissolved between 1916 and 1932.

**Leicester Imperial Prize Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Leicester Imperial Band*

**Leicester Ivanhoe Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1912. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor C. A. Anderson (drawn 5 of 11 bands, they were not placed)

**Leicester Midland Railway Workmen's Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1899 and the 1900s

**Leicester North End Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Leicester Oddfellows Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1862

**Leicester Railwaymen's Club Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1950s

**Leicester Rechabite Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1854

**Leicester Saxtuba Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active from 1862 to around 1879. Conductor W. Acton in 1868. A successor band was formed in 1884

**Leicester Saxtuba Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1884, conductor E.W. How. 20 members of the band in 1885 at a concert in Countesthorpe.

**Leicester Sea and Air Cadets Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1940s

**Leicester Special Constabulary Band** - Leicestershire

[no information]

**Leicester St Margaret's Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *St Margaret's Brass Band (Leicester)*

**Leicester Teetotal Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Leicester Temperance Brass Band*

**Leicester Temperance Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor. J.A. Smith in 1862

**Leicester Temperance Union Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1907, conductor Alex Castle

**Leicester Town Temperance Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s to WW1

**Leicestershire and Rutland Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in 1869

**Leicestershire Co-op Snibston Charnwood Brass** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1999 - Former names: Merger of Leicestershire Co-operative (South Midlands Welfare) Band and Charnwood Brass

**Leicestershire Co-operative (SMW) Band** - Snibston, Leicestershire

Formed in 1971 as a colliery band. Merged with Charnwood Brass in 1999 to form Leicester Co-op Snibston Charnwood Brass.



- Leicestershire Co-operative (South Midlands Welfare) Band** - Snibston, Leicestershire  
 See: *Leicestershire Co-operative (SMW) Band*
- Leicestershire Volunteers Band** - Leicestershire  
 Active in 1879 when it was directed by J Smith
- Leigh (Lanes) Band**  
 Active in 1930
- Leigh Bedford Band**  
 See: *Bedford (Leigh) Band*
- Leigh Borough Band**  
 See: *Lowton Silver Band*
- Leigh Brass Band** - Essex  
 See: *Leigh Town Band*
- Leigh British Legion Band**  
 See: *Leigh Silver Band*
- Leigh Public Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1890s
- Leigh Silver Band** - Lancashire  
 Formed in 1920, it disbanded in December 2001. Formerly known as Leigh British Legion Band. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by H. Foxwell).
- Leigh St Clement's Brass Band** - Leigh-on-Sea, Essex  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Leigh Street Brass Band** - Wigan, Lancashire  
 Active in the early 1900s
- Leigh Street Primitive Methodist Band** - Warrington, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1875, conductor John Podmore to 1895, Mr Little, 1901-1903, Fred Podmore, 1904. Still active in 1909
- Leigh Town Band** - Leigh-on-Sea, Essex  
 Active from the 1890s to the 1910s
- Leigh United Friends Society Brass Band** - Leigh-on-Sea, Essex  
 Active in 1864
- Leigh upon Mendip Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Active in 1887
- Leigh Village Brass Band** - Dorset  
 Active in 1937
- Leigh Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Leighton and Heath Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
 Active in 1882
- Leighton Brass Band** - Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire  
 See: *Leighton Buzzard Brass Band*
- Leighton Buzzard Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
 Active in 1862 to 1869. Leader Charles Mortimer in 1869
- Leighton Buzzard Good Templar Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
 Active in 1874, James J. Mead secretary, Edward Glaisyer treasurer
- Leighton Buzzard Temperance Band** - Bedfordshire  
 Active in the 1900s and 1940s

- Leighton Excelsior Brass Band** - Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster W.A. Kempster in 1890
- Leighton Ironworks Band** - Uttoxeter, Staffordshire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1910s. The band was supported by Samuel Bamford, the owner of the Leighton Ironworks (which was established in 1871 in addition to the Bamford Ironmongery business founded in 1845). The band was later known as the Bamford Military Band
- Leighton Mission Brass Band** - Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire  
Active in 1980
- Leighton Road Mission Brass Band** - Kentish Town, Middlesex  
Converted to brass band in 1899
- Leighton Temperance Silver Band** - Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire  
Founded in 1948, as a offshoot of an earlier combination. Conductor J. Swann in 1950.
- Leintwardine Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1861, conductor Mr Turly. Still active in 1868
- Leintwardine Temperance Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1866, conductor R. Jones. Still active in 1869
- Leiston Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1852
- Leiston British Legion Band** - Suffolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Leiston Royal British Legion Band*
- Leiston Royal British Legion Band** - Suffolk  
[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Leiston Works Band, Leiston British Legion Band (1932-1971) - Note: Supported by Garretts Engineering Works, until the firm closed in 1932
- Leiston Works A. A. Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Leiston Works Band** - Suffolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Leiston Royal British Legion Band*
- Leiston Works Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1862 - associated with the Richard Garrett and Sons engineering works, which made steam tractors and cast and machined metal products.
- Leisure Hour Brass Band** - Harpurhey, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- Leith and Edinburgh Postal Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1900s
- Leith Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active from the 1850s, conductor Joseph Hogg in 1894, S. Campbell in 1900, A. Ewing in 1903, Mr Whitecross in 1904. Still active in 1906
- Leith Industrial School Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Leith Silver Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1950s and 1960s
- Leith Trades Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active in the 1900s

### **Lelant Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1905 under James Maddern. He stayed until 1911 when the leadership was handed over to John Tanner. EC Wills took over in 1914 and promptly left in 1915 to go to Redruth Band. The band closed down during WW1 but reorganised when that bit of unpleasantness was over. About 1931 F Gregory took over and stayed until 1942 when strange things began to happen. In 1942 they were reorganised under the new title Lelant United Services Band, still under F Gregory who, because of this second disagreement with Germany, was now in the National Fire Service (NFS). This lasted until 1943 when the Home Guard (Dad's Army) was formed and Lelant's instruments were loaned to the 14th Battalion Home Guard (St Ives) Band, now under the baton of Bandmaster Coombe. The Lelant Band - civilian - reappeared in 1945. Their contesting was confined to 1911 - 1914, their best result being achieved at a St Dennis contest in 1913 when they entered the second section playing "Village Bride" and winning £5 for their 2nd placing. After WW2, with the exception of victory parades, nothing more can be found. At one time the band kept their instruments in the Primitive Methodist Chapel "beneath the gallery that was then in place by the entrance". A. Gregory was secretary in 1908

### **Lelant Downs Brass Band** - Cornwall

In the St Ives/Hayle area, the Lelant Downs Brass Band sounds like one of these makeshift bands for a one-off gig. In 1888 they played for the Ludgvan Wesley Sunday School Festival and the press report leaves one in no doubt there could not have been any learners performing.

### **Lemington Glass Works Prize Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in the 1930s

### **Lench's Excelsior Works Band** - Blackheath, Staffordshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Based at Thomas William Lench's works in Blackheath, a firm making bolts and structural fasteners since 1880.

### **Lenham Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1859 to 1868

### **Lennox Mill Brass Band** - Lennoxton, Stirlingshire

Formed in 1850, disbanding in 1922. In its early years it rendered great assistance to the local printfield workers on strike by touring the country and raising funds. In the 1860s it associated itself with the local volunteer corps for a while.

### **Lennoxton Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1864. Conductor L. Wells in 1865. Still active in 1869

### **Lenton Alliance Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1877

### **Lenton Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1909

### **Leominster Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Active in 1850, conductor Mr Dearn. Still active in 1858

### **Leominster Oddfellows Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Active in 1862, conductor Mr Huxley

### **Leonard Stanley Brass Band** - Upton St Leonards, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s

### **Lepton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858, conductor Mr Lee

**Lerryn Band** - Cornwall

There is news of a Lerryn Band playing at the Peace Celebrations of 1919. This could be a band formed just for that event as I have no further information on them.

**Lerwick Brass Band** - Shetland

[current band] - Founded in 1863

**Lerwick Brass Band** - Shetland

Formed in the 1860s and active until the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1914.

**Leslie and District Brass Band** - Fife

Formed in 1913. They acquired new instruments which were held in trust by the council. In 1928 was conducted by Charles M. Terris. Active through to the 1960s

**Leslie Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1880s/1890s. Folded in 1897 and their instruments were put into the town council's care.

**Leslie Silver Band** - Fife

See: *Leslie and District Brass Band*

**Leslie Town Band** - Fife

See: *Leslie and District Brass Band*

**Lesmahagow and District Public Miners' Welfare Band** - Lanarkshire

Started in 1927 as an offshoot of the Independent Order of Good Templars Band and was known simply as the Public Band, but the need for a regular source of funds brought association with the Miners' Welfare club. Due to dwindling public support and the lack of players of the right calibre, it was found necessary to wind up the band at the start of WW2. During its brief history, the Public band had reached the Premier grade and had achieved nation-wide recognition following its successes on the contest field and radio broadcasts on the BBC. When the band disposed of their instruments they donated the proceeds of the sale of their instruments to the Nursing Association to buy the district nurse's first car. The band trophies, which dated from the contests held in the village in the twenties, saw the light of day once more when the Lesmahagow Highland Games were inaugurated in the late nineteen fifties. The 'Nethanvale Cup' is awarded to the best Lanarkshire pipe band in Grade Three and the 'St. Machute' trophy to the band second in Grade Three. The Vale of Nethan Pipe Band, which came into being in 1953 as an offshoot of the Boys' Brigade band, quickly rose to prominence under the firm leadership of Pipe Major Archie Templeton and drum-tutor Jim Macintyre but later fell into obscurity with comparable rapidity. However, on the third Saturday of June each year, the Highland Games remains a popular date in the pipe band contest and sporting calendars as a reminder of the golden age of bands in Lesmahagow Parish.

**Lesmahagow I.O.G.T. Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1907 through to the 1920s

**Lesmahagow Independent Order of Good Templars Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Lesmahagow I.O.G.T. Brass Band*

**Lesmahagow Public Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Lesmahagow and District Public Miners' Welfare Band*

**Lesmahagow Rifle Volunteers Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863

**Letchworth Garden City Band** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1906

**Letchworth Town Band**

Active in 1938

**Leven Brass Band - Fife**

Founded in the 1870s by Robert Burt. Still active in the 1900s, G.E. Grey conductor in 1904. Probably folded prior to or during WW1, to be replaced by the Leven Town Band thereafter.

**Leven Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Formed in 1868, made its first public appearance at Christmas that year. Still active in the 1880s, conductor John Adams in 1883

**Leven Temperance Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Founded in May 1860, conductor Mr Brown

**Leven Town Band - Fife**

Founded after WW1, active through to the 1970s

**Leven Valley Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in the 1900s

**Levenshulme Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active from the 1880s to the 1950s

**Levenshulme Mission Band - Lancashire**

Active in the early 1900s

**Lever Bridge Brass Band - Darcy Lever, Lancashire**

Active in 1869, 1870

**Levern Instrumental Band - Renfrewshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Barrhead Burgh Band*

**Leverton Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1920s

**Levy and Distin's Grand Instrumental Union Brass Band - London**

Founded in 1867. A professional brass band formed to highlight the instruments sold by Distin's and featuring some of the leading performers in the city, including M. Levy on principal cornet.

**Lewes Brass Band - Sussex**

See: *Lewes Town Band*

**Lewes Glynde and Beddingham Brass - Sussex**

[current band] - Founded in 1922 - Former names: Glynde & Beddingham Brass Band (to 2002), (a.k.a. LGB Brass)

**Lewes Temperance Mission Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1890s

**Lewes Town and Volunteer Cinque Ports Band**

See: *Lewes Town Band*

**Lewes Town Band - Sussex**

Formed around 1840 as the Lewes Town and Volunteer Cinque Ports Band. The band played at regular local functions throughout the 20th century including concerts at the Town Hall, civic events, church parades and Armistice Day, local band contests and at the annual Lewes Bonfire ceremonies with one of the bonfire societies. In the 1950s the band provided two men to play state trumpets as heralds at the Sussex Assizes. Past conductors include Mr Emmler and Mr Gates (19th century), A K Tappin (1904-1948), F Austin and F Lockwood (variously, 1948-1950), Squadron Leader T D Atkinson (c1950- ). Records of the band, from 1914-1950, are held at the East Sussex Record Office

**Lewington Glass Works Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
 Formed in the 1900s and still active in 1947, probably folded in the 1950s

**Lewington Yamaha Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Lewis Graddfa Youth Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1970s

**Lewis Merthyr (Cardiff Lift Co.) Band** - Glamorgan  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Lewis Merthyr Silver Band*

**Lewis Merthyr Colliery Temperance Band**  
 See: *Trehafod Rechabites Brass Band*

**Lewis Merthyr Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
 [current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: Cymmer (Porth) Colliery Band (to 1949), Lewis Merthyr (Cardiff Lift Co.) Band - Note: Trehafod Recobite Band bore the name of "Lewis Merthyr" in the early 1900s as it received support off the then prosperous, Lewis Merthyr Colliery. Around that time it changed from an all-brass band to a military type band.

**Lewis Merthyr Silver Band**  
 See: *Trehafod Rechabites Brass Band*

**Lewis Merthyr Workmen's Institute Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in 1951

**Lewisham Borough Band** - Kent  
 See: *Lewisham Brass Band*

**Lewisham Brass Band** - Kent  
 Active from the early 1890s to 1939

**Leyburn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Formed in 1841, folded in 1994. Conductor J. Hunter in 1860, Robert de Lacy in 1863. A new band, Leyburn Centenary Band, was formed in the town in 2003

**Leyburn Centenary Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Leyburn District Band*

**Leyburn District Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 2003 - Former names: Leyburn Centenary Band

**Leyburn Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 See: *Leyburn Band*

**Leyland and Farington Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1863

**Leyland Band** - Lancashire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1946 - Former names: Leyland Motors Band, Leyland Vehicles Band (1978), Leyland DAF Band (1987), BNFL Leyland Band (1992-96), JJB Sports Leyland band (1997-99), The Leyland Band (2000)

**Leyland Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1850s to 1868

**Leyland British Legion Band** - Lancashire  
 Active from the 1930s to the 1950s

**Leyland DAF Band** - Lancashire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Leyland Band*

**Leyland Motors Band** - Lancashire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Leyland Band*

**Leyland P.S.A. Brotherhood Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. Part of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoons Brotherhood.

**Leyland Parish Church Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Leyland Parish Church V.A.C. Band** - Lancashire

See: *Leyland Parish Church Band*

**Leyland Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Leyland Subscription Band*

**Leyland Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Formed in February 1881, conductor James Lord. In 1893 it gained second place in a contest in Skelmersdale. Conductor R. Woodcock in 1907. Renamed Leyland Prize Band at some time. Active through to WW2.

**Leyland Vehicles Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Leyland Band*

**Leysian Methodist Mission Brass Band** - Finsbury, Middlesex

Founded in the 1890s. Active to the 1920s. (Minutes 1903-1924 exist in the London Metropolitan Archives). It was renamed Finsbury Temperance Band in 1905. Conductor D. Price in 1905. Based at the Leysian Methodist Mission, City Road, Finsbury.

**Leysian Mission Band** - Finsbury, Middlesex

See: *Leysian Methodist Mission Brass Band*

**Leyton Borough Silver Band** - Essex

Active from the 1920s to the 1960s. Also known as Leyton Silver Band.

**Leyton Christchurch Brass Band** - Essex

Active before WW2

**Leyton Silver Band** - Essex

See: *Leyton Borough Silver Band*

**Leytonstone Excelsior Band**

Active in the 1900s

**LGB Brass** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Lewes Glynde & Beddingham Brass*

**Lhanbryde Brass Band** - Morayshire

Founded in 1866

**Liberton Industrial School Band**

See: *Guthrie's Industrial School Band*

**Licensed Victuallers' School Brass Band** - Vauxhall, Surrey

Active in 1867, conductor Mr Tyler. The school was located in Kennington Lane. Still active in 1868

**Lichfield British Legion Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in October 1947

**Lichfield City Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1910 and survived until 1937. A new Lichfield City Band was formed in 1985

**Lichfield Juvenile Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1858

**Lichfield Rifle Corps Band**

See: *Lichfield Volunteer Band*

**Lichfield Volunteer Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1905

- Liddesdale Temperance Band** - Roxburghshire  
Active from the 1890s to the 1960s. James Crozier conductor in 1899, W.G. Armstrong in 1933
- Lidlington Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active the 1900s, conductor H. Frost in 1902, W. Henman in 1909
- Lifford and Sherborne Mills Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1867
- Lifford Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1868
- Lifton Brass Band**  
Active in 1936
- Lightcliffe Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Lighthouse Brass Band** - Walthamstow, Essex  
See: *Lighthouse Silver Band*
- Lighthouse Mission Band** - Walthamstow, Essex  
See: *Lighthouse Silver Band*
- Lighthouse Silver Band** - Walthamstow, Essex  
Active from the 1890s, conductor W.E. Lawrence in 1894. Disbanded in the 1950s
- Lightwater Brass Band** - Surrey  
Photographs, a jacket worn by one of the bandsmen and part of a tea service issued with the band's name on it are held in the Surrey Heath Museum.
- Lilleshall Collieries Prize Band**  
See: *Lilleshall Colliery Brass Band*
- Lilleshall Colliery Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active from the 1890s. Originally St George's Temperance Band and renamed following the colliery sponsorship in 1907, when the company bought the band many new instruments and a set of new uniforms. Name changed to Oakengates and District Band in 1962 when the council helped financially. The band folded in the late 1960s.
- Limehouse Children's Establishment Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1861
- Linacre Wesleyan Mission Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Active in early 1900s
- Lincoln Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1857
- Lincoln Beevor Band** - Lincolnshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Beevor Youth Band
- Lincoln Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1883
- Lincoln Borough Band** - Lincolnshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Lincoln Band*
- Lincoln British Legion Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1950s
- Lincoln City Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln City Saxhorn Band*
- Lincoln City Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln St Michael's Brass Band*



- Lincoln City Saxhorn Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1850s, conductor F.M. Ward in 1859
- Lincoln Excelsior Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. John Elvin was secretary in 1897
- Lincoln Far Newland Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s, J.H. Brooks conductor in 1906
- Lincoln Good Templar Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln Temperance Band*
- Lincoln Imperial Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1950s
- Lincoln Iron and Steel Works Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1890s to 1920s. Won 2nd prize and the Daily Telegraph Cup, in the Crystal Palace Championships in 1920.
- Lincoln Ironworks Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln Iron and Steel Works Band*
- Lincoln Malleable Iron Works Band** - Lincolnshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Lincoln Band*
- Lincoln Malleable Ironworks Silver Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln Iron and Steel Works Band*
- Lincoln Newland Mission Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Newland Mission Brass Band*
- Lincoln Oddfellows Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Lincoln Old Comrades Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1919
- Lincoln Rechabite Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1896
- Lincoln Sheaf Works Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Sheaf Works Prize Band*
- Lincoln St Michael's Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1880s to WW2. H. Blow conductor in 1899. William Mumby secretary in 1902. Walter Hought conductor in 1904. Became Lincoln City Brass Band around 1905. A. Cox was bandmaster (of 24 Pond Street) in 1919. A successor City of Lincoln Band arose out of the Lincoln Malleable Iron Works Band in due course.
- Lincoln Temperance Band (1)** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1853 - composed of "youths engaged in the foundry of Clayton & Co., who, in the course of a short period, under the tuition of Mr Ashton, have made astonishing progress."
- Lincoln Temperance Band (2)** - Lincolnshire  
Founded in 1882, conductor John Ashton
- Lincoln Town Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1970s
- Lincoln Victoria Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1897 into the 1900s
- Lincoln Y.M.C.A. Mission Band** - Lincolnshire  
See: *Newland Mission Brass Band*

**Lincolnshire Fire Brigade Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Lincolnshire Pauper Asylum Brass Band** - Bracebridge Heath, Lincolnshire

Formed in late 1853. The asylum had been opened in 1852, originally to house 250 inmates.

**Lincolnshire Youth Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1990s

**Lindal Moor Brass Band** - Lindal-in-Furness, Lancashire

Active in 1900

**Lindfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Founded in 1887, conductor Mr Trill. Still active in 1920

**Lindley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1835 - Former names: Lindley Brass Band, Lindley Prize Band, Priest Lindley Band, Peter Hawke Garages Lindley Band, PHG Lindley Band -

Note: A report in 1863 gives the conductor as Garside Mills, and that the Lindley Brass Band had been formed around 1852, meeting in the Saddle Inn, Lindley.

**Lindley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Lindley Band*

**Lingdale Ironstone Miners' Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Lingdale Silver Band*

**Lingdale Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1851 as Lingdale Ironstone Miners' Band. Later known as Lingdale Silver Band, Lingdale Silver (ICI Chemical Products) Band (from 1986). Merged with Yarm and District Band in 1998 to form Lockwood Band

**Lingfield and District Brass Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Lingfield Silver Band*

**Lingfield Silver Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1913 - Former names: Lingfield and District Brass Band

**Linkinhorne and North Hill Band** - Cornwall

See: *Linkinhorne Parish Band*

**Linkinhorne Parish Band** - Cornwall

The village of Linkinhorne can be found between Callington and Launceston. They, the villagers, formed a band in 1887/88 and by 1890 they were fully kitted out with uniforms - all eleven (plus bass and side drums) of them. By 1910 their uniform had changed completely and very smart they look too. By now they had 15 players. In 1907 J Doney took over the leadership of the band and probably stayed with them until the end which appears to be about 1921.

**Links Pottery Brass Band** - Kirkcaldy, Fife

Active in 1855 and 1859. The David Methven and Sons (Kirkcaldy Pottery) was located in Links Street - famous for its "Wemyss Ware"

**Linlithgow Brass Band** - West Lothian

Formed in 1859. Report of it disbanding in 1899. Another report of it (or a successor band) being active in 1903

**Linlithgow Corporation Band** - West Lothian

Active around 1900, conductor Frank Waddington, followed by David Ainslie

**Linlithgow Town Band** - West Lothian

See: *Linlithgow Brass Band*

**Linlithgow Union Brass Band** - West Lothian

Active in 1865

**Linotype Brass Band**

See: *Broadheath Linotype Brass Band*

**Linthwaite Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1852 - Former names: Linthwaite Silver Band

**Linthwaite Church School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in June 1860 by 19 young men, rehearsing the in parish church school room.

**Linthwaite Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Linthwaite Band*

**Linton Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in December 1879. Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor W.M. Willis in 1885.

**Linton Colliery Band** - Morpeth, Northumberland

Active in the early 1900s

**Linton Miners' Silver Model Band**

See: *Linton Colliery Band*

**Lintz Green Brass Band** - Lintzford, Durham

Active in the 1880s

**Lions Youth Brass** - Crewe, Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1988

**Liscard Victoria Subscription Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1904

**Liskeard Borough Band** - Cornwall

Formed in the 1890s under Mr C Penny.

**Liskeard Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1867

**Liskeard Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Note: Other related bands: Liskeard Temperance Band (1901), Liskeard Borough Band (1890s), Greenbank Band (Liskeard), 1886

**Liskeard Temperance Band**

Formed in 1901 - it continued until about 1914 when war broke out. Some of the members, together with a few of an old Volunteer Band, decided to carry on for the duration under Mr T Edmonds. Assumed to have folded during or shortly after the War. A successor band, Liskeard Silver Band, was formed in 1920.

**Liss Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1974

**Lister's Silver Band**

See: *Stinchcombe Silver Band*

**Lister's Social Club Band**

See: *Stinchcombe Silver Band*

**Litchborough Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s to 1930s

**Litchurch Iron Works and Victoria Foundry Saxhorn Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Cotton Lane Brass Band*

**Litherland Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s, but folded, probably in the early 1950s. It reformed sometime in the 1960's under W.E. (Billy) Pugh and played in the area until it ceased to exist in the

late 1970's. Although never a large band, it had a youth section, again led by Billy Pugh. A number of the people who started there are still active these days.

**Little Bowden Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1884 - possibly related to the Syminton's soup powder factory in Little Bowden. May be the same band as "Symington's Brass Band"

**Little Bromwich E.M.S. Brass Band**

*See: Little Bromwich Early Morning School Brass Band*

**Little Bromwich Early Morning School Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s to 1915. Conductor Mr Hall in 1907

**Little Bromwich School Band**

*See: Little Bromwich Early Morning School Brass Band*

**Little Chester Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1902. Still active in 1910

**Little Chilton Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1855

**Little Common Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Little Compton Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s

**Little Dawley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1855

**Little Downham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1857 to 1879

**Little Gaddesden Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1903, conductor J. Hager

**Little Ilford Tabernacle Brass Band**

Active in the early 1900s, when the conductor was Harry Jones.

**Little John Brass Band** - Calverton, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1855

**Little Lever Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1857, still active in 1865, secretary Joseph Beddows.

**Little Lever Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1896 by the Church of England Temperance Society. All the bandsmen paid a subscription of 2 pence per week to be a member. Within a few years they had become successful on the contest scene and were able to add Prize to their name. Conductor G. Gettins in 1903. The band initially rehearsed at St Matthew's Church, but later moved to their own bandroom in Back Lever Street. It was commented in 1935 that the band was in low waters financially but the bandsmen made up for this in their enthusiasm. At this time it was customary to divide the engagement fee half and half between the band and the bandsmen, most bands did this as a source of beer money for the men. It disbanded in the 1940's.

**Little London Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Little London Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1917

**Little Mill Reformatory Brass Band** - Pontypool,

Active in 1914

- Little Sheffield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1864
- Little Waltham and District Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1950s
- Little Weeton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Little Weighton Brass Band*
- Little Weighton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1857
- Littleborough Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Littleborough Public Band*
- Littleborough Public Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1862 - Former names: Littleborough Public Silver Band -  
Note: Originally formed from three bands, one of which was Littleborough Temperance Band
- Littleborough Reach Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1909
- Littleborough Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Littleborough Public Band*
- Littlebury Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1905
- Littledean Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1843.
- Littledean Hill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1864
- Littledean Temperance Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1865, 1866
- Littlehampton Sacred Brass Band** - Sussex  
Formed in the early 1880s as a drum and fife band by George Sainsbury who moved to Littlehampton from Fawley in Hampshire. By 1885 it had converted to a full brass band and was known as Littlehampton Town Band. Eventually, Sainsbury left England and went to live in Canada where he set up the Weston Boys Brass Band. Some time after 1925 the band converted to a concert band lineup with woodwind instruments, eventually disbanding in 1952.
- Littlehampton Town Band** - Sussex  
See: *Littlehampton Sacred Brass Band*
- Littlemore Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1850s
- Littlemore County Asylum Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1880s. The Littlemore Hospital (Oxford County and City Pauper Lunatic Asylum) was built in 1848 housing up to 200 patients.
- Littleover Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1863, conductor Edwin Green
- Littleport Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1880
- Littletown Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1857

**Littlewoods Grimsdyke Brass** - Harrow, Middlesex  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Grimsdyke Brass*

**Littleworth Brass Band** - near Amberley, Gloucestershire  
 Active in 1863

**Litton Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in 1887, conductor Mr Heaton. Still active in 1897

**Liverpool Alliance Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Conductor J.G. Rungden in 1860.

**Liverpool Amateur Brass Band**  
 Active from 1860, conductor Charles Steen. Still active in 1866, conductor T.D. Richardson

**Liverpool Artisans' Brass Band**  
 Active in the 1890s and the 1900s

**Liverpool Blind Asylum Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in 1897 and the 1900s. The school was in Brunswick Road.

**Liverpool Blue Coat School Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Blue Coat School Brass Band (Liverpool)*

**Liverpool Boys' Orphanage Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 The Liverpool Catholic Boys Orphanage, a certified industrial school, was opened in Beacon Lane from 1863 to 1949. The band was active in the 1890s through to its closure. Run by Sisters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul, it was also known as St Vincent de Paul Brass Band, Beacon Lane Boys Band, Liverpool Orphanage Brass Band.

**Liverpool Boys' Refuge Industrial School Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Liverpool Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Liverpool Amateur Brass Band*

**Liverpool British Workman Public House Company Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in 1885

**Liverpool Catholic Blind School Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Liverpool Blind Asylum Brass Band*

**Liverpool Catholic Institute Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in 1858

**Liverpool Catholic Total Abstinence Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s

**Liverpool Central Hall Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1902, conductor J. Marr

**Liverpool City Brass Band (1)** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Liverpool City Unity Band*

**Liverpool City Brass Band (2)** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1950s

**Liverpool City Unity Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1891 from members of the disbanded Gray and Davison Brass Band. Later renamed Liverpool City Band, active into the 1900s

**Liverpool Constabulary Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Founded in April 1868, with 15 members, conductor Mr Beardall. Conductor A.P. Crawley in 1894

- Liverpool Corporation Passenger Tramways Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s to 1937
- Liverpool Corporation Passenger Transport Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1958 to 1962
- Liverpool Corporation South School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1863
- Liverpool Excelsior Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- Liverpool Industrial Ragged School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1871, through to the 1900s. Conductor A.B. Smith in 1904, The industrial school was established on Beaufort Street by Rev. Canon Henry Postance.
- Liverpool Industrial Schools (Westminster Road) Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Kirkdale Industrial Ragged School Brass Band*
- Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway (Alexandra Docks) Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway Band*
- Liverpool L. and N.W. Railway Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Frank Howells resigned in 1901 to be succeeded by C. Elsom. Also known as Bootle Alexandra Band and Alexandra Docks Band
- Liverpool Liberal Federation Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Founded in 1908, conductor C. Rimmer
- Liverpool Navy League Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Founded in 1904, conductor George Smith
- Liverpool North End Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Founded around 1905, still active in 1918. Bandmaster J. Williams in 1905, J.B. Jenkins in 1908
- Liverpool Orphan Boys Asylum Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1860
- Liverpool Orphanage Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Liverpool Boys' Orphanage Band*
- Liverpool P.S.A. Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1902
- Liverpool Police Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Liverpool Constabulary Band*
- Liverpool Postal Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s, conductor F. Moynagh in 1894
- Liverpool Press Guard Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- Liverpool Ragged Schools Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Soho Street Ragged Schools Brass Band*
- Liverpool Reformatory School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s. The Liverpool Juvenile Reformatory Farm School, Mill Lane (now Winwick Road), Newton-in-Makerfield, was operational between 1850 and 1900. Abel Jones, who lived in Earlestown from 1861 until his death in 1886, was the band's conductor. As an aside, it is interesting to note that a certain delinquent, sent to such a school at the age of 12, would never have otherwise had the opportunity to learn to play

an instrument, became world famous. This school was the New Orleans Home for Colored Waifs - he was Louis Armstrong.

**Liverpool Road Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Liverpool Road L. and N.W. Brass Band*

**Liverpool Road L. and N.W. Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to WW1.

**Liverpool Seamen's Orphanage Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. The orphanage was opened in 1869 and the band was active in 1870, playing at the laying of the chapel foundations at the site at Newsham Park. Conductor G.C. Smith in 1900

**Liverpool Socialist Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

[no information]

**Liverpool Sons of Temperance Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1853

**Liverpool South Corporation Schools Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in mid-1861, conductor Mr Emidy, instruments and uniforms costing nearly £80. Still active in 1864

**Liverpool St Albans Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, based at the St Albans Church in Athol Street.

**Liverpool St Alphonsus Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, based at the St Alphonsus Church in Great Mersey Street. Conductor J. Heron in 1902

**Liverpool Teetotal Crusade Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Formed in 1903, conductor Charles Rimmer. The Liverpool and District Teetotal Crusade was originally formed in the 1890s as the Open-Air Total Abstinence Mission. Also known as the Temperance Crusade Band

**Liverpool Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1886, conductor Henry Jenkinson

**Liverpool Victoria Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor J. Finney in 1895

**Liverpool Welsh Temperance Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Liverpool West Derby Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1860s

**Liverpool Workshops for the Blind Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1885, conductor G.W. Nicholson. Active through to 1918, conductor W.R. Gasking in 1894.

**Liversedge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1889, active through the 1890s

**Livingston Brass Band** - Midlothian

Formed in 1976. Merged with Broxburn Public Brass Band in 2004 to form Broxburn and Livingston Brass Band

**Livingstone Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1899

**Lixwm Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1900s to the 1930s



### **Lizard Band** - Cornwall

THE RIVAL BANDSMEN OF MENEAGE. Or He Who Collars a Man and Gets Knocked Down is Served Rightly. This was the heading in the "Cornishman" newspaper of 1888 when reporting an assault case heard at the West Kerrier petty sessions. Roughly what happened was that there was a festival held in St Keverne and the Porthalla Band were engaged to provide the music. St Keverne Band had usually played at this event, but not this time, although several of their members turned up for a day out.. The Lizard Band had had the nerve to bring their instruments but were not allowed to perform. During an interval, whilst Porthalla Band were having their tea, Richard Jose, John Tiddy and Mr Chiddock, all Lizard Band members, were laughing together and jeering at bandsmen of the other two bands. William Scobie, of St Keverne Band, remonstrated with them, upon which Jose grabbed Scobie by the collar. Scobie floored him with a punch to the side of the head rendering him unconscious for several minutes. End of fracas. The court dismissed the case and each party had to pay their own costs, estimated at being not less than £3. The Good Old Days!! Apart from that, Lizard band seems to have been active only in the early 1880's.

### **Llan Ffestiniog Brass Band** - Merioneth

See: *Blaenau Festiniog Brass Band*

### **Llanaelhaearn Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1869

### **Llanbedrgoch Brass Band** - Anglesey

Active in 1861

### **Llanberis Brass Band (1)** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1870s

### **Llanberis Brass Band (2)** - Caernarfonshire

Founded in 1886 by a Mr Ayres, an Englishman who had made his home in Portdinerwic. The instruments of the defunct Llanrug band were still in storage in Cinch Ddu, but through Mr Ayres' efforts they were transferred to Llanberis. This band was controlled from the Vaynol Estate who owned the instruments, and it was not until 1894 that Llanberis managed to get instruments of their own and function independently. These were second-hand instruments which were bought for £30 but it was soon realised that the band could never make progress with instruments in such poor condition. A few years later Dr Mills Roberts came to take charge of the Quarry Hospital. He was a keen musician and it was mainly through his enthusiasm that a Volunteers' Band was formed in the village in 1902. A young bandsman of exceptional talent, Thomas Williams (Twin Bach) was chosen as bandmaster. Several others gave many years of devoted service to the Llanberis hand; notably Owen Evans (Now Ilan) the postman; a line bass player who used to 'boom-boom' his way on his daily rounds, walking in strict march time and climbing with his bundle of letters to the scattered smallholdings of Gwaun Cwm Brwynog on the slopes of Snowdon. The band remained active through to the 1980s.

### **Llanberis Silver Band**

See: *Llanberis Brass Band (2)*

### **Llanberis Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Llanberis Brass Band (2)*

### **Llanberis Volunteers Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Llanbradach Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1890s to the 1920s

**Llanddulas Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active from the 1890s to the early 1920s.

**Llanddulas Silver Band** - Denbighshire

Active from the late 1940s to the early 1960s. The band played at Gwrych Castle on Sunday's in the summer. As Terry Jones recalls: "The band was very much a family affair, my Taid Dafydd Jones was the band master, my father Glynne Jones played trombone, Uncle Stanley played cornet and cousins Elwyn Roberts and Merfyn Hughes also played."

**Llandegla Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1867 to 1869. Conductor Mr Edwards in 1868

**Llandeilo Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1850s and from the early 1900s to the 1920s

**Llandilo Brass Band**

See: *Llandeilo Brass Band*

**Llandinorwic Brass Band**

See: *Llandinorwic Ebenezer Band*

**Llandinorwic Ebenezer Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active from 1866 to the 1890s

**Llandoverly Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1886

**Llandrindod Wells Silver Band** - Radnorshire

[current band] - Founded in 1969

**Llandrindod Wells Temperance Band** - Radnorshire

Active in 1890s. Disbanded around 1950. A successor band was formed in 1969

**Llandudno Amateur Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1890s. Presumed to have folded before 1910 when the St Tudno Silver Band became Llandudno Town Band.

**Llandudno Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: St Tudno Silver Band (to 1910) -

Note: Adopted by the town in 1910

**Llandyssul Brass Band** - Cardiganshire

Active in 1860. One of its leaders, Thomas Rees, died in December 1860, aged 41

**Llanelli and District Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Founded in 1912 as Llanelli Public Band. Later known as Llanelli Town Band and Pressed Steel Fisher Llanelli Band. Probably folded in the mid 2000s.

**Llanelli Public Band**

See: *Llanelli and District Silver Band*

**Llanelli Rechabite Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1884

**Llanelli Silver Prize Band** - Carmarthenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Llanelli Town Band*

**Llanelli Temperance Band** - Carmarthenshire

Founded in 1906

**Llanelli Town Band** - Carmarthenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1912 - Former names: Llanelli Silver Prize Band

**Llanelli Town Band (1) - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor T.C. Edwards in 1888

**Llanelli Town Band (2)**

See: *Llanelli and District Silver Band*

**Llanelly Brass Band - Brecknockshire**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Llanerch-y-medd Brass Band - Anglesey**

See: *Llanerch-y-medd Brass Band*

**Llanerch-y-mor Brass Band - Flintshire**

See: *Llanerch-y-mor Brass Band*

**Llanerfyl Brass Band - Montgomeryshire**

Active in the 1870s

**Llanfachreth Brass Band - Merioneth**

Active in the 1880s through to WW1. Robert Evans was a euphonium player in the band, whose members were mainly farmers, and when he died in 1948 the last verse of the march "Now or Never" was inscribed on his tombstone.

**Llanfair Brass Band - Llanfair Caereinion, Montgomeryshire**

Active in 1869, conductor J. Smith, to the 1900s

**Llanfairfechan Brass Band - Caernarfonshire**

Active in the 1870s to the 1920s

**Llanfyllin Brass Band - Montgomeryshire**

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s

**Llanfynydd Brass Band - Flintshire**

Active in the early 1900s

**Llangefni Brass Band - Anglesey**

Active from the early 1860s to the 1970s

**Llangefni Town Band**

See: *Llangefni Brass Band*

**Llangollen Brass Band - Denbighshire**

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1904 (the current Llangollen Town Band)

**Llangollen Silver Band - Denbighshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1904

**Llanhilleth Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1900, when it was conducted by Frederick James Hayes. Also known as Llanhilleth Town Band, contemporary with the Colliery Band in 1914.

**Llanhilleth Colliery Band - Monmouthshire**

Founded in 1908, conductor Mr Watkins. Still active in 1914

**Llanidloes Borough Band - Montgomeryshire**

Active from the 1920s to the 1940s

**Llanidloes Borough Silver Band - Montgomeryshire**

[current band]

**Llanidloes Brass Band - Montgomeryshire**

Active from the 1850s through to WW1. Conductor Mr Mill in 1856

**Llanllyfni Brass Band - Caernarfonshire**

Active from the mid-1860s into the 1870s

**Llannerch-y-medd Brass Band** - Anglesey

Founded in 1862. Active through to the 1890s, it was conducted by William Thomas (b.1820) for fifty years!

**Llannerch-y-mor and Mostyn Band** - Flintshire

See: *Llannerch-y-mor Brass Band*

**Llannerchymor Band** - Flintshire

See: *Llannerch-y-mor Brass Band*

**Llannerch-y-mor Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1890s. Llannerch-y-mor was a small private dock, located between Mostyn and Flint and constructed as part of the nearby lead smelting works, which probably supplied most of the men for the band. Conductor Thomas Hughes in 1893. The band is reported to have disbanded in 1899

**Llanpumsaint Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1900s

**Llanrug Brass Band (1)** - Caernarfonshire

Formed around 1830. Active into the 1850s. A successor band was formed in the early 1860s

**Llanrug Brass Band (2)** - Caernarfonshire

See: *Llanrug Royal Brass Band*

**Llanrug Royal Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in the early 1860s. In 1871 it came under the patronage of the squire of the Vaynol Estate, who was also the owner of the Dinorwic Slate Quarry. and was given the new title of Royal Vaynol Brass Band. On March 23rd, 1873, the bandmaster's son, Robert, met with a serious accident in the quarry when he fell from the rock face over fifty feet, and later died. When the lady of Vaynol heard the news she bought a set of black uniforms for the band to attend the young quarryman's funeral, and a black ribbon was tied to each instrument. Won first prize in the Festiniog Eisteddfod brass band contest in 1884. When the quarrymen were unemployed during the 'lock-out' of 1885, an order was received from the Vaynol that all the instruments were to be returned immediately to Gilfach Ddu, Llanberis, for safe keeping while the men were out. The road to Llanberis was crowded with unemployed quarrymen, and the band was persuaded to play a march to cheer them up. As a result they lost the instruments for ever. The conductor at the time was an Englishman named Mr Tidswell, and he was paid a monthly wage of £10 from the quarry office. This was promptly stopped and he had to return to England to earn his living, the band folded then in 1885/1886. A successor band, the Vaynol Royal Silver Band, was formed in 1888.

**Llanrug Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

[current band]

**Llanrwst Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active from 1861 to the 1870s

**Llanrwst Town Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1930s

**Llansaint Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active from the early 1900s (known as Llansaint Temperance Band) to the 1990s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section), conducted by E. Charlton

- Llansaint Temperance Band** - Carmarthenshire  
See: *Llansaint Silver Band*
- Llansamlet Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1895. Active through to the 1930s
- Llansanffraid Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1868
- Llansilin Band** - Denbighshire  
Folded around 1960
- Llanstephan Brass Band** - Radnorshire  
Active in 1895
- Llantrisant Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1868, 1869
- Llantrisant Town Band** - Glamorgan  
Formed in the 1920s with players from Beddau, Cross Inn and Tynant. It rehearsed in the Cross Keys, before moving to the former jail house below the Town Hall. The bandmaster was John M. Thomas of Tynant. The euphonium player, Daniel Williams (Dan the Band), became conductor in the 1930s and they performed in the demonstration marches of 1934. It perished during World War II and the last performance was at the Armistice Parade in Beddau.
- Llanwarne Brass Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1876, with Mr. Benjamin Court as bandmaster
- Llanwyddelan Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire  
Active in 1869
- Llanymynech Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire  
Founded in 1862. Conductor Mr Sangers in 1864. Still active in 1869
- Llawr-y-Bettws Brass Band** - Merioneth  
Active in the 1880s
- Llay Colliery Welfare Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire  
Active from the 1920s. Disbanded in 1967 - with instruments and equipment going to the Point of Ayr Band.
- Llay Welfare Band** - Denbighshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1970 - Former names: Gresford Band, Gresford Colliery Welfare Silver Band - Note: Original Llay Colliery Band disbanded in 1967 - with instruments and equipment going to the Point of Ayr Band. In the 1970's Gresford band found themselves homeless when the N.U.M office in Wrexham was closed. They were offered practice facilities at the Miners Institute in Llay. The offer was accepted and Llay Welfare band was reborn
- Llay Welfare Institute Band**  
See: *Colliery Welfare Band*
- Lloyd and Foster's Axle and Tyre Works Saxhorn Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire  
Active in 1866 and through to the 1870s
- Lloyd Park Hall Brass Band** - Walthamstow, Essex  
Active in the early 1920s - based at the Lloyd Park Hall Methodist Mission in Forest Road
- Lloyd's Ironworks Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s - contemporary with the Lloyd's Steel and Axle Works Band
- Lloyds Silver Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent  
[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Lloyd's Steel and Axle Works Band**

See: *Lloyd and Foster's Axle and Tyre Works Saxhorn Band*

**Llwycoed Silver and Colliery Welfare Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

Founded in 1914. Disbanded in 1967 - with instruments and equipment going to the Point of Ayr Band

**Llwydcoed Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1912

**Llwynhendy Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Llwynypia Sherwood Mission Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1908, still active in 1911. Conductor Samuel Lock in 1909. Also known as Llwynypia Primitive Methodist Mission Gospel Band

**Llysnewydd Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1867

**Loanhead Burgh Band** - Midlothian

See: *Loanhead Ex-Servicemen Band*

**Loanhead Ex-Service and Burgh Band** - Midlothian

See: *Loanhead Ex-Servicemen Band*

**Loanhead Ex-Servicemen Band** - Midlothian

Formed after 1918 and disbanded at the start of the Second World War

**Lob Mill Brass Band** - Todmorden, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Cotton mill

**Lobb Mills Brass Band** - Todmorden, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Lob Mill Brass Band*

**Lochee Brass Band (1)** - Dundee, Angus

See: *Lochee Instrumental Band*

**Lochee Brass Band (2)** - Dundee, Angus

See: *Camperdown Linen Works Band*

**Lochee Instrumental Band** - Dundee, Angus

Active in the 1860s to 1867

**Lochee Operative Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus

See: *Camperdown Linen Works Band*

**Lochee Trades Band** - Dundee, Angus

See: *Lochee Brass Band*

**Lochgelly Band** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1854 - Former names: Lochgelly Instrumental Brass Band, Lochgelly Public Brass Band

**Lochgelly Instrumental Brass Band** - Fife

[previous name of current band] See: *Lochgelly Band*

**Lochgelly Private Band** - Fife

Active in 1905, conducted by D. Gibbs. Contemporary with the, then, Lochgelly Public Brass Band

**Lochgelly Public Brass Band** - Fife

[previous name of current band] See: *Lochgelly Band*

**Lochgilphead Asylum Brass Band** - Argyllshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

### **Lochhead, Victoria and Earlseat Band**

See: *Victoria Lochhead Band*

### **Lochore Colliery Band - Fife**

Active in the 1920s to 1950s

### **Lockeridge Silver Band - Wiltshire**

Formed in 1910. Amalgated with the Overton Mission Band in 1934 to form Kennet Vale Silver Band, at which time the bandmaster was Reg Stagg.

### **Lockerley and District Silver Prize Band - Hampshire**

Originally a temperance organisation formed by Isaac Pritchard, organist at Lockerley Hole Baptist chapel in about 1880

### **Lockerley Silver Band - Hampshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Note: The band was established as a Temperance Band and the original conductor was a Mr. Issac Pritchard. He was succeeded by his son Caleb Pritchard who died sometime during the Great War in 1914 -1918. The baton was then taken over by Edwin Moody, who was instrumental in getting the band to join the Wessex Association and so entering the competition field.

### **Locks Heath Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in the late 1920s and 1930s. Conductor Roland Hill in 1930

### **Lockton Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1865 to 1868

### **Lockwood Brass - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1998 - Former names: Merger of Lingdale Silver Band and Yarm & District Band

### **Lockwood Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1940s to the mid 1990s. Also known as Lockwood (Jos Lumb and Son) Band, early 1980s, and Lockwood F. Drake Fibres Band, late 1980s.

### **Lockwood's Sax Horn Band - Castleford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1856

### **Locomotive Brass Band - New Holland, Lincolnshire**

See: *Manchester and Sheffield Railway Company Locomotive Band*

### **Loddon Brass Band - Norfolk**

[current band] - Founded in the 1960s

### **Loddon Secondary School Band - Norfolk**

Active in 1975

### **Loddon Town Band - Norfolk**

Founded in 1907 - it met in a small band room near the Fox and Hounds pub in Loddon. It folded in the 1950s and gave the instruments to the then new Loddon Secondary Modern School. A successor band was formed in the 1960s.

### **Lofthouse 2000 Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1999

### **Lofthouse and Middlesmoor Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1914 - Note: Formed by Thomas Bradley of the Crown Hotel, Lofthouse.

### **Lofthouse Brass Band**

See: *Lofthouse Saxhorn Band*

### **Lofthouse Colliery Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in from the 1950s to the early 1980s. Based at Lofthouse, near Wakefield

**Lofthouse Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1853. In 1859 it took part in the Lofthouse Grand Village Band Contest in November that year. It was conducted by J Walker, had 10 performers, and played Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah. and the test piece, Grand Parade March by Jones. Based at Loftus, near Skinningrove. Active through to 1869

**Loftus and Skinningrove Brass Band**

See: *Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band*

**Loftus and Skinningrove Mines Band**

See: *Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band*

**Loftus Brass Band**

See: *Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band*

**Loftus County Modern School Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1960s

**Loftus Iron Works Band**

See: *Skinningrove Iron and Steel Works Band*

**Loftus Mines Brass Band**

See: *Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band*

**Londesborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1866, conductor J.B. Acey

**London and North Western Brass Band** - Wolverton, Buckinghamshire

See: *Wolverton Works Brass Band*

**London and North Western Carriage Works Band** - Crewe, Cheshire

See: *London and North Western Railway Crewe Works Band*

**London and North Western Carriage Works Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1863

**London and North Western Railway Band** - Bescot, Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s

**London and North Western Railway Band** - Edge Hill, Lancashire

See: *Edge Hill (British Railways) Band*

**London and North Western Railway Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Mr Wormald in 1906, Mr Lathom in 1909

**London and North Western Railway Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

See: *Stockport London and North Western Railway Employees Band*

**London and North Western Railway Band** - Hertfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

**London and North Western Railway Crewe Works Band**

Active in the 1910s and 1920s.

**London and North Western Steam Shed Band**

Active in 1879

**London and South Western Locomotive Works Band**

See: *London and South Western Railway Locomotive and Carriage Department Brass Band*

**London and South Western Railway Band** - Nine Elms, Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**London and South Western Railway Locomotive and Carriage Department Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1875



- London and South Western Railway Temperance Union Brass Band** - Clapham Junction, Surrey  
Active in 1889
- London Carmen's No. 10 Brass Band** - Southwark, Surrey  
See: *Southwark Borough Brass Band*
- London Carmen's Trade Union Band**  
See: *London Carmen's Union Brass Band*
- London Carmen's Union Brass Band**  
Active in the 1900s
- London City Mission Band** - Poplar, Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s, based at the church in Grundy Street. Also known as Shaftesbury Hall Band
- London College of Music Brass Band**  
Active in the 1980s
- London County Council Tramway Brotherhood Band** - London  
Active in the 1900s
- London Electricity Redbridge Brass Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Redbridge Brass*
- London Great Central and Metropolitan Band**  
[no information]
- London Home Guard 5th Brass Band**  
Active in 1944
- London Labour Protection League Brass Band**  
Active in the 1900s
- London Metropolitan Brass** - Muswell Hill, Middlesex  
[current band] - Founded in 2013 - Former names: Fortismere Community Brass
- London North Western Garston Docks Prize Brass Band**  
[no information]
- London Plasterers' Band**  
See: *Metropolitan Society of Plasterers Brass Band*
- London Prize Band**  
Active from the early 1900s to WW1.
- London Road Congregational Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- London Road P.S.A. Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s. The Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Societies (or Brotherhoods) were a national effort by non-conformist churches to involve young men in social and religious activity on Sunday afternoons.
- London Road Station Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1891. London Road Station was later renamed Manchester Picadilly.
- London Silver Band**  
Active in the 1920s. Merged with Peel Institute Band to form Finsbury Borough Band / Peel's Silver Band
- London Strand Union Schools Band**  
See: *Strand Union Schools Band*

- London Street Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s - linked to the Primitive Methodist Chapel there.  
Conductor Mr Port in 1900.
- London Temperance Band**  
Active in the 1900s
- London Tilbury and Southend Railway Band**  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Hedges in 1904
- London Tin Plate Workers' Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex  
Active in 1868, conductor James Tidswell
- London Tramways Band**  
Active in the 1930s
- London Victoria Amateurs Brass Band**  
See: *Victoria Rifle Volunteers Band*
- London Works Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire  
Active in 1867, 1868
- London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Locomotive Department Brass Band** - New Cross, Kent  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor M.B. Ginman in 1900
- London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Operatives Literary Society Brass Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
Active in 1862
- London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Signalmen's Brass Band**  
Active in 1891 when it regularly played in Battersea Park.
- London, Midland and Scottish Band**  
See: *L.M.S. Band*
- London, Midland and Scottish Railway Band**  
See: *L.M.S. Band*
- Londonderry Bottle Works Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Seaham Harbour Bottle Works Band*
- Londonderry Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1856
- Londonderry Workshops Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Seaham Harbour Bottle Works Band*
- Long Ashton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1860s
- Long Bredy Brass Band** - Dorset  
Formed in 1921
- Long Buckby Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1867, conductor Frederick March. Members included Jack Hill, Sam Warren, Tom Watkin, Bill Letts, Jack Eyre, Bill Wills, Den Clifton, Jeff Leson, Levi Mason, Ted Mason and George Kennell
- Long Buckby Excelsior Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1891
- Long Buckby Home Guard Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1940 by the merger of Long Buckby Temperance Silver Prize Band and Long Buckby Town Band. After the war, it merged with the Daventry Town Band to form Daventry and District Silver Band.

### **Long Buckby Sanders Independence Band**

See: *Sanders Independence Band*

### **Long Buckby Temperance Silver Prize Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1884 as a drum and fife band by George York, W. Blincow, J. Faulkner and W. Green. Had converted to all-brass by the end of the 1880s. Played as part of the celebrations for the visit to Northampton of His Majesty King George V and Her Majesty Queen Mary on Tuesday the 23rd September 1913 - at Far Cotton. Competitions were attended and prizes won with brass instruments bound with waxed ends of shoemaker's threads and leaks stuffed with soap or some such material. At the height of their competitive success (from 1898 to 1904) a little fellow used to stand on a soap box in order that he might see the music in order to play his cornet solo. This little chap was George York junior, the son of the founder of the band (and conductor of the band in 1940). It merged with Long Buckby Town Band in 1940 to form the Long Buckby Home Guard Band.

### **Long Buckby Temperance Society Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1867

### **Long Buckby Town Band**

See: *Sanders Independence Band*

### **Long Clawson Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from 1868 to the 1930s

### **Long Clawson Temperance Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1889, secretary T. Huckerby

### **Long Crendon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1840s to the 1900s

### **Long Crendon Excelsior Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1890s

### **Long Downs Brass Band** - Cornwall

Long Downs is situated about 5 miles North West of Falmouth and in 1881 a band of that name played at a Wesleyan Sunday school procession and tea treat in Porkellis. At present no more is known about this group either before or after this event.

### **Long Eaton British Legion Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

### **Long Eaton Good Templar Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1870s, re-organised in 1881 as Long Eaton Temperance Brass Band, still active in the 1890s

### **Long Eaton Mission Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1882

### **Long Eaton Mount Tabor Band**

See: *Mount Tabor Band*

### **Long Eaton Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1906

### **Long Eaton Temperance Brass Band**

See: *Long Eaton Good Templar Band*

### **Long Eaton Town Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s. Folded some time before the current Long Eaton Band was formed in 1906

**Long Itchington Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor S. Chater in 1883, W.E. Chater in 1907, Mr Priest in 1924. Still active in 1927

**Long Itchington Excelsior Band**

See: *Long Itchington Brass Band*

**Long Itchington Silver Band**

See: *Long Itchington Brass Band*

**Long Lawford Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Long Lea Valley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in 1963. Still active in the 1990s

**Long Marston Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active from the 1910s to the 1940s

**Long Melford and Sudbury Brass Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Long Melford Silver Band*

**Long Melford Brass Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Long Melford Silver Band*

**Long Melford Silver Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1894 - Former names: Long Melford Brass Band (to 1949)

Long Melford and Sudbury Brass Band (early 1950s). (c1900 to 1911 attached to the Suffolk Regiment 2nd Volunteer Battalion (TA), and became the band of 'C' company)

**Long Preston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Long Stratton Brass Band (1)** - Norfolk

Active in 1841

**Long Stratton Brass Band (2)** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s

**Long Sutton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1860, public debut on Christmas Eve 1860. Active into the 1870s

**Long Sutton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1890s, conductor F. Burt.

**Longannet Colliery Band** - Cowdenbeath,

See: *Cowdenbeath Brass Band*

**Longbridge Deverill Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1855 to 1868, and the 1940s

**Longden Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Longford Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1855 to 1866

**Longford Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1859

**Longford Hall Mission Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to 1930s. It was re-organised in 1905, conductor H. Yarwood

**Longford Star Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1880s. Competed in a brass band contest at Bedworth in 1888

**Longford Union Place Military Band** - Warwickshire

Competed in a brass band contest at Bedworth in 1888

**Longhirst Brass Band** - Northumberland

Founded in 1860 or 1861. Active to the late 1880s. Conductor J. Ponton and secretary T. Fornear in 1873

**Longhope Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1928, secretary Harold Brains. In 1931, conductor G. Bullock

**Longland Brass**

See: *Kent's Works Silver Band*

**Longnor Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1867 to 1870. Conductor Joseph Woolley in 1867

**Longridge Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1845 - Former names: National School Band, Longridge Brass Band (1846), Longridge Rifle Band (1866-1871), Temperance Band of St Lawrence's Longridge (1883), St Lawrence Prize Band (1898), Longridge Subscription Prize Band (1920), Longridge Prize Band (c.1945-c.1967) - Note: The band started out as The National School Band in 1845 and as school boys grow and leave school, the following year had become The Longridge Brass Band. Some time around 1866 they became The Longridge Rifle Band, no doubt lured by the use of a drill hall and some form of uniform. In or around 1871 the Army was more demanding of its associates and so they reverted to being Longridge Brass Band. In 1883 they once again became formally associated with the Church of England (St Lawrence's) and paraded under the doubtful title of The Temperance Band of St Lawrence's Longridge. 1898 was the year they first used the title St Lawrence's Prize Band and in 1920 became Longridge Subscription Prize Band. They remained associated with St Lawrence's until at least 1935. Following the end of hostilities they used the title Longridge Prize Band until at least 1967 and at some time after that became The Longridge Band. It would be reasonable to assume that the move towards the Church of England in the late 1870's caused certain members of the Roman persuasion to form their own band and so from 1878 until 1880 there was The Alston Lane Ends Brass Band. Reasonable because all there is at Alston Lane Ends is the Catholic Church

**Longridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**Longridge Rifle Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**Longridge St Lawrence Band** - Lancashire

See: *St Lawrence Silver Prize Band*

**Longridge Subscription Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**Longriggend Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Longsight Steam Sheds Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Longton Borough Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s

**Longton Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1872

**Longton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Longton Saxhorn Band*

**Longton Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1840s to 1869. Conductor Mr Colclough in 1856, Mr Hilton in 1869

**Longton St Andrew's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Longton St James' Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s

**Longton Subscription Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1901, secretary R. Walmsley

**Longton Town Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Co-operative Society Prize Band (Burslem and District)*

**Longton Victoria Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1888

**Longton Zion Sabbath School Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1868, conductor R. Rigby

**Longtown Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1860, treasurer James Carruthers (ironmonger). Conductor P. McMillan in 1865.

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Prosser in 1904, and 1910 when Jas. Bell was secretary.

In 1914 the secretary was William Bell

**Longtown Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Founded in early 1862. Still active in 1867

**Longwith Band**

Competed at the Crystal Palace in 1920

**Longwood Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1861 to 1865

**Lonsdale Scouts and Guides Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Looe Town Band** - Cornwall

Looe does have a history of "on/off" bands, starting with the Volunteer Artillery Band (1865-1907). Even this unit, on several occasions, had no band. Town Band conductor Mr Mitchell in 1902 when they received new instruments. Even so, from 1907 to 1912, there does appear to be two bands in town, the Artillery and a town band, probably because most players played in both bands. Certainly the town band, in 1907, were efficient enough to play such items as the overture "Tancredi". A photo of the band of this period shows 24 players, among whom were five clarinets and one flute/piccolo. An impressive size for a Cornish band of this period. The town band was led by AR Mitchell. After 1912 nothing can be found of an active band, though there are several attempts to reform between the wars - all to no avail.

**Lord Donington's Private Band** - Castle Donington, Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Lord Lawson School Brass Band** - Birtley, Durham

One of the most successful school brass bands, active in the 1970s. It unfortunately folded once its conductor Mr Bruce Wigham left, in 1986.

**Lord Londesborough's Brass Band** - Seamer, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1853, and 1854, when it performed at Grimston Park, near Tadcaster.

**Lord Londesborough's St Ursula Yacht Brass Band** - Seamer, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Lord Londesborough's Brass Band*

**Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band** - Silksworth, Durham

Formed in 1884, the band was one of the oldest in the area. Known as Silksworth Temperance Band. Brass Band players are notorious for liking the odd pint and so it was obvious the temperance tag wouldn't last. Therefore in 1905 (or 1908?), the band became the Silksworth Colliery Band, a name they carried proudly for over 80 years. Conductor T. Coulson 1908-1933. When the colliery closed, Vaux Brewery became the band's first ever sponsor, with the band renamed as the Vaux Samson Band. This was not to last, however, as Vaux itself closed in 1999. The band was then sponsored by Pride Valley Foods and adopted the new title of Pride Valley Brass, only to disband in 2005.

**Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *RMT Silksworth Band*

**Lord Yarborough's Brocklesby Yeomanry Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1845

**Lord's Hill Brass Band**

See: *Lordshill Brass Band*

**Lordshill Brass Band** - Snailbeach, Shropshire

Active in 1912

**Loscoe Miners Welfare Silver Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Lossiemouth Artillery Band** - Morayshire

Active in the 1880s

**Lostock Hall Memorial Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1948 - Former names: Four Lane Ends Band

**Lostock Industrial School Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

The school was opened at Lostock Junction in 1870. For a time one of the teachers at the Industrial School took to teaching the boys music and formed a band. The band was short lived around the 1900's.

**Lostock Junction Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1902, when they headed a procession through Chew Moor.

**Lostock Mill Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor Mr Range in 1881

**Lostwithiel Borough Band**

See: *Lostwithiel Brass Band*

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See: *Lostwithiel Brass Band*

**Lostwithiel Brass 88** - Cornwall

Formed in 1988, folded before 1996 when the current Lostwithiel Town Band was formed.

**Lostwithiel Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1880s to WW2. Conductor Mr Prideaux in 1898, W. Stevens in 1939

**Lostwithiel Silver Band** - Cornwall

Formed after WW2, folded in the mid 1980s

**Lostwithiel Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**Lothersdale Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s, conductor J.H. Proctor.

**Loudon Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in 1910

**Loudon Square Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in 1902, conductor A.J. Moore.

**Loudoun Academy Brass Band** - Galston, Ayrshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. See also Loudoun Brass Band

**Loudoun Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Originally consisted of players from Loudoun Academy Band but became a separate organisation in 1974. In 1990, it amalgamated with Newmilns Burgh Band and Galston Burgh Band, to form the current Newmilns and Galston Band

**Loudoun Youth Band**

See: *Loudon Academy Brass Band*

**Loughborough Borough Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1880s to WW1. Conductor A. Woodcock in 1900

**Loughborough Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Loughborough Juvenile Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1851, conductor J. Onion

**Loughborough Silver Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Loughborough Town Silver Band*

**Loughborough Town Silver Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1940s to the 1990s

**Loughborough Youth Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1960s to the 1980s

**Loughor Excelsior Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Formed in 1873. Disbanded 1918. The Loughor Excelsior Brass Band was formed under the baton of William Dennis in 1873. Very little is known of those early years, but the band would have featured prominently in the entertainment of the villagers and at ceremonial functions, funerals, outdoor marches and concerts. A balance sheet for 31st December, 1902 mentions that new silver plated instruments had been bought for £318 from Messrs. Boosey and Co. Military Band Instrument Manufacturers, Regent Street, London. The officers were obliged to pay the amount in full within three years. In the summer of 1903 under the baton of Mr. Bleddyn Dennis, the band earned itself the title of a Silver Band Prize. Competing at Llanelly, the Loughor players emerged as winners of the prestigious Challenge Shield of the West Wales Association. Each summer at the Loughor Regatta, the Silver Band was always present to provide suitable music of an entertaining nature. With the outbreak of the War in Europe in 1914, Mr. Bleddyn Dennis joined the Swansea Police Band, to become its conductor, but left in 1912 for New Zealand. The trenches of France denied the village of its young men, who joined the Welsh Regiments as infantry men. Thus after 1918 enthusiasm waned and the organisation folded. The drum and sticks were preserved until 1938 when they were given to the Salvation Army Band in Gorseinon.

**Loughor Rechabite Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1900s

**Loughor Town Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1995



### **Loughton Brass Band**

See: *Loughton Excelsior Brass Band*

### **Loughton Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex

Formed in 1888, conductor C. Wilmer. Active through to the 1920s. They would perform at the drinking fountain at the corner of High Road and Station Road, Loughton.

Conductor Thomas Bidgood in 1899

### **Louth Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1840s to the 1860s

### **Louth Mission Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1910s to the 1920s

### **Louth Riverhead Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1935

### **Low Bentham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1870

### **Low Moor Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s to the 1860s. Consisted exclusively of workmen from the Low Moor Ironworks

### **Low Moor Ironworks Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1857. Conductor J. Rhodes in 1860.

### **Low Moor L.M.S. Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

### **Low Row and Feetham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1892

### **Low Row Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1861

### **Low Spennymoor Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1875

### **Lowca Brass Band**

See: *Lowca Colliery Band*

### **Lowca Colliery Band** - Whitehaven, Cumberland

Active in the 1890s and from the 1930s to the 1960s

### **Lower Annandale Band** - Annan, Dumfriesshire

Active from 1830s to 1850s at least

### **Lower Ince Temperance Band** - Wigan, Lancashire

Formed in August 1894. Still active in the late 1960s

### **Lower Moss Lane Mission Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1904

### **Lower Norwood Industrial School Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1861. This was a workhouse school operated by the Lambeth Board of Guardians, located in Elder Road, West Norwood. Still active in 1866

### **Lower Place Band**

See: *Lowerplace Brass Band*

### **Lower Union Street Mission Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1932

### **Lower Wallop Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Nether Wallop Brass Band*

- Lower Winchendon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1885
- Lower Withington Band** - Cheshire  
[current band]
- Lowerhouse Mills Silver Band** - Burnley, Lancashire  
Formed around 1920 by Burnley councillor Captain Sherston. Disbanded in 1938.
- Lowerhouses Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1854
- Lowerplace Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s and the 1940s
- Lowestoft Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Formed in 1851. Still active in 1855
- Lowestoft British Legion Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1930s
- Lowestoft Railway Silver Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1910. Bandmaster or Band Chairman was John Bultitude.
- Lowestoft Town Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active from the 1950s. In 1979 it changed name to Gunton Hall Silver Band. Folded in the late 1980s or early 1990s
- Lowland Engineers Brass Band** - Rutherglen, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Lowton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1865. Their practices were in the Jolly Carter Inn at Lowton. When the Railway Inn was built at Robin Hood, the band moved into new headquarters behind it and practised there for over 50 years. During this time the name was changed to Leigh Borough Band. New headquarters were bought in 1956 and the name was changed back to Lowton Silver Band. The band broke up in 1965 due to a lack of players, but a trust was set up in the hope of it being reformed. Tom Burke was a member of Leigh Borough Band and in 1904 was promoted to 1st cornet player. He won a silver medal for his cornet playing.
- Loxley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Loxley Silver Band*
- Loxley Methodist Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Loxley Silver Band*
- Loxley Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Loxley Wesleyan Brass Band, Loxley Methodist Silver Prize Band
- Loxley Wesleyan Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Loxley Silver Band*
- Loyal Harmonic Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1850
- Loyal Order of Ancient Shepherd's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
Active in 1860, conductor J. Witham, leader S. Simpson. Became the 18th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Brass Band in 1862
- Loyal Osborne Brass Band** - Wisbech, Cambridgeshire  
Founded in 1862

**Loyal Saffron Walden Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Saffron Walden Brass Band*

**Loyal St George Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Bristol St George's Brass Band*

**Lubenham Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1850

**Luckett's Travel (Southsea) Band**

See: *Southsea Silver Band*

**Lucton School Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Luddenden and Luddenden Foot Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1891

**Luddenden Foot Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor A. Harwood in 1860, Mr Kershaw in 1869

**Luddenden Old Band**

See: *Oats Royd Mills Brass Band*

**Ludford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1862, leader William Rowson

**Ludgershall Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1867

**Ludgvan Brass Band** - Cornwall

Back in 1850 the local Wesleyan Sunday school procession was headed by "the well known Ludgvan Band of Musicians". At this very early date, especially for Cornwall, I would hazard a guess that this was not a brass band but it very soon became one. It seems to have carried on until 1889, then twenty years later a Ludgvan Brass Band, under R T Williams re-energised, but for how long is not clear. Certainly in the 1920s the band existed under the baton of Mr R Taylor, the band sporting 15 players. What happened after that is another Cornish mystery.

**Ludlow Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s. Conductor Mr Price in 1859

**Ludlow School Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1980s

**Ludlow Town Band (1)** - Shropshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s

**Ludlow Town Band (2)** - Shropshire

Formed in the early 1970s and folded around 2000.

**Luffenham Brass Band** - Rutland

Active in 1857 to 1864. Conductor Mr Rose in 1863

**Lugar Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1863

**Lugar Silver Band** - Ayrshire

Active from the early 1900s to the 1920s

**Luke Turner's Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

See: *Messrs Luke Turner and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Lumb Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active through the 1860s. Michael Barlow was the leader in 1863. Conductor John Lord in 1866

**Lumb Foot Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Lumbfoot Brass Band*

**Lumbfoot Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the late 1850s, when members of the Ponden Band joined it. At that time the Lumbfoot Band consisted of fifteen or sixteen young men, most of whom worked in the mill, and Messrs. Butterfield Brothers let them have the dining room to play in. The band was still active into the 1870s

**Lumley (6th Pit) Colliery Band**

See: *Lumley Colliery Band*

**Lumley and New Lambton Colliery** - Durham

Active in 1922

**Lumley Bethel Band** - Durham

Active around 1970

**Lumley Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1870s to 1900s. Conductor R. Hewitson in 1883

**Lumley Church Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1960 or 1963 - Former names: Lumley Methodist Church Brass Band

**Lumley Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Won the Cassell's Shield at the Crystal Palace in 1928. Still active in 1964, but folded later in the 1960s.

**Lumley Colliery Silver Prize Band**

See: *Lumley Colliery Band*

**Lumley Methodist Church Brass Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Lumley Church Brass Band*

**Lumley Temperance Band**

See: *Lumley Brass Band*

**Lumley Town Band** - Durham

Active in 1928

**Lundin Mill and Largo Brass Band** - Fife

Formed around 1883

**L'Union Musicale** - Isle of Jersey

[previous name of current band] See: *Band of the Island of Jersey*

**Luppitt Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1852

**Lupton Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Hutton Roof and Lupton Brass Band*

**Luton Alliance Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1850s, conductor George Bryer, and in 1879, when they advertised for a Solo Cornet player, annual salary £20. Conductor C. Spratley in 1894. Still active in 1897.

**Luton Band** - Bedfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1883 - Former names: Ashton Street Mission Band (to 1890), Luton Red Cross Band (to 1931 ? asked to change its name following the formal adoption of "Red Cross" as the military medical services emblem at the Geneva Convention in 1929), Deritend Luton Band (1988-1988) - Note: Other related bands: St Albans City Band

**Luton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Founded in 1859. By September that year they had commenced practicing, and sought subscriptions to purchase further instruments. A successor band was formed in 1883

**Luton Excelsior Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1870s

**Luton Public Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1930s

**Luton Red Cross Band** - Bedfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Luton Band*

**Luton Town Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Luton Volunteers Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1863, and also in the 1890s and 1900s

**Luton Wesleyan Central Mission Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

See: *Wesleyan Central Mission Brass Band*

**Luton Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Founded in December 1867, with instruments costing £30, based at the club in King Street. Still active in 1869

**Lutterworth Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1840s to the late 1860s. Conductor G. Vears in 1858 also playing the cornet-a-piston. A successor band was formed in 1881

**Lutterworth Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1881 by George Vears, making their first appearance in public at the Association for Prosecution of Felons annual dinner. Active to WW1. A. Wheeler conductor in 1896, R.W. Illiff conductor in 1907.

**Lutterworth Town Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Lutterworth Town Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in the early 1950s, folded in the 1960s. A successor band was formed in 1982.

**Lutterworth Wycliffe Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s, conductor A. Wheeler in 1897.

**Lutton Brass Band**

See: *West Lutton Brass Band*

**Lybster Brass Band** - Caithness

Active in 1868

**Lycett Mission Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Lydbrook Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1923 - Former names: Lydbrook Junior Reed and Brass Band, Lydbrook Onward Band, Lydbrook Silver Band - Note: Formed by merger of Lydbrook Junior Reed and Brass Band, The Arthur and England Band and Lydbrook Excelsior Band to form Lydbrook Onward Band

**Lydbrook Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1860s to WW1.

**Lydbrook Excelsior Band** - Gloucestershire

Earlier known as Lydbrook Morgan's Band in the 1880s, renamed as the Excelsior Band in 1900. Merged with the Trafalgar Colliery Band in 1905, becoming (Lydbrook) Trafalgar Brass Band.

**Lydbrook Junior Reed and Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lydbrook Band*

**Lydbrook Morgan's Band**

See: *Lydbrook Excelsior Band*

**Lydbrook Onward Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lydbrook Band*

**Lydbrook Onward Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1920s to the 1940s

**Lydbrook Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lydbrook Band*

**Lydbrook Tin Plate Works Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1882.

**Lydbrook Trafalgar Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Trafalgar Colliery Band*

**Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1865

**Lydeard St Lawrence Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1868

**Lydford Town Band**

Active in 1895

**Lydgate Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Lydiard Millicent Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1913

**Lydlinch Brass Band** - Dorset

Formed in 1879, bandmaster Henry Mogg. Still active in 1885

**Lydmet Lydney Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Lydney Town Band*

**Lydney Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Founded in 1882, conductor George Palmer. Disbanded prior to 1892 when the current Lydney Town Band was formed.

**Lydney Excelsior Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Lydney Mission Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Founded around 1902

**Lydney Town Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1892 - Former names: Lydney Town Band, Lydney Town Silver Prize Band (to 1989), Lydmet Lydney Band (to 2007)

**Lye Town Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1906

**Lye Waste Brass Band** - Lye, Worcestershire

Active in 1854

- Lyham Road Hall Mission Band** - Brixton, Surrey  
Active around 1900
- Lyme Regis Town Band** - Dorset  
[current band] - Founded in 1981
- Lyme Regis Town Band** - Dorset  
Active from the 1890s. It disbanded in the early 1950s. A successor band was formed in 1981.
- Lyminge Silver Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1910s to the 1930s. The band stored its instruments in the hall of the Methodist Church, which was completely destroyed by a direct hit in World War II, and all instruments lost, which must have been a bitter financial blow.
- Lymington Borough Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Lymington Town Band*
- Lymington Borough Military Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Lymington Town Band*
- Lymington Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1840 through to 1871
- Lymington Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Lymington Town Band*
- Lymington Town and Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Lymington Town Band*
- Lymington Town and Volunteer Band** - Hampshire  
See: *Lymington Town Band*
- Lymington Town Band** - Hampshire  
Founded in 1883 as Lymington Town and Volunteer Band. In 1885 it became A Company 4th Voluntary Battalion Hampshire Regiment Brass Band. Later known as Lymington Town Band, then Lymington Town Prize Band. It was a military band in instrumentation in the early 1900s (not known if it ever converted to all brass). Still active in 1911 when Arthur Percival Cooper Hewitt was the secretary. Still active in 1938.
- Lymm Brass Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Lymm Subscription Band*
- Lymm British Legion Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1932
- Lymm Subscription Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Lymm Temperance Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Lymm Working Men's Sax-horn Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1855, conductor Mr Bartle
- Lympstone Amateur Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1844
- Lympstone Brass Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *South West Comms Band*
- Lympstone Silver Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *South West Comms Band*
- Lympstone Southwest Telecomms Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *South West Comms Band*

**Lyncombe and Widcombe Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1887 and 1888

**Lyncombe Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Lyncombe and Widcombe Brass Band*

**Lyndhurst Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1860s through to the 1900s. Conductor E. Bull in 1889 and 1900

**Lyneham Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1863, 1911. Conductor Mr Walker in 1867

**Lynemouth and Ellington Silver Prize Band** - Northumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Northumbrian Water Ellington Colliery Band*

**Lynemouth Colliery Band**

See: *Newbiggin Colliery Band*

**Lynn Brass Band** - Kings Lynn, Norfolk

Active in 1850

**Lynn Original Brass Band** - Kings Lynn, Norfolk

See: *Lynn Working Men's Saxhorn Band*

**Lynn Working Men's Saxhorn Band** - Kings Lynn, Norfolk

Active between 1854 and 1866. Josiah H Reddie was a founder member.

**Lynton and Lynmouth Brass Band** - Devon

Active from the late 1860s, conductor E.E. Hodges in 1884, E. Harding in 1898. Also known as Lynton Victoria Brass Band. Still active in 1902, disbanding some time before 1910 when a successor band was formed. (It probably disbanded in the 1870s, reforming in the early 1880s under E. Hodges, but there is no direct evidence of this)

**Lynton Brass Band (1)** - Devon

See: *Lynton and Lynmouth Brass Band*

**Lynton Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in 1910, bandmaster W. Rumsam. Still active in 1915. Probably folded during WW1. A successor band was formed in the 1930s

**Lynton Brass Band (3)** - Devon

Formed around 1934, conductor Hedley Parker. Still active in 1939

**Lynton Victoria Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Lynton and Lynmouth Brass Band*

**Lysaght's Orb Works Brass Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire

Formed under Bandmaster Jack Marsh when the men returned from the Great War, and the first parade was at the reunion at Somerton Park in 1919. Mr. A. Leyshon (late of New Tredegar and Cwm Prize Bands), who has a lifetime experience of first-class contesting was placed in charge in 1924, since when the band has been known as "The Newport Popular Band" and are regularly engaged for the important events in Monmouthshire and adjoining counties. Their repertoire consists of the works of all the great masters and they can be guaranteed to give a programme suitable to any occasion. Mr. Fred Pugh and Mr. Brad. Shergold are the only members who were members at the time of its formation. Mr. Owen Davies has been the Hon. Secretary for the past seven years. As reward for perseverance and success, Mr. W. R. Lysaght has presented them with a very comprehensive Coronation gift of new instruments and uniforms. (Report by Owen Davies, Band Secretary, 1937)



**Lysaght's St Vincent's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s. Formed by men in the employ of Messrs Lysaght & Co. (a.k.a. J. Lysaght's)

**Lysaght's Steel Works Brass Band** - Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire

See: *Normanby Park Steelworks Brass Band*

**Lytchett Matravers Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1890s. Conductor N. Edwards in 1894

**Lytchett Minster Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1885

**Lytham Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851

**Lytham British Legion Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1936

**Lytham Volunteer Band 2nd East Lancs Regiment** - Lancashire

Active in 1897

**M. and S.W. Athletic Club Brass Band**

See: *Midland and South Western Junction Railway Band*

**M. and S.W.J.R. Works Band**

See: *Midland and South West Junction Railway Works Band*

**M. S. and L. Railway Brass Band**

See: *Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Brass Band*

**M.T.T. Band (Hackney, South Australia)**

Active in 1925

**Mabe Brass Band** - Cornwall

A band typical of their time (sometimes known as Mabe Burnt House Band). Found three or four miles North West of Falmouth, we know they were formed just before 1882 by a Mr Rapson (jun), later disbanded then reformed in 1911 ready for the Coronation. Who conducted them at this stage is not known but after WW1, in 1919, J Thomas was appointed to conduct. In 1931-32 they had H Jenkins who handed over to W H A Starke, who was relieved in 1933 by C A Dawes who gave the job back to W H A Starke in 1934, who in turn handed it all back to C A Dawes in 1936. In 1938 he gave the baton to the bands' 1919 conductor Mr J Thomas. They carried out regular contesting in the 30's, the best result being taken at Falmouth in 1936, playing the 4th section test "The Spirit of Youth." A 1933 photo shows a band with a healthy 21 players. The bands was still active in the late 1940s

**Mabe Burnt House Band**

See: *Mabe Brass Band*

**Macclesfield Brass Band**

See: *Macclesfield Harmonic Brass Band*

**Macclesfield Harmonic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1840s to 1860s

**Macclesfield Industrial School Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s, bandmaster Mr Knutton. The school was founded in 1858, with a permanent building being erected in 1866 at Turnock Street. The bandroom could also serve as an infirmary if necessary.

**Macclesfield Old Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Upson in 1904

**Macclesfield Silver Band** - Cheshire

See: *Macclesfield Town Band*

**Macclesfield Town Band** - Cheshire

Active 1915 to 1968

**Machno Vale Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

In all probability, the band started around 1830 in Cwm Penmachno. At the time the quarries of the area were strong, no doubt providing several members for the band. At one time there were buildings in Swch Cwm and there was one room between the Co-op and Swch's stable that was used as a meeting place for the young people of the area. The band took this room over and practised there from 1902 until the 1940's. The bandmaster Robert Thomas (Richie Thomas' father) was also a member of a band from Llan Ffestiniog and turned down an offer to play in the Black Dykes band in favour of conducting the local band.

**Machynlleth Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. A "new" brass band was formed in the town in 1860/1861

**Machynlleth Town Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Mackworth Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1904, secretary R. Johnson, bandmaster Mr Baurer

**Mactaggart Scott Loanhead Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1943 - Former names: MacTaggart Scott Works Band

**MacTaggart Scott Works Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Mactaggart Scott Loanhead Band*

**Madeley Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1860

**Madeley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1855

**Madeley Silver Band**

See: *Madeley Town Band*

**Madeley Town Band** - Shropshire

The Band led the Broseley Friendly Society Parade, in aid of the Hospitals in 1906. From the Wellington Journal and Shrewsbury News, 25th September 1909: "Broseley Hospital Sunday - After the church service the Madeley Town Band gave a selection of music on the Memorial Green, as well as the Jackfield Band." The old Three Horseshoes pub in Madeley Market Square was the largest pub in Madeley, and was the headquarters of the Madeley Band. In 1911 the Madely Town Prize Brass Band was refused the right to bear the title "Royal". Still active in 1950

**Maden Recreation Ground Band** - Bacup, Lancashire

Formed around 1903, bandmaster W.H. Brearley

**Madron British Legion Band** - Cornwall

This band, a mile or two from Penzance, occupied the scene from about 1930 to 1939. Contesting seems to have happened only in 1933 under their then conductor, Mr A P Richards, during which, at Redruth Contest, they came first for Department.

**Maelor Brass Band**

Active in 1891

**Maerdy Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Formed in the 1920s. Active into the 1930s. Conductor Griffith Evans, who composed the "Maerdy March"

**Maesteg Catholic Band**

See: *Maesteg League of the Cross Band*

**Maesteg Hibernia Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the early 1900s to the 1920s, contemporary with the Maesteg League of the Cross Band. Conductor Beth David in 1924

**Maesteg League of the Cross Band** - Glamorgan

Formed around 1905, conductor Mr Jury.

**Maesteg Roman Catholic Band**

See: *Maesteg League of the Cross Band*

**Maesteg Town Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1889, 1911 and 1948

**Maesteg Volunteer Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Magdalen and District Silver Band** - Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen, Norfolk

Magdalen and District Band was formed in 1948 when Eric Bell, a member of the St Germans band, called a meeting to see if there was any interest in forming a band for the village. Among the keen youngsters at that first meeting was 11-year-old Maurice Gent, was a member until the band folded in 2009. The early meetings were held in a coal shed where Maurice Gent, and fellow members Alwyn Pruden, Peter Youngs and Cecil Star sat on a bunker to learn their new art. As time went on more lads joined them. To start with the four lads had just two instruments to share - a cornet and a tenor horn - but as the band and its committee grew, more instruments were eventually bought. A women's committee was formed to help with the fundraising while the men's committee concentrated on the music. The band had its last engagement in summer 2008.

**Magdalen Road P.S.A. Band** - Norwich, Norfolk

Active in 1906

**Magnum Brass Band** - Hade Edge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874. Based at the Magnum Quarry at Hade Edge

**Maiden Bradley Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1858 to 1864

**Maiden Newton Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1860s to 1920s. Conductor Joseph Yeates in 1878

**Maidenhead Amateur Brass Band** - Berkshire

See: *Maidenhead Brass Band (2)*

**Maidenhead Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire

Active from 1855 to 1858. Conductor William Burnham in 1855

**Maidenhead Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire

Founded in 1866, conductor Mr Parker. First public appearance in May 1866. Active through to the early 1900s

**Maidenhead Primitive Methodist Brass Band**

See: *Maidenhead Wesleyan Mission Brass Band*

**Maidenhead Rechabite Brass Band** - Berkshire

Founded in 1885, conductor J. Pearson.

**Maidenhead Silver Band**

See: *Maidenhead Town Band*

**Maidenhead Town Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s to 1920s. Conductor L.P. Connor in 1899

**Maidenhead Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1892

**Maids Moreton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1891

**Maidstone Borough Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1909

**Maidstone Boys Technical School Band** - Kent

Active in the 1970s

**Maidstone Corporation Brass Band** - Kent

Active around 1900, conductor C.J. Lomas in 1901. Still active in 1917

**Maidstone Depot Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the late 1840s and early 1850s

**Maidstone Invicta Brass Band** - Kent

Active from 1900, conductor Mr Manning in 1906

**Maidstone Trinity Brass**

See: *Trinity Brass*

**Maindee Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Maindee Excelsior Band**

See: *Maindee Brass Band*

**Mainsforth Colliery and Tursdale Workshops Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Ferryhill Town Band*

**Mainsforth Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Ferryhill Town Band*

**Malden and Coombe Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s

**Maldon Brass Band** - Essex

Active from the early 1870s, conductor Mr Allen in 1886. Still active in 1893

**Malinbridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Malinslee and St George's Brass Band**

See: *Malinslee Brass Band*

**Malinslee Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active from 1862 to the 1870s. Conductor Richard Millington in 1863, John Simpson in 1869

**Malleable Iron Works Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

See: *Stockton Malleable Band (1)*

**Malling and District Youth Band** - Kent

Active in the 1980s

**Malling Town Band** - Kent

Active in the 1930s

**Malmesbury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Malmesbury Town Band*

**Malmesbury Town Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1859. In 1877 it led the procession to the new station to meet the inaugural train. In 1945 its instruments were sold. A successor concert band was formed in the town c.1990

**Malpas Town Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1919 to 1940. For further details see "Malpas Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Maltby Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Maltby Miners Welfare Band*

**Maltby Main St John Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Maltby Miners Welfare Band*

**Maltby Miners St John Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Maltby Miners Welfare Band*

**Maltby Miners Welfare Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1910 - Former names: Maltby Main St John Ambulance Band, Maltby Miners St John Ambulance Band, Maltby Miners Welfare Band, Maltby Colliery Band

**Malton Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed by John Gibson in 1877 and folded in 1884.

**Malton and Drifffield Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1845, also known as Wolds Brass Band

**Malton and Norton Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor H. Milburn in 1860

**Malton and Norton United Band**

See: *Malton and Norton Saxhorn Band*

**Malton Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Malton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1896

**Malton Brass or Mixed Wind Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active between 1837 and 1855

**Malton Messenger Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1857 by Henry Smithson, proprietor of the "Malton Messenger" newspaper. Made first public appearance on 16th October that year conducted by Mr Milburn of Leeds. In August 1858 played in Longster's Orchard, Malton accompanying dancers at the Malton Regatta. Some of the original bandsmen included Will Foster, Hardwick Spurr, John, George and Thomas Leefe, John Morrit, John Stamper, John Bull, Tindal Clarke, John Hudson, Robert Taylor, Bob Piercy and Tom Allison. In 1860 the band was conducted by Mr Jennison of Norton and was renamed the Malton Rifle Volunteers Band. John Gibson became conductor in 1862 and served until 1877, when he left to form his own band, Malton Amateur Brass Band. The band was then conducted by JF Drake until Gibson's return in 1884. In 1887 a revolt among the band led to a mass resignation from the Volunteers and the band was restyled the "New Malton Town Band". JW Marshall was conductor of the band in 1899 and the band was still in existence in 1902.

**Malton Rifle Volunteers Band (1)**

See: *Malton Messenger Saxhorn Band*

**Malton Rifle Volunteers Band (2)**

Formed in 1894 until it disbanded in 1899

**Malton Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Malton White Star Band*

**Malton Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1899 by William Gibson, with eleven players, including Tom Banks, Jack Haykings, Ernest Cartwright and Tom Tate Smith. In 1900 the band announced that it would henceforth be known as the Malton White Star Band - which still exists today.

**Malton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1857 by William Turner. Conductor H. Millburn in 1858. Active in the 1860s, conducted by Welford Gibson

**Malton White Star Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1899 - Former names: Malton Temperance Band (to 1900) - Note: Formed by William Gibson, with eleven players, including Tom Banks, Jack Haykings, Ernest Cartwright and Tom Tate Smith

**Malvern Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1877 to 1882. Also known as Malvern Recreation Brass Band

**Malvern Chase Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1968 - Former names: Chase High School Brass Band

**Malvern Hills District Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1979

**Malvern Imperial Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1930s

**Malvern Mechanics Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1877/79.

**Malvern Recreation Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Malvern Brass Band*

**Malvern Rhine Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1865

**Malvern Town Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Malvern Imperial Band*

**Malvern Wells Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1895

**Malvern Working Man's and Literary Institute Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Founded in June 1859, conductor F. Langdon

**Mamble Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1854

**Manaccan Band** - Cornwall

I have a record of a William Martin playing for Manaccan Band from 1873 - 1888. This is the only proof that I have that this outfit existed at that time. The other mention I have is in 1942, during WW2, when what was left of the band nipped across to help Gweek Band play at the Gweek Hospital Sunday. Manaccan has a most convoluted history starting off as Manaccan Band, then joining with St Martin Band in the 20's, then going it alone again for a while, then St Martin joining Manaccan sometime after 1926, remaining under the Manaccan title until their demise in 1946.

- Manchester and Salford Boys and Girls Refuges and Homes Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s. The homes were established from 1870 and comprised orphanages and home for a range of poor and convicted children.
- Manchester and Salford Postmen's Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1883, when some of its members played at the funeral of John Leah, trombonist in the Pendleton Brass Band.
- Manchester and Salford Reformatory for Boys Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Opened in 1867 on French Barn Lane, Blackley, closing in 1905. The band was active in the 1880s and 1890s.
- Manchester and Sheffield Railway Company Locomotive Band** - New Holland, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Manchester Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1851
- Manchester Boys Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1940s, post WW2.
- Manchester C.W.S. Tobacco Factory Band** - Lancashire  
See: *C.W.S. (Manchester) Band*
- Manchester Celtic Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1908, conductor Joseph Jessop
- Manchester Central Hall Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Central Hall Mission Band*
- Manchester Chronicle Employees Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Manchester City Police Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1880s
- Manchester City Royal Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from 1860 to the 1890s
- Manchester City Temperance Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1892
- Manchester Civil Defence Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1945
- Manchester Corporation (Water Street) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Corporation Cleansing Department Water Street Brass Band*
- Manchester Corporation Employees (Birchfields Road) Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Manchester Corporation Employees (Hyde Road) Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Manchester Corporation Tramways Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Manchester Excelsior Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1877
- Manchester Fire Brigade Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1950s
- Manchester Foresters' Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- Manchester G.P.O. Telegraph Messengers Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Manchester Telegraph Messengers Band*

**Manchester Jewish Brass Band** - Lancashire

Began as an activity of the Jewish Working Men's Club. Active in the 1910s/20s.  
Bandmaster was Mr Nolan in 1913

**Manchester Leisure Hour Band** - Lancashire

See: *Leisure Hour Brass Band*

**Manchester Midland Railway Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s, conductor Harry Carr in 1905

**Manchester Post Office Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Manchester Postal Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Manchester Post Office Brass Band*

**Manchester Postmen's Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Manchester Public Silver Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Manchester Ragged School Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Ardwick Green Industrial School Brass Band*

**Manchester Rechabite Pioneer Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Manchester Schools Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1960s

**Manchester Self Supporting Boys' Home Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Manchester Southern Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *South Manchester Brass Band*

**Manchester St Catherine's Band** - Lancashire

See: *St Catherine's Public Subscription Brass Band*

**Manchester Telegraph Messengers Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to 1920s

**Manchester Union Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1867

**Manchester United Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s

**Manchester Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851

**Manchester Victoria Hall Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Manchester Y.M.C.A. Band** - Lancashire

See: *Gravel Lane Methodist Band*

**Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Brass Band** - Gorton, Lancashire

Active from 1867 to the 1880s

**Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Brass Band** - Mexbrough, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

**Manea British Legion Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Manea Silver Band*



**Manea Excelsior Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Manea Silver Band*

**Manea Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Manea Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

Manea Silver Band was founded in 1882. For 50 years the band was recognised as one of the finest in the Fenland region, and in the first quarter of the twentieth century many prizes were won at local contests. Following the First World War the band was briefly known as Manea British Legion Band. The highest honour gained by the band was in 1924 when the band won first prize in its section at the Crystal Palace Brass Band contest. News of the band's success in London was allegedly sent home by carrier pigeon. The band continued to be successful until the 1960s, when falling membership and a lack of enthusiastic leadership lead to its cessation. Sadly, at that time many of the instruments were loaned to other bands in the area and no record was kept of their distribution. Much of the music, which was stored under the stage at the school, was eaten by mice and had to be destroyed. A successor band was formed in 1982

**Mangotsfield Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1856

**Manningham Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in November 1885 when it entertained the 7,000 crowd at the opening of a new stand at the Carlisle Road ground of Manningham Rugby Club. They were conducted by W. Atkinson at the Barnoldswick Contest in 1886. Later, in 1896, it serenaded the 8,000 crowd prior to the vital Rugby League game between Bradford City and Hull on 18 April. Still active in 1898

**Manningham Temperance Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Manningtree Albion Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1898, 1900

**Manningtree Brass Band (1)** - Essex

Active in 1866

**Manningtree Brass Band (2)** - Essex

Active in the 1930s. Took part in Great Bentley Brass Band Contest on 18 April 1938.

**Manningtree British Legion Band** - Essex

See: *Manningtree Brass Band (2)*

**Manningtree Xylonite Works Band** - Essex

See: *Xylonite Works Band*

**Manor Colliery Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s

**Manor House Works Brass Band** - Long Eaton, Derbyshire

Founded in 1865, conductor W. Watkins. Still active in 1866. This was based at Samuel John Claye's factory, built around the original Manor House, which manufactured railway wagons and rolling stock

**Mansfield Borough Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1960s. Conductor Sam Taylor in 1905

**Mansfield Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1856 to 1886

**Mansfield Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1900s to the 1960s. Led the 44th Annual Temperance procession on Whit Monday in 1915. Starting from Somercotes, a sea of banners, flags and gaily decorated floats proceeded through Leabrooks and Riddings, gathering strength as it marched, and parading the village of Ironville before winding its way up to the Jessop Monument in Codnor Park.

**Mansfield Excelsior Band** - Nottinghamshire

Founded in 1900. Active to the 1920s. Newspaper report from 25 May 1900:

“Celebrations for the relief of Mafeking included the display of Union Jacks outside shops, the wearing of patriotic favours by almost everybody, the playing of patriotic tunes in front of the Town Hall by the Mansfield Excelsior Band around 10pm, followed by an impromptu late-night”. Secretary F. Brooke in 1902. Conductor Mr Suttel in 1908

**Mansfield House Brass Band** - Plaistow, Essex

Founded in 1896, active into the 1900s. Mansfield House was established in 1884 as a residence for theological students, quickly developing into a large, thriving, male-orientated institution working in welfare, sporting, social, educational and political fields- with a close connection with the neighbouring Canning Town Women's Settlement. There was also an orchestra and glee society.

**Mansfield Juvenile Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1850

**Mansfield Mission Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1930s

**Mansfield Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1894

**Mansfield Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1899

**Mansfield United Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Mansfield Reporter - newspaper report from 6 July 1877: “Roller Skating Rink ..... The Mansfield United Brass Band was also present and contributed much to the pleasure of the proceedings by playing a selection of dance and operatic music.” As well as providing a skating area, the rink had another area where other entertainments took place. It opened on 24 June 1876 and closed sometime in the latter part of 1881. Band still active in 1884

**Mansfield Woodhouse Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1855 through to WW1

**Manvers and Barnburgh Band**

See: *Manvers Main Colliery Band*

**Manvers Main Ambulance Band**

See: *Manvers Main Colliery Band*

**Manvers Main Colliery Band** - Wath-on-Deerne, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1900s to the 1950s. Known as Manvers and Barnburgh Band from 1944 onwards.

**Maple Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

**Mapperley Colliery Ambulance Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s. J. Hancock secretary in 1936

### **Mapperley Colliery Brass Band**

See: *Mapperley Colliery Ambulance Band*

### **Mapplewell and Silkstone Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

### **Mapplewell Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1851 and 1871

### **Marazion Town Band** - Cornwall

3 to 4 miles east of Penzance, Marazion overlooks St Michael's Mount. In 1867 they were active, playing at the opening of a public building in Penzance. Later, in 1875, travelling to Redruth, they took part in a Temperance Fete. Not much more is heard about them until the run-up to WW1 and most unusually, they were active all through WW1 and WW2. The cessation of hostilities in 1945 also seems to have heralded their own end. Who conducted them in those very early days is not known; however, all during WW1 Alfred Floyd conducted (he had conducted the Marazion Artillery Volunteers from about 1909). 1919 - 1928 was the era of R J Berryman, he being relieved by George W Cave, who stayed just for two years (Cave had started his conducting career in about 1922 and became a most respected Cornish conductor, even conducting Coventry City during WW2). Edwin J Williams came for a year (1930/31) and he was taken over by Welshman Beth David, who stayed with the band until their demise in 1945. During WW2 he was also conducted the St Keverne Home Guard Band. He died in 1946, aged 76. From 1928 to 1935 the band entered various Cornish contests. Section 4 netted five 1sts, 4 2nds. and 6 3rds. Section 3 brought in one 1st, four 2nds, and one 3rd. A brief sojourn into Section 2 saw them awarded one 3rd. Their best musical period was, without a doubt, the mid 1930's.

### **Marbury Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1862

### **March Area Music Centre Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

### **March Brass 2000** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1891 - Former names: March Railway Silver Band (to 1999)

### **March Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in 1858 to 1865

### **March Imperial Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1920s

### **March Juvenile Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Founded in 1860. Active in 1861, conductor William Simmons

### **March Railway Servants Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1900s

### **March Railway Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

[previous name of current band] See: *March Brass 2000*

### **March Town Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1910 and 1930s to 1950s

### **March Volunteers Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Marchwood Brass** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *New Forest Brass Band*

**Marden Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1864 to 1868

**Mardon's Band**

See: *Bristol Britannia Band*

**Mardy Brass Band**

See: *Mardy Workingmen's Brass Band*

**Mardy House Secondary School Band** - Aberdare, Glamorgan

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Mardy Workingmen's Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Mareham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Mareham Le Fen Victory Silver Band*

**Mareham Le Fen Victory Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Mareham Le Fen Victory Brass Band (to 1928)

**Marehay Brass Band** - Ripley, Derbyshire

Active in 1899

**Margarine Works Brass Band** - Southall, Middlesex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. The Maypole Dairy margarine factory was established in 1894 by Otto Monsted, becoming one of the world's largest margarine manufacturing works.

**Margate Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Margate Town Brass Band*

**Margate Promenade Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1867

**Margate Silver Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Cantium Brass*

**Margate Town Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1857. Conductor Mr Marsh in 1859

**Margate Wesleyan Mission Band** - Kent

Active in the early 1900s

**Marham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1847 to 1864

**Marhamchurch Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1868

**Marine Brass Band** - Holyhead, Anglesey

Active in 1890, conducted by Richard Rowlands

**Mariners Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Keighley Brass Band*

**Marion Street Mission Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1890

**Market Deeping Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1891. Conductor George Bunning in 1892. Bandmaster F.J. Bearman in 1896, conductor Mr Shillaker. In 1902 conductor was T.R. Kay, secretary W. Greenfield. Still active in 1919. Folded some time before 1924 when the local Boy Scouts asked the parish council to hand over the band's instruments.

**Market Drayton Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1856 and in the early 1900s

**Market Harborough Volunteers Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Market Lavington Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor W.P. House in 1854 and 1862. Also active from the 1900s through to 1948 (possibly a different band). Conductor J.H. Merritt in 1901.

Gained 3rd place in a contest at the West Lavington Flower Show in August 1913, with the South of England Temperance Prize Band (1st place, conductor Mr. John Green), Chippenham Silver Prize band (2nd place), and Gorse Hill Prize Band. The adjudicator was Mr. J. G. Jubbs of Manchester.

**Market Lavington Teetotal Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1851

**Market Rasen Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Resdev Market Rasen Band*

**Market Rasen Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1860s to 1868

**Market Rasen Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

See: *Market Rasen Volunteer Rifles Band*

**Market Rasen RPC Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Resdev Market Rasen Band*

**Market Rasen Town Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

See: *Market Rasen Volunteer Rifles Band*

**Market Rasen Town Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Resdev Market Rasen Band*

**Market Rasen Volunteer Rifles Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the early 1880s, becoming Market Rasen Town Band in the mid 1880s.

Conductor C. Sanderson in 1906. It eventually disbanded in 1939. A successor band was formed in 1966

**Market Weighton Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the 1840s to the 1870s. Conductor Mr Johnson in 1865

**Market Weighton Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Market Weighton Town Band*

**Market Weighton Coronation Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1900s, T. Cooper conductor in 1902

**Market Weighton Reformatory School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the early 1900s

**Market Weighton Town Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductors J. Whaley in 1907, John William Hemmingway in 1927

**Markfield Band** - Leicestershire

See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

**Markfield Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1859 to 1868

**Markham and District Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Markham British Legion Band (to 1930), Markham and District Colliery Band, Markham Brass Band

**Markham and District Colliery Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Markham & District Band*

**Markham Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Markham & District Band*

**Markham British Legion Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Markham & District Band*

**Markham Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1924 - Former names: Markham Main Colliery St John Ambulance Band - Note: Coronation Day 1937 - Owing to the bad weather the Historical Pageant staged for Coronation Day was postponed until Saturday evening, when it is hoped that a further firework display, together with the lighting of the bonfire, will be held. The parade of decorated vehicles and people in fancy dress was held, however, and a large crowd followed it. The procession formed at the Landsale Yard, and during the time it was being assembled the Markham Main Ambulance Band, conducted by Mr. E. Griffiths, played.

**Markham Main Colliery St John Ambulance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Markham Main Colliery Band*

**Marks Tey Brotherhood Band**

Active in the 1930s, the band folded during WW2. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**Marksbury Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1861, 1862. Known as the Happy Family Band, due to it being conducted by a father and his sons

**Marlborough Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1862, 1864

**Marlborough Place Mission Brass Band** - St John's Wood, Middlesex

Active between 1885 and 1903

**Marlborough Silver Town Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1950s. Conductor Robert Stiles in 1899-1910. Records of the band, from 1895-1948, are held at Wiltshire and Swindon Record Office

**Marlborough Victoria Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1899

**Marley Hill Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s to 1863

**Marley Hill Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Marley Hill Silver Prize Band*

**Marley Hill Silver Prize Band** - Durham

Formed in 1890. One of the founder members was John Bewick, a colliery blacksmith. He was born at Highfield near Hexham in 1856 and came with his parents to Old Sunnyside in 1860. At the age of 12 he began work in the engine sheds at Andrews House colliery where he stayed for 6 months before serving his apprenticeship as a blacksmith. He subsequently worked for 57 years in this trade for J. Bowes and Partners. Still active in 1939, the band rehearsed in Sunnyside. Also known as Marley Hill Colliery Band

**Marlow Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the mid-1840s into the 1850s. A successor band was formed in 1861

**Marlow Brass Band (2)** - Buckinghamshire

Founded in May 1861

**Marlow Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1900

**Marlow Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1906

**Marlow Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

Founded in 1880. Folded some time before 1906, when a successor band was formed.

Secretary in 1885 was C.M. Footitt

**Marlpool Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1900

**Marnhull Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1892, conductor Sidney Parsons

**Marnhull Star of the Vale Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1890s through to WW2. Henry Haskett was its conductor for nearly 50 years.

**Marple Band** - Cheshire

[current band]

**Marple Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1860s. A successor band was formed in 1900.

**Marple Secondary School Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1970s

**Marquis of Breadalbane's Brass Band** - Killin, Perthshire

Active in 1861

**Marr College Brass Band** - Troon, Ayrshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Marriner's Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1840s by the worsted mill owner WL Marriner, in Keighley, the band competed in the 1861 Crystal Palace contest with the alternate name of "the Band of the 35th Rifle Volunteer Corps" and won the Sydenham Cup. In the 1862 contest they were styled WL Marriner's Private Brass Band, and used two flugel horns in their line-up. Subscriptions were collected from the members in the early years. They won the Daily Mirror Cup at Crystal Palace in 1909 and were incorporated into Keighley Borough Band in 1914.

**Marriner's Juvenile Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the 1890s.

**Marriner's Mill Band**

See: *Marriner's Band*

**Mars Training Ship Band** - Newport-on-Tay, Fife

See: *Training Ship Mars Band*

**Mars Training Ship Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus

Active in 1890

**Marsden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marsden Silver Riverhead Brewery Band*

**Marsden Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1850s as South Shields Temperance Band, it was disbanded by the Marsden Colliery Miners Lodge in 1930 in controversial circumstances, and its instruments were bought by Dinnington Colliery Band. Also known as the North and South Shields Temperance Band, and the South Shields Excelsior Temperance Band

**Marsden Colliery Prize Band**

See: *Marsden Colliery Band*

**Marsden Mechanics Institution Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1855, still active in 1858

**Marsden Moor Brass Band** - Staveley, Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s. The village of Marsden Moor is now known as Mastin Moor.

**Marsden Moor Church Brass Band** - Staveley, Derbyshire

Active in 1888

**Marsden Musical Institute Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marsden Silver Riverhead Brewery Band*

**Marsden Secondary School Band**

See: *Marsden Senior School Band*

**Marsden Senior School Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s to 1950s

**Marsden Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marsden Silver Riverhead Brewery Band*

**Marsden Silver Riverhead Brewery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Marsden Band, Marsden Musical Institute Band, Marsden Silver Prize Band

**Marsden St Andrews Band (1)** - Durham

Active in 1922

**Marsden St Andrews Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in 1930 by some bandsmen from the previous Marsden Colliery Band, probably did not last beyond 1939

**Marsden Union Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1830

**Marsh Gibbon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1865. Active through the 1870s and 1880s, folding in the early 1890s.

Conductor Mr Cross in 1870, William Allen in 1871, J. Herring in 1887 and Jesse Heritage in 1888. A successor band was formed in 1906 by Will Herring and Marley Walker.

**Marsh Gibbon Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1906

**Marshall's Iron Works Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire

See: *Marshall's Monway Works Brass Band*

**Marshall's Monway Works Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s, based at Marshall's Ironworks in Portway Road, Wednesbury.

**Marsham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1860s and the 1920s

**Marshchapel Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1863, conductor Mr Bush. Still active in 1865

**Marshes Road Methodist Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s, Mr Kilburn conductor in 1904

**Marshfield Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in the 1930s

**Marshfield Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1860 to the 1880s. A successor band was formed in the early 1930s.



**Marshside Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: Marshside Temperance Brass Band, Marshside Teetotal Brass Band - Note: Played at the founding of the Mere Brow Methodist Church in 1902

**Marshside Teetotal Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Marshside Brass Band*

**Marshside Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Marshside Brass Band*

**Marske and District Prize Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marske Brass Band*

**Marske Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Upleatham Mines Band, New Marske Band (1937), New Marske Silver Prize Band, Marske and District Prize Silver Band (1966-1994)

**Marske Brass Band**

See: *Marske Operatic Brass Band*

**Marske Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s to the 1900s

**Marske United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1903, conductor H. Barker

**Marston Brass Band** - Marston Gate, Somerset

Active in 1860 to 1863

**Marston Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1887

**Marston Green Cottage Homes Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor F. Wilson. The Homes was built in 1879 by Birmingham Union, accommodating up to 420 children. A number of boys were trained to form an efficient brass band, which, besides playing at the Homes, had frequent engagements in the district.

**Marston Valley Band** - Lidlington, Bedfordshire

Records of the band, from 1951-56, are held at Bedfordshire and Luton Archives and Record Service. Linked to the local brick making industry. The band had a meteoric rise from the 4th Section to the Championship Section in successive years.

**Marston Valley Brick Works Band**

See: *Marston Valley Band*

**Martland's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1850s. Some quotes from the Preston Guardian: "3rd June 1854 - ... met at the White Bull Inn, Myerscough ... and hearing a cheating tune or two from Mr Martland's brass band, of Preston". "18th June 1853 - Great Eccleston Club Day - on Monday last, the members of the Prosperity Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows held their anniversary at the lodge-house, Black Bull Inn, Great Eccleston. At nine o'clock the members formed in procession, headed by Martland's celebrated sax-horn hand (from Preston)"

**Martland's Saxhorn Band**

See: *Martland's Brass Band*

**Martlesham Brass** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1996

**Martley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1881 to the late 1890s. Also known as Martley Foresters' Brass Band. Mr Footman conductor in 1883

**Martley Foresters Brass Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Martley Brass Band*

**Martock Band** - Somerset

Founded by 1889. Active around 1912 - disbanded in the 1920's.

**Marton Mere Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blackpool Brass*

**Marton Temperance Band** - Great Marton, Lancashire

Active in 1868

**Martyr's Christian Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s and 1900s

**Marwood Juniors Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1980s

**Maryhill Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1860 to 1869

**Marylebone Borough and Great Central Railway Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Reeves in 1902

**Marylebone Municipal Employees Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Marylebone Poor Law Schools Band**

See: *Southall Schools Brass Band*

**Maryport Albion Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1930s to 1960s

**Maryport Artillery Band** - Cumberland

See: *Maryport Town Brass Band*

**Maryport Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1851

**Maryport Silver Band** - Cumberland

See: *Maryport Solway Silver Band*

**Maryport Solway Silver Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1930s

**Maryport Town Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s. In 1891 it took part in a concert with Workington Vocal Union Voice Choir. Conductor Henry Thompson in 1891

**Masham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1858. Conductor T. Welford in 1862

**Massingham Crown Brass Band**

See: *Great Massingham Silver Band*

**Masson Mills Brass Band** - Matlock Bath, Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s

**Master Cutler's Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Master's Brass, The**

See: *Strood Gospel Mission Silver Band*

**Mastin Moor Brass Band**

See: *Marsden Moor Brass Band*

**Mather and Platt Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s, also active in 1948 - based at the Mather and Platt Ironworks in Newton Heath

**Mather and Platt Social Club Brass Band**

See: *Mather and Platt Brass Band*

**Matlock Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1850s

**Matlock Bath Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1866

**Matlock Derwent Silver Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Matlock United Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire

Active 1899, conductor L. Wildgoose, also in 1914. Possibly related to the current Matlock Band?

**Matlock Volunteer Rifles Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1860s

**Matravers' Brass Band** - Melksham, Wiltshire

See: *Messrs Matravers and Sons' Brass Band*

**Matthews Norfolk Brass** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Norfolk Brass*

**Maudslay and Sons Brass Band** - Lambeth, Surrey

See: *Messrs Maudslay, Sons and Field Brass Band*

**Maw and Co. Brass Band** - Broseley, Shropshire

Active in 1862, also known as Benthall Brass Band. Conductor S.L. Lover in 1863. Maw and Co. were tile makers in the Ironbridge gorge area, moving to the Benthall Works at Broseley in 1852. Still active in 1869

**Mawddwy Brass Band** - Merioneth

See: *Dinas-Mawddwy Brass Band*

**Mawgan Band** - Cornwall

Mawgan can be found near Helston, but very little can be found about the band. There is an 1857 report of them playing at the Porthleven Regatta, and later, in 1870, appearing at a Sunday school anniversary in the Lizard. Then nothing until, of all dates, 1943, when a Mawgan Band played at a garden fete under the direction of a Bandmaaster Williams. A late 19th century photo shows a band of seven players under Thomas Eplett. No contests were ever attended.

**Mawnan Brass Band** - Cornwall

South of Falmouth, Mawnan Band seems to have functioned from the 1880's through to 1935, with a note in a local newspaper of 1936 bemoaning the fact that there is no longer a Mawnan Band. There is a record of only one contest attended - that at Falmouth in 1884. This was a one section contest and Mawnan came in third. The only mention of a conductor is found in 1905 when the name John Opie is recorded.

**Maxey Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1862 to 1867

**Maybloom (Borough of Greenwich) Band** - Kent

Active in the 1960s, based at the Maybloom Working Men's Club.

### **Maybole Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Originally Maybole Carrick Band, then Carrick Instrumental Band. In 1867 the band instruments were taken from the local bandsmen, because they would not attend practices, and given to the Volunteers who formed a band among its members, and although for a time it was factually a military band it was always considered the Maybole band. About the turn of the century the instruments were returned to the Council and the Maybole Burgh Band came into existence before the first World War. It won many competitions under the leadership of W.E. Shaw, the Bandmaster, and played in the town and district for many years until, again through lack of young people attending practices, in the 1950s the Council took over the instruments and stored them away and the town was left without a band. It was hoped some townsmen interested in band music would come forward and another band be formed but this was not to be and, as the instruments were deteriorating in storage, the council sold them. By coincidence the council purchased scarlet and ermine robes for the Provost and Bailies about the time the instruments were sold and it was the ribald belief of many ratepayers that the council had robbed the band to robe their civic heads and that it was the sale price of the big drum which went to buy the Provost's cocked hat.

### **Maybole Carrick Band,**

See: *Maybole Burgh Band*

### **Mayfield Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1892 - Former names: St Dunstan's Mayfield Band, Mayfield Silver Band

### **Mayfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. A successor band (the current Mayfield Band) was formed in the early 1890s.

### **Mayfield Road Mission Band** - Dalston, Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s

### **Mayfield Silver Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Mayfield Band*

### **Mayford Industrial School Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s to 1920s

### **Mayorhold Mission Total Abstinence Band** - Northampton, Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s

### **McKee's Jersey Brass Band** - Isle of Jersey

Active in the 1880s

### **McKiernan Group Heating Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Radcliffe Brass Band*

### **McLaren Colliery Brass Band**

See: *McLaren's Workmen's Silver Band*

### **McLaren Workmen's Silver Band** - Abertysswg, Monmouthshire

Founded in 1907, conductor Thomas Threlfall. Based at the McLaren Colliery. Later also known as Pontlottyn McClaren Silver Band. Bandmaster J. Jackson in 1919

### **Meadow Lane Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1854

### **Meadowbank Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1865 to 1869. Conductor Samuel Hulse in 1868

**Mealsgate Coronation Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1910

**Mealsgate Rechabite Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1890

**Measham Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1850s and 1870s

**Measham Town Band** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1902

**Medomsley Cottage Homes Band** - Deaf Hill, Durham

Cottages built by the North Eastern Railway. The band was formed in the 1900s.

**Medstead Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the early 1900s. Conductor T. Collister in 1903. The Band's activities were suspended for the first world war and then resumed. Band members are thought to include Dick Licence and Mr. Poole the drummer. The Band was under the auspices of the Medstead Friendly Society.

**Medway Band** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Chatham Town Band, Medway Imperial Silver Band (1945), Medway Towns Band, KM Gillingham Band, KM Medway Band (2000) - Note: Amalgamated with City of Rochester Band to become Medway Towns Band

**Medway Concert Brass** - Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Medway Imperial Silver Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Medway Band*

**Medway Imperial Silver Band**

See: *Chatham Town Band*

**Medway Towns Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Medway Band*

**Meersbrook Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active after WW2 - in the 1940s to 1960s

**Megavissey Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall

Founded in 1867, when it was reported that "many young men enrolled", and attempts were made to raise cash for a band fund. Still active in 1869

**Megavissey Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall

See: *Megavissey Coronation Band*

**Megavissey Coronation Band** - Cornwall

A band was formed in 1937 to assist in the celebrations of the coronation of George VI and forever after they were officially titled The Mevagissey Coronation Band. This band was formed because of the enthusiasm for bands of one man, Samuel Rowe, a local music teacher, who does seem to have conducted a band in Mevagissey during WW1. Samuel Rowe's name keeps popping up due to his many attempts to form bands in Mevagissey. He even stored all the old instruments in his house.

**Megavissey Town Band** - Cornwall

See: *Megavissey Coronation Band*

**Meir and Longton Royal British Legion Band** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Melbourne Baptist Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in July 1899, still active in 1920 when it took part in the town's "Band Sunday" with the Town Band. In 1902 conductor was H. Fieldsend, bandmaster A. Andrews

**Melbourne Baptist Sunday School Band**

See: *Melbourne Baptist Brass Band*

**Melbourne Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Existed as early as September 1845, when they played to celebrate Lord Melbourne's arrival at Melbourne Hall, and in 1856 when they celebrated the end of the Crimean War. In 1860 they were commended at the great National Brass Band Contest at Crystal Palace, leader L. Warren. The Band was on the verge of signing up to sail with a ship to the Baltic in 1855, when wives and girlfriends intervened at the last moment and stopped them. A member of the Melbourne band once joined the travelling band that accompanied Wombwells Menagerie, a kind of Victorian "zoo on wheels". The band was still active in 1920, conducted by F. Newbold. A successor band was formed in 1992.

**Melbourne Conservative Club Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in 1890.

**Melbourne Town Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1992

**Melbourne Town Band**

See: *Melbourne Brass Band*

**Melbourne Wesleyan Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1895 into the 1900s

**Meldrum Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Oldmeldrum Brass Band*

**Melingriffith Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Melingriffith Volunteer and Cadet Corps Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Melingriffith Works Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Melksham Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1870s. Probably derived from the Melksham 2nd Wilts Volunteers Battalion Band which was active in 1869. The Melksham Brass Band was active through to 1902

**Melksham Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Melksham Amateur Brass Band*

**Melksham Coronation Band** - Wiltshire

Formed in 1937 - active through to the late 1940s

**Melksham Town Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Melksham Amateur Brass Band*

**Melling Brass Band** - Lancashire

Centred on Melling Pottery and was made up mainly of pottery workers. Active in the early 1900s to WW1. Bandmaster Joseph Leadbetter in 1903. Still active in 1915

**Mellor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to WW1

**Mellor Brook Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1887 through to the 1900s

**Mells Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1899

**Melsonby Brass Band** - Yorkshire, North Riding

Active in the 1890s, through to at least 1937

**Meltham and Meltham Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1846 - Former names: Meltham Mills Band (to 1946)

**Meltham Mills Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Meltham and Meltham Mills Brass Band*

**Melton Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1838 - Former names: Melton Town Silver Band, Melton Borough Band

**Melton Borough Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Melton Band*

**Melton Mowbray P.S.A. Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Melton Mowbray Temperance Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Founded in 1869, conductor E. Brown

**Melton Mowbray Wesleyan Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Melton Mowbray Young Men's Institute Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Melton Saxhorn Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1856

**Melton Town Silver Band** - Leicestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Melton Band*

**Membury Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1921, conductor, F.H. Dunn. Known as Membury Silver Band by 1936

**Menai Bridge Brass Band** - Anglesey

[previous name of current band] See: *Porthaethwy Menai Bridge Band*

**Mendip Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active in 1865

**Mendip Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

See: *Chewton Mendip Brass Band*

**Mendip Brass Band (3)** - Somerset

[current band] - Former names: Wells Community Brass Band (to 2009)

**Mendlesham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1894

**Mendlesham Green Brass Band** - Suffolk

William Arbon, the village carpenter, was the Bandmaster. On winter evenings the Band met in the carpenter's shop for rehearsal. There, seated on benches and trestles they struggled with their musical instruments and score, small boys sitting around, scarcely visible in the candlelight. Two or three winters of hard practice eventually brought its reward. What a great day it was for William and his band when, fully equipped and in uniform, they were engaged to play at the annual Mendlesham Horticultural Show and Sports. From that day their reputation was assured, rivaling that of the Combs Ford and Debenham Brass Bands.

**Menston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1856

**Meole Brace Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1866, 1867

**Meole Brass Band** - Shropshire  
See: *Meole Brace Brass Band*

**Mercian Brass**  
Active in the 1980s

**Mercury Training Ship Band** - Binstead, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
See: *Training Ship Mercury Brass Band*

**Mere C.E.T.S. Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. The Church of England Temperance Society Band may have evolved from the previous Rechabite Band.

**Mere Manor Brass** - Wiltshire  
Active from the 1960s to the late 1990s. Originally known as Mere Manor Youth Band

**Mere Manor Youth Band**  
See: *Mere Manor Brass*

**Mere Rechabite Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1860s - engaged by the Gillingham Total Abstinence Society

**Mere Town Silver Band** - Wiltshire  
Records of the band, from 1924-1987 are held by Wiltshire and Swindon Record Office

**Meredith Youth Brass Band**  
Active in the 1970s, competing in the Wessex BBA Grading Contest in 1978

**Mereside Brass** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2002 - Former names: JPD Mereside Brass

**Merrall's Spring Head Band, Spring Head Brass Band, Haworth Public Prize Band - Note:**  
**Other related bands: Ponden Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Haworth Brass Band*

**Merriott Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1886, conductor John Cliff

**Merrymeet Band** - Cornwall  
This outfit was also known as the Menheniot Band. One supposes that Merrymeet and Menheniot, villages to the east of Liskeard, both sent players to the band. There is no doubt that this band operated before WW1 with a compliment of about 17 men, a goodly number for those days. No contests were entered for, and names of conductors cannot be found.

**Merryston Brass Band** - Easterhouse, Lanarkshire  
See: *West Maryston Brass Band*

**Mersey Steel and Iron Company Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1856

**Merstham Baptist Mission Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1904

**Merthyr Town Brass Band**  
See: *Merthyr Tydfil Brass Band*

**Merthyr Tydfil Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active from the 1860s to the 1880s. Leader William Matthias in 1860.



**Merthyr Vale Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1890s to WW1. Conductor D. Stephens in 1906

**Merthyr Vale Town Band**

See: *Merthyr Vale Silver Band*

**Merthyr Volunteers Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1880s to 1890s

**Merton Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1850s, rehearsing at the King's Head Inn, Merton on Monday evenings

**Merton Silver Band** - Bootle, Lancashire

Active in 1914

**Message Maker (Gloucester) Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flowers Band*

**Messingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1859, 1864

**Messrs Maudslay, Sons and Field Brass Band** - Lambeth, Surrey

Active in 1866 to 1869. Maudslay's were manufacturers of steam engines for ships and pumps

**Messrs A. Turner and Co.'s Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in 1869

**Messrs Alexander Watson's Works Brass Band** - Kemback, Fife

Active in 1862. Alexander Watson & Son were flax spinners at the Blebo Works, Dura Den

**Messrs Aston's Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

Founded in 1913

**Messrs Barrett, Exall and Andrewes Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

Active in 1860. Barrett, Exall & Andrewes manufactured agricultural machinery and portable/fixed engines, at the Katesgrove Iron Works

**Messrs Bevington's Brass Band** - Bermondsey, Surrey

Founded in 1861. Conductor W. Ward in 1866-1868. Bevingtons and Sons occupied the Neckinger Mills in Bermondsey and were the foremost tannery in the area. Still active in 1868

**Messrs Blair and Co.'s Brass Band**

See: *Blair and Co. Engine Works Band*

**Messrs Blair and Sumner's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1854. Blair and Sumner's Bleachworks were located at Mill Hill on the banks of the River Tonge

**Messrs Blundell, Spence and Co.'s Works Harmonic Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1855 and 1856. The company produced paints and varnishes

**Messrs Bolckow and Vaughan's Band**

See: *Bolckow and Vaughan's Middlesbrough Band*

**Messrs Brison and Co.'s Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Messrs Walter and Brison's Brass Band*

**Messrs Broadwood's Brass Band** - Westminster, Middlesex

See: *Broadwood Works Brass Band*

**Messrs Butt's Brass Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

Active in 1865

- Messrs Chance Bros. and Co. Brass Band** - Oldbury, Worcestershire  
Active in 1856. Chance Brothers was a glassworks, also known as Oldbury Alkali Works. Still active in 1859. There was also a juvenile brass band attached to the works
- Messrs Chance's Juvenile Brass Band** - Oldbury, Worcestershire  
Active in 1857
- Messrs Cliff and Son's Brass Band** - Wortley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1856. Joseph Cliff & Sons operated a Brick and Sanitary Tube works
- Messrs Comber's Brass Band** - Slaughtam, Sussex  
Active in 1855, 1861
- Messrs Conacher and Co.'s Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1867, 1868. Peter Conacher's factory built organs, the first of which was sold to Huddersfield Parish Church.
- Messrs Corah and Sons' Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
See: *St Margaret's Works Brass Band*
- Messrs Corry and Sons' Brass Band** - Silvertown, Essex  
Active in 1862. Corry and Sons were coal merchants based at the Victoria Docks
- Messrs Cosham and Wethered's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Kingswood Colliery Brass Band*
- Messrs Crick and Sons' Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
Active in 1861. Crick & Sons were boot and shoe manufacturers
- Messrs Defries and Sons Brass Band** - London (City)  
Active in 1866. Defries and Sons were gas engineers, producing gas lamps, chandeliers, meters, and were based in Gravel Lane.
- Messrs Derham Brothers' Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1864, when they took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol. Conductor U. Richardson in March 1864. Still active in 1868. Derham's were boot and shoe manufacturers
- Messrs Doulton and Co. Brass Band** - Lambeth, Surrey  
Founded in 1855, still active in 1866
- Messrs Dunn and Hewett's Brass Band** - Pentonville, Middlesex  
Active in 1864, 1865. Comprised of workmen from Dunn & Hewett's which were chocolate and essence of coffee manufacturers
- Messrs E.A. and W. Greenslade's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1863. Greenslade's were brush manufacturers in Thomas Street.
- Messrs E.H. Turpin and Co.'s Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1859
- Messrs Edward Stillwell and Son's Brass Band** - London  
Active in 1864. Edward Stillwell and Son, based at Barbican, were manufacturers of gold and silver lace and embroidery, military, naval and masonic clothing
- Messrs Evans' Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Darley Abbey Brass Band*
- Messrs Finzel and Company's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1865, leaders Herr Pfeiffer and also George Rawbon. Conrad Finzel owned a large sugar refinery in the city. Still active in 1866
- Messrs G.R. Stephenson and Partners Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
See: *Stephenson's Operatic Brass Band*

- Messrs Gill and Ward's Brass Band** - Oxford, Oxfordshire  
Active in 1858, 1861. Gill & Ward's was a large ironmonger's business in the city.
- Messrs Harvey and Synyer's Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
Active in 1851
- Messrs Hawes, Denny and Hargreaves Brass Band** - Jackfield, Shropshire  
Active in 1864. Band composed of workmen from Hawes, Denny and Hargreaves Co. who were encaustic, geometrical and mosaic tile manufacturers
- Messrs Hawthorn's Works Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1867. R.W. Hawthorn & Co's Locomotive works at St Peter's in the city
- Messrs Hayward and Tilley's Brass Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire  
Active in 1852
- Messrs Hodges and Sons' Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
Active in 1864, conductor J.A. Smith. Hodges and Sons were elastic web manufacturers, the company folding in 1881.
- Messrs J. and E. Wright's Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
See: *Universe Works Brass Band*
- Messrs J. and W. Goldsmith's Brass Band** - Trowbridge, Wiltshire  
Formed in 1851. Still active in 1866. The Goldsmith's were the sons of the principal cloth manufacturer of the town who, "being possessed of cultivated musical taste, and also being executants of no inconsiderable skill, formed the generous desire to extend to others the enjoyment which they themselves derive from 'the sweet art', and to provide a means of rational recreation for their industrial fellow townsmen. The resulting brass band practices twice a week"
- Messrs J. Shoolbred and Co.'s Brass Band** - Middlesex  
See: *Tottenham House Brass Band*
- Messrs J.B. White and Brothers' Brass Band** - Swanscombe, Kent  
Active in 1864. White's were cement manufacturers
- Messrs J.G. Hepburn and Co. Brass Band** - Dartford, Kent  
See: *Priory Works Brass Band*
- Messrs J.J. Cordes Brass Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire  
See: *Cordes Works Brass Band*
- Messrs James Ferguson and Co.'s Brass Band** - Auchenheath, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1863 to 1867. Ferguson's pits produced a coal particularly rich in gas and oil
- Messrs Lamberts Tube Works Band**  
See: *Lambert Brothers Tube Works Brass Band*
- Messrs Luke Turner and Co.'s Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
Active in the late 1870s. Luke Turner manufactured elastic webbing used in clothing and upholstery
- Messrs M. Oldroyd's and Sons Brass Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s, based at the Oldroyd's woolen mill.
- Messrs Martin's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
Active in 1863
- Messrs Matravers and Sons' Brass Band** - Melksham, Wiltshire  
Active in 1868. The company originated in Westbury, Wiltshire, and took over a steam-powered cloth mill in Melksham in 1862.

**Messrs Moulton's Brass Band** - Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire

Active in 1863. This was the works band from Moulton's rubber factory at the Kingston Mill, which was established in 1848 - this was the birth of the rubber industry in the UK

**Messrs Pattinson and Sons' Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in 1866, conductor Mr Cuthbertson. Robert Pattinson's were a company of tanners and leather manufacturers, located in Gallowgate.

**Messrs Peacock's Band**

See: *Gorton Foundry Band*

**Messrs Peers' Brass Band** - Sandbach, Cheshire

Formed in 1855, conductor Thomas Peers. Had previously existed as a drum and fife band, converting to brass and giving their first public performance in June 1855. Still active in 1863

**Messrs Penn and Sons' Brass Band** - Deptford, Kent

Active in 1855. John Penn & Sons built marine steam engines.

**Messrs Philips and Co. Brass Band** - Tean, Staffordshire

Active in 1867 to 1896. Conductor F. Charsley in 1867. This band was connected to the Philips Silk Mill at Tean, where they made red ribbon, among other products, and which was the origin of the phrase "tied up in red tape". J. & N. Philips also manufactured hats and textiles such as linen smallwares, silks and fustians.

**Messrs Pinder's Brass Band**

A professional brass band belonging to Pinder's Cirque Unique travelling circus. Active in 1861, conductor John Buckley

**Messrs Pitt and Co. Brass Band** - London (City)

Active in 1867. Pitt & Co. were "patent tonic water and soda water" manufacturers, based in Wharf Road, City Road

**Messrs Pontifex and Wood's Excelsior Amateur Brass Band** - Holborn, Middlesex

Active in 1864. Pontifex and Wood were engineers and coppersmiths, based in Shoe Lane, Holborn

**Messrs Porritt and Witham's Brass Band** - Armley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the late 1850s to the 1860s.

**Messrs Rawlings' Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex

Formed in 1862 as a fife and drum band under conductor J.A. Smith. Became a brass band in 1865, with 14 players, conductor E.G. Coleman, bandmaster/teacher D. Peachey. H.D. & J. Rawlings were drinks manufacturers, producing ginger beer and mineral waters, later fruit juices, squashes, cordials, and carbonated water. Originally at Nassau Street, Marylebone, later in Camberwell. Still active in 1868.

**Messrs Rawson and Co.'s Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in 1860, conductor J.A. Smith. John Rawsons Ltd were hosiery manufacturers

**Messrs Rolfe & Harris' Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Active in 1868, composed of workmen from the company. Rolfe & Harris were composition frame manufacturers, based at 47« Arlington Street, New North Road, Islington. The company, founded by John Rolfe and Samuel Harris, was wound up in 1886

**Messrs Salmon's Brass Band** - Ulverston, Lancashire

Active in 186- Messrs. Salmon, Barnes & Co. were based at the Canal Head Foundry and Engineering Works, Ulverston

- Messrs Samuelson and Co. Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1857, conductor Mr Acey. A band consisting of shipwrights from Martin Samuelson's shipyard.
- Messrs Smith's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1862. This was the works band of James Smith and Sons, boot and shoe manufacturers, 62, Castle Street, Bristol.
- Messrs Smyth and Sons' Brass Band** - Peasenhall, Suffolk  
See: *Peasenhall Brass Band*
- Messrs Stephenson's Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire  
Active in 1857
- Messrs Stevens and Sons Brass Band** - Southwark, Surrey  
Active in 1868. Stevens and Sons, based at the Darlington Works, Southwark Bridge Road, manufactured railway signalling equipment and semaphores.
- Messrs Tangye Brothers and Price Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire  
Active in 1865. Tangye Brothers were engineers, manufacturing hydraulic jacks, rams, pumps, engines and other tools
- Messrs Towgood and Evans' Brass Band** - Sawston, Cambridgeshire  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s, based at the paper mill in the town. See also: Sawston Brass Band. Still active in 1868
- Messrs Virtue and Co. Brass Band** - London (City)  
Active in 1866, conductor Mr Shapcott. Virtue's were a printing and publishing house, based in City Road
- Messrs W. Jessop and Sons Works Brass Band** - Brightside, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1865, conductor George Wade in 1866. Jessop's was steel works based in Sheffield
- Messrs W.H. and George Dawes Brass Band** - Elsecar, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Milton Ironworks Brass Band*
- Messrs Walter and Brison's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1861. Conductor U. Richardson in 1862. Walter & Brison manufactured brushes and bellows at their factory in Redcliff Street, and was established by John Parr Walter and Emmanuel Brison (the latter actually retired from the business in 1859). Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864
- Messrs Waterlow and Sons Brass Band** - London (City)  
See: *Carpenters' Hall Brass Band*
- Messrs Waterman and Co.'s Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1865, 1869. Leader Joseph Lucas in 1865. Conductor J.O. Brooke in 1866. Waterman's were boot and shoe makers
- Messrs Wethered and Cossham's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Kingswood Colliery Brass Band*
- Messrs Whitwell's Brass Band**  
See: *Whitwell and Company Brass Band*
- Messrs Wilkinson and Co.'s Brass Band** - Borrowash, Derbyshire  
See: *Anglo-Scotian Mills Brass Band*

- Messrs William Fison and Co.'s Brass Band** - Burley in Wharfedale, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s. William Fison's were worsted spinners and textile manufacturers. The band accompanied all the workers on a trip to the Great Exhibition in June 1862 (those under 18 had a trip to Scarborough instead). Still active in 1864
- Messrs Worthington and Co.'s Brass Band** - Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire  
Active from the early 1860s to the late 1880s. This was Worthington's brewery band
- Messrs Wright's Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
See: *Universe Works Brass Band*
- Metal Trades Council Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
Active in 1925
- Metheringham and Dunston Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1905 when the band heralded the football teams onto the field in a match. The music played for the home team was "See the conquering heroes come", while they then played the opponents, Washingborough, in to "The Dead March" from Saul
- Metheringham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1855
- Methil Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from the 1890s to WW1
- Methil Town Band**  
See: *Methil Brass Band*
- Methilhill Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from the mid-1860s to the 1900s. Re-organised in 1904
- Methilhill Public Band** - Fife  
Active in the 1930s and 1940s
- Methley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to the 1920s
- Metropolitan Borough of Wigan Schools Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- Metropolitan Brass Band** - London  
From the News of the World, 12th September 1886: Railway Servants' Fete and Gala - Yesterday afternoon, the first annual fete and gala of the Metropolitan Railway Company's employees was held in a field near the Metropolitan Railway Station at Harrow, lent by Mr Atkins. The entertainments comprised an Old English Fair, athletic sports and a firework display. The Metropolitan Brass Band and the Willesdon Brass Band played selections of music. There was a large attendance.
- Metropolitan Cable Works Band** - Chadwell Heath, Essex  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Metropolitan Carriage Works Band**  
See: *Metropolitan Works Band*
- Metropolitan Dockyard Police Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire  
Founded in 1861, conductor Mr Jones, consisting of 30 constables, practising in the Volunteer band room at the Dockyard Factory.
- Metropolitan Electric Tramways Band** - London  
Active in 1909
- Metropolitan Society of Plasterers Brass Band** - London  
Founded in 1881, conductor J. Howell

### **Metropolitan Works Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Band from the Cammell works. Note from local newspaper in 1927:- "Masses in harmony at the Molineux: After a hard week at work what better way to relax at the weekend than by tickling the tonsils with a little community singing in the open air at Wolverhampton's Molineux Grounds in January. Swanee River, Land Of Hope And Glory and There's A Tavern In The Town, echoed across the streets as townsfolk raised their voices accompanied by the prizewinning Metropolitan Works Band, under the direction of Joseph Lewis and Harold Casey. Before hitting the high notes, the singers were given a few helpful hints by Mr Lewis. He emphasised that everyone must join in and they must all sing together. He told the gathering that he wasn't using a baton because the crowd wouldn't see it. Instead, his associate Harold Casey, would give the necessary "physical jerks" to help the singers harmonise. Printed on the Community Singing sheet were instructions to "take a deep breath" and hold it. According to Mr Lewis the gathering must sing with the breath HELD to make more sound - and they must not get out of step with the singing. Mr Lewis promised the crowd that if they got into a mess he would blow a whistle for them to stop. Presumably if they were still holding their breath they would be in no fit state to singalong-a-Lewis." Still active in 1938. Also known as Birmingham Carriage and Wagon Works Band, Birmingham Metropolitan Works Band.

### **Mevagissey Band** - Cornwall

[no information]

### **Mexborough and Swinton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1866 to the 1900s. Also known as Swinton Brass Band

### **Mexborough Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

### **Mexborough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor Louis Dawson in 1909

### **Mexborough Great Central Railway Band**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **Mexborough M.S. and L. Railway Brass Band**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **Mexborough Music Centre Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

### **Mexborough Plant Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1860s as the South Yorkshire Railway Company Band, reformed in the 1880s and still active up to 1900. It was based with the Mexborough railway works for the Manchester/Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway - later the Great Central Railway. Also known as the Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Brass Band, and the Sheffield Victoria Station Brass Band.

### **Mexborough Railway Band**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **Mexborough Railway Servants Band**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **Mexborough Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1960s

### **Mexborough Town Band**

See: *Mexborough Brass Band*

**Michael Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in 1869

**Michael Colliery Band** - East Wemyss, Fife

Active from the 1920s to the 1950s

**Micheldever and Stratton Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the late 1860s

**Micheldever Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the early 1900s. It continued practising in June 1914 for the Hospital Sunday Parade. Subsequent village events seemed to have used other bands, so the Micheldever Band probably folded during or after World War I.

**Michelin Works Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s

**Michelmersh Silver Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Michelmersh Temperance Band -

Note: Formed in 1886 as a temperance band as was the condition of the loan for instruments from the local vicar. Founded by Thomas Topp and Thomas Parsons there has always been direct descendants of these Thomas? in the band. Currently 1 Parsons and 3 Topps (2011).

**Michelmersh Temperance Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Michelmersh Silver Band*

**Micklefield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band]

**Micklefield Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor H. Bolton in 1908

**Micklefield Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1970s to the 2000s

**Micklefield Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Micklehurst Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Carrbrook Brass*

**Mickleover and Radbourne Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1887

**Mickleover Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active 1862, conductor Mr Hair. Still active in 1882, conductor R. Lee

**Mickleton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1840s and 1850s. Conductor Mr Farley in 1851

**Mickleton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the mid-1850s. Still active in 1931. W. Parkin Raine was conductor in 1896

**Mickley Brass Band**

See: *Mickley Colliery Brass Band*

**Mickley Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

Founded in May 1861. Active through to the 1960s. Conductor D. Ruddock in 1883

**Mickley Square Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Mickley Colliery Brass Band*

**Mickley Temperance Band**

See: *Mickley Tynedale Temperance Band*



**Mickley Tynedale Temperance Band** - High Mickley, Northumberland  
 Formed in 1899 and still active in 1947. Conductor J. Glanville in 1902

**Mid Hants Youth Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Mid Oxon Brass** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in the 1990s

**Mid Rhondda Band** - Glamorgan  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Thomas Coaches Mid Rhondda Brass Band*

**Mid Sussex Brass Band** - Sussex  
 [current band] - Founded in 1986 - Formed by merger of Burgess Hill Brass Band and Haywards Heath Town Band

**Middle Class School Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex  
 Active in 1867. The school was located at Bath Street, City Road, opening in October 1866 with 700 pupils. Its intent was to “provide for boys who are destined for commercial life”

**Middle Rasen Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Founded in early 1857

**Middleham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in 1854

**Middlesbrough (Dovecot) Brass**  
 See: *Yarm and District Band*

**Middlesbrough Alexandra Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1860s to 1868

**Middlesbrough and North Ormesby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 See: *North Ormesby and Middlesbrough Brass Band*

**Middlesbrough Artillery Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in 1887

**Middlesbrough Borough Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Formed in 1901 as the Middlesbrough Trades Band, conductor James Wilson. Still active in the 1950s

**Middlesbrough Catholic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 See: *St Mary's Catholic Brass Band (Middlesbrough)*

**Middlesbrough Comrades Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1920s

**Middlesbrough Erimus Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1890s to WW1. Bandmaster T. Winter in 1899

**Middlesbrough Industrial School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Middlesbrough Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Formed in 1866, active up to WW2. Conductor, A. Milburn in the early days. Bandmaster Mr Moore in 1905. Also known as the Submarine Miners (Royal Engineers) Band in the 1890s and 1900s

**Middlesbrough National Reserve Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1930s

**Middlesbrough Police Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Founded in 1868, disbanded in 1903

**Middlesbrough Postal Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1910s, reforming after WW1 in 1919, bandmaster T. White

- Middlesbrough Pottery Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active from 1851 to 1857
- Middlesbrough St Mary's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *St Mary's Catholic Brass Band (Middlesbrough)*
- Middlesbrough Tees Ironworks Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Teesside Ironworks Brass Band*
- Middlesbrough Temperance Band (1)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active from the early 1880s to 1896. It promoted some band contests in the mid-1890s.  
Possibly folded and then re-emerged in 1898
- Middlesbrough Temperance Band (2)** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Formed in 1898, bandmaster William Suttill until his death in 1906. Secretary T. Simpson in 1900
- Middlesbrough Trades Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Middlesborough Borough Silver Prize Band*
- Middlesbrough Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- Middlesbrough Workhouse Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1888
- Middlesex Volunteer Band**  
Active in the 1890s
- Middlesmoor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Formed in the 1850s and folded sometime in the 1860s.
- Middleton and Rhodes Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1870 to 1884
- Middleton and Rhodes United Band**  
See: *Middleton and Rhodes Brass Band*
- Middleton and Teesdale Band** - Durham  
[current band] - Founded in the 1850s
- Middleton and Tonge Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s, conductor James Schofield
- Middleton Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1876 - Former names: Middleton Brass Band, (The Pop and Ale Boys), Middleton Public Band (1884), Middleton Borough Brass Band (1887)
- Middleton Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Middleton Band*
- Middleton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Middleton Band*
- Middleton Cheyney Wesleyan Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Caleb Charles in 1908
- Middleton Home Guard Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1942
- Middleton Junction Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster Ernest Stringer in 1906
- Middleton Junction Public Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s

**Middleton Main Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Associated with the colliery owned by John Neal at Middleton near Leeds. Active in the 1900s

**Middleton Mission Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Mr Frost conductor in 1887

**Middleton Perserverance Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1882, when it competed in a contest at Kersley, Bolton.

**Middleton Public Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Middleton Band*

**Middleton Victoria Silver Band** - Middleton by Wirksworth, Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and onwards. Sam Spencer conductor in 1900. "We had then the Middleton Victoria Silver Prize Band, around thirty men and youths were in it and Joe Sam Spencer, who lived two doors below me, used to train the new starters how to play a cornet or other instrument. He was the conductor of the band and of our chapel. At the last Sunday School Anniversary he conducted he said it was the best singing he had heard for some time. Middleton Band was well known years ago and used to play at the Baseball Ground when Derby County Football Club played at home, several friends used to walk round the ground at half time with a white sheet collecting money for band funds." Won the Spondon Contest in 1926, conducted by H. Holmes. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by F. Boylin. In 1964 it amalgamated with the Brassington Band and Wirksworth Band to form the BMW band, practising at Wirksworth.

**Middleton Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Middleton Cheyney, Northamptonshire

Active in 1908

**Middleton-by-Wirksworth Brass Band**

See: *Middleton Victoria Silver Band*

**Middlewich Brass Band (1)** - Cheshire

Active in the 1850s, conductor Charles Revett in 1855

**Middlewich Brass Band (2)** - Cheshire

Founded in 1884, still active in the 1900s

**Middlewich Centenary Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1930s to the 1970s

**Middlewich Congregational Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Middlewich Harmonic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1860

**Middlewich Town Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Roberts Bakery Band*

**Middlezoy Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1890s to 1930s. Conductor A. Bradley in 1898, G. Brown in 1930

**Mid-Essex Brass Band** - Chelmsford, Essex

Active from the late 1890s to 1919 - George Lee conductor through that period.

**Mid-Hants Schools Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Hampshire County Youth Band*

**Midhurst Amateur Band** - Sussex

Founded in 1905, conductor A.R. Richardson. Mr Dyer conductor in 1923, also C.H. Jeans conducted that year. Active through to at least 1961. Also known as Midhurst Town Band

**Midhurst Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1867

**Midhurst Town Band (1)** - Sussex

Active from the late 1870s to the mid-1890s. Conductor A.F. Page in 1890

**Midhurst Town Band (2)** - Sussex

See: *Midhurst Amateur Band*

**Midland Amateur Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in 1866, conductor Henry Nicholson. The band consisted of 14 employees of Evans & Stafford Co. in Campbell Street, who were agricultural seed merchants, grocers, and cigar manufacturers

**Midland and South Western Junction Railway Band** - Cirencester, Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1900s to WW1.

**Midland Brewery Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s

**Midland Locomotive (Child's Hill) Band**

See: *Midland Railway Loco Works Band*

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Bedford, Bedfordshire

See: *Bedford Midland Railway Brass Band*

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Bradford Midland Railway Brass Band*

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

See: *Derby Midland Railway Brass Band*

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Manchester Midland Railway Band*

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1897 and the 1900s

**Midland Railway Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Sheffield Midland Railway Brass Band*

**Midland Railway Company Servants' Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

See: *Leicester Midland Railway Workmen's Band*

**Midland Railway Loco Works Band** - Child's Hill, Middlesex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Also known as St Pancras Midland Railway Band.  
Bandmaster H. Williams in 1902

**Midland Railway Servants' Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1899

**Midsomer Norton and Radstock Silver Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1980

**Midsomer Norton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1870s into the early 1900s

**Midsomer Norton Marching Brass** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1981

**Midsomer Norton Old Band**

See: *Midsomer Norton Brass Band*

**Midsomer Norton Silver Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s to 1930s - contemporary with the Midsomer Norton Town Band

**Midsomer Norton Temperance Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1900s

**Midsomer Norton Town Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s to 1930s - contemporary with the Midsomer Norton Silver Band

**Milborne Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Milborne Port Brass Band*

**Milborne Port Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1858 to 1869

**Milborne Reformatory Brass Band** - Milborne St Andrew, Dorset

See: *Dorset County Industrial School for Boys Band*

**Milburn Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Milburn Union Brass Band*

**Milburn Union Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1861 to 1868

**Milburn's Band**

See: *Leeds Milburn's Band*

**Milburn's Model Brass Band**

See: *Middlesbrough Model Brass Band*

**Mildenhall British Legion Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1930s

**Mile End (Old Town) Workhouse Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1860. This was a juvenile brass band formed of the children at the workhouse school. Conductor Mr Froggett in 1865. Still active in 1865

**Mile End Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex

Active in the 1900s through to WW1. In 1905 the bandmaster was H. Wheeler

**Mile End Scattered Homes Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s. The eleven homes were operated by the Mile End Union in Mile End Old Town, housing 159 children. The original Mile End Old Town workhouse was in Bancroft Road, with the "scattered homes" each being less than five minutes walk away.

**Mile End Schools Band** - Middlesex

See: *Mile End Scattered Homes Brass Band*

**Miles Aircraft Works Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1940s, after WW2. The works were based at Woodley Aerodrome, near Reading.

**Miles Platting Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the mid-1870s through to the 1890s. Became associated with the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway.

**Miles Platting Mission Band** - Lancashire

The mission was founded in 1884, and the band at the same time. Active through to the early 1980s

**Milford Haven Town Band** - Pembrokeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Milford Junction N.E.R. Band** - South Milford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Milford Junction Silver Band*

**Milford Junction Silver Band** - South Milford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s. Performed at Monk Fryston Hall in 1907

**Mill Bank Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Mill Bank Subscription Brass Band**

*See: Mill Bank Brass Band*

**Mill Brow Wesleyan Sunday School Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire

Active in 1882, conductor George Thomas, still active in 1891 when they played a concert at Birkenhead Park.

**Mill Hill Bleachworks Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

*See: Messrs Blair and Sumner's Brass Band*

**Mill Hill Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1853, conductor George Ellis. Associated with the spinning and weaving mills owned by George Whiteley & Co., who also had a juvenile drum and fife band attached to the works. The spinning factory had 30,000 mule spindles and the weaving shed 480 looms powered by a double beam engine by Woods Bros. of Sowerby Bridge. Still active in 1861

**Milland Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1907

**Millbrook Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1861 into the 1870s

**Millbrook Young Men's Association Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1869, conductor Mr Butt

**Miller and Richard's Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Miller and Richard's were a world famous Edinburgh type foundry, supplying type to print firms all over the globe

**Miller Street Mission Brass Band** - Motherwell, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Millfield School Brass Band** - Street, Somerset

Active in the 1970s

**Millgate Amateur Brass Band** - Facit, Lancashire

Active from the early 1880s. Conductor John Abbott in 1885, D. Grindrod in 1887.

Secretary A. Wilson in 1918, at which time, due to the war, there were only four playing members left. Wound up in the courts as of 14th February 1921

**Millgate Park Temperance Band**

*See: Millgate Amateur Brass Band*

**Millom Ironworks Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s

**Millom St James' Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s

**Millom Town Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1870s

**Millom Wesleyan Mission Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Stephens in 1909

**Millwall Iron Works Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1857 (as Millwall Phoenix Amateur Brass Band) and the 1860s, associated with the Millwall Iron Works, Ship Building and Graving Docks Company Ltd.

**Millwall Phoenix Amateur Brass Band** - Middlesex

*See: Millwall Iron Works Brass Band*

**Millward's Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1859

**Milnathort Brass Band** - Kinrossshire

Active in the 1870s. Conductor at one time was David Carmichael

**Milngavie Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1863 and in the 1890s to 1914

**Milnrow Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1998 by the amalgamation of Milnrow Brass Band with Rochdale Co-op Band to form United Norwest Co-op Milnrow Band

**Milnrow Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active from 1858 to the 1900s. Conductor N. Brown in 1860. Also known as Milnrow Public Band. A successor band was formed in 1914

**Milnrow Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Formed in 1914 as St Stephen's Brass Band, later, between the two wars, known as Butterworth Brass Band and then Milnrow Brass Band Club Band. Merged with Rochdale Co-operative Band in 1998 to form United Norwest Co-op Milnrow Band.

**Milnrow Public Band**

See: *Milnrow Brass Band*

**Milnsbridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s, 1870s through to the 1930s. Became known as Milnsbridge Socialist Brass Band from around 1908 onwards, conductor Mr Singleton.

**Milnsbridge Socialist Brass Band**

See: *Milnsbridge Brass Band*

**Milnthorpe Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active from the 1840s to the 1880s

**Milnthorpe Miners Band** - Westmorland

[current band]

**Milnthorpe Volunteer Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1902

**Milnwood Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Founded in 1897 and active through the 1900s. Also known as Milnwood Colliery Band. Was conducted by John McCubbrey, who was considered the doyen of Scottish bandmasters at the time of his death. He was a pupil of Professor Hardy of Glasgow Conservatory who was, in turn, a pupil of Franz Liszt. The band was Brass Band Champion of Scotland in 1902. At some point it apparently was also known as the 2nd Lanarkshire Royal Engineers Band, and Milnwood, Mossend and Clydesdale Brass Band

**Milnwood Colliery Band**

See: *Milnwood Brass Band*

**Milnwood Concert Brass**

See: *Scottish Gas Board Band*

**Milnwood Town Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1980s

**Milnwood, Mossend and Clydesdale Brass Band**

See: *Milnwood Brass Band*

**Milton Abbas Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1863 through to 1883, also known as Abbey Milton Brass Band

**Milton Abbey Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Milton Abbas Brass Band*

**Milton Amateur Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *Great Milton Brass Band*

**Milton and Ashley Temperance Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor F. Knight (based at New Milton)

**Milton Brass Band** - Great Milton, Oxfordshire

See: *Great Milton Brass Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex

See: *Milton Yard Ragged School Brass Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Milton Damerel, Devon

See: *Milton Damerel Amateur Brass Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Milton Malsor, Northamptonshire

See: *Milton Malsor Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Milton Regis, Kent

See: *Milton Regis Brass Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Milton Abbas Brass Band*

**Milton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Milton, near Newcastle-under-Lyme. Active from 1873. Conductor A. Shufflebotham in 1876.

**Milton Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Whins of Milton Brass Band*

**Milton Damerel Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active from 1864 to 1902. Conductor Mr Saunders in 1886

**Milton Industrial School Band** - Farnborough, Hampshire

Active in the early 1900s. The school opened in 1898 to house children who were placed there by magistrates courts for reasons such as having been found begging or homeless, or frequenting with thieves or prostitutes, or who had committed an imprisonable offence while under the age of 12. The school closed in 1954.

**Milton Industrial School Band** - Gravesend, Kent

Active in 1896. The Milton Industrial School for Boys was established in 1875 at Parrock Hall on Joy Road, Milton, to accomodate 160 'delinquent' boys. A report of 1896 states: "There is a brass band of twenty-six under careful instruction. Emigration to Canada is largely used as a means of disposal for the boys."

**Milton Instrumental Band** - Stirlingshire

See: *Whins of Milton Brass Band*

**Milton Ironworks Brass Band** - Elsecar, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858, composed of workmen from the foundry owned by Messrs W.H. and George Dawes.

**Milton Keynes Brass** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1984 - Former names: Broseley Brass (to 2007)

**Milton Malsor Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1870s into the 1940s. Conductor W. Bailey in 1887, Thomas Leaver in 1890. During the Second World War the BBC broadcast a series of talks by "Mr Middleton" on the Home Service encouraging people to grow their own food in support of the Government's "Dig for Victory" campaign. Middleton was the first celebrity gardener, and during the war years nearly 3,500,00 listened to his popular and practical broadcasts. Edith Sharp remembers listening to those talks well and she tells how each



year a Produce Show would be held in Milton with Mr Middleton attending and talking to his audience through the different sections. Milton Brass Band provided the music on these occasions. One year the village denizens were gathered round their radios to listen in. The band struck up, and for a time everything was fine. Then one or two wrong notes crept in. The playing got worse and worse until the piece ended in uproar. What had happened? Well the band were playing out of doors and a sudden breeze sprang up lifting the loose sheet music off the players' stands. Determined not to let anyone down, the bandsmen pluckily kept playing without their music with the inevitable result.

**Milton Regis Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Milton Temperance Brass Band - Milton under Wychwood,**

Active in 1893

**Milton under Wychwood Band - Oxfordshire**

Active around 1907

**Milton Yard Ragged School Brass Band - Islington, Middlesex**

Active in 1866 to 1868

**Milverton Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in 1862 to 1864

**Milverton Gas Works Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in 1868

**Minchinhampton Town Band - Gloucestershire**

Formed in 1860, it played in and around the Cotswolds until it folded in the mid 1920s. Conductor W.A. Jones in 1864. A brief history of the band is available in the booklet - "History Of Minchinhampton Town Band" by Trevor G. Picken (1977). Minutes of the band (1882-1893) are held in the Gloucestershire Archives.

**Minehead Brass Band - Somerset**

Founded in 1863, active to the 1970s

**Minehead Town Band**

See: *Minehead Brass Band*

**Minera National School Brass Band - Denbighshire**

Active in 1891

**Miners' Saxtuba Band - St Austell, Cornwall**

See: *St Austell Saxtuba Brass Band*

**Minster Brass Band - Isle of Thanet, Kent**

Founded in 1864, conductor E. Barnes (who was the local organist). Still active in 1865

**Minsterley Brass Band (1) - Shropshire**

Active in 1852, folding prior to the mid-1860s

**Minsterley Brass Band (2) - Shropshire**

Founded in 1868, conductor Job Parry, rehearsing in the National Schoolroom once a week. First rehearsal on 5th December 1868

**Mirfield Baptist Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in 1899

**Mirfield Brass Band**

See: *Mirfield Old Band*

**Mirfield British Rail Band**

See: *British Railways (Mirfield) Band*

**Mirfield Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to WW1. At some point it was linked to the volunteers, becoming 41st West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers (Mirfield) Band.

**Mirfield Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950s

**Mirrlees Blackstone Works Band**

See: *Mirrlees Works Band*

**Mirrlees Works Band** - Hazel Grove, Cheshire

Formed in August 1949, disbanded in 1980. Also known as the Mirlees Blackstone Works Band.

**Mission Church Brass Band**

Coleridge Road Mission, Darnall, Sheffield. Active in 1903 formed some years before that.

**Misterton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1874 to the mid-1880s

**Misterton Mission Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

**Mitcham and Wimbledon Gas Company Band**

See: *Berkeley Teetotal Society Band*

**Mitcham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1850s to 1900s. Secretary Mr Farnfield in 1877. Conductor G. (or F.) Weight in 1889. It was the 8th Surrey Rifles Band prior to 1875.

**Mitcham Gas Works Band**

See: *Berkeley Teetotal Society Band*

**Mitcham Poor Law Schools Band**

See: *Holborn Schools Brass Band*

**Mitcham Temperance Band** - Surrey

Active in 1898

**Mitcheldean Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1840s to 1860s. A successor band was formed in the late 1880s or 1890.

**Mitcheldean Town Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed around 1890 and folded in 1914.

**Mitchell and Darfield Miners' Institute Band**

See: *Mitchell's Main and Darfield Band*

**Mitchell's Main and Darfield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Based at Darfield, near Barnsley. Active in the 1980s

**Mixbury Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1862 to 1868

**Mixenden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Mixenden Mill Brass Band*

**Mixenden Mill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1850. Headed the procession at the laying of the foundation stone of Ogden Water reservoir near Halifax, in August 1854. Still active in the 1870s

**Mizpah Gospel Mission Brass Band** - Southsea, Hampshire

Active in 1904, mission located in St Paul's Road

**Modbury Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in July 1838. Cost of instruments and music was met through public subscription. Still active in the 1880s.

**Moderna Blanket Works Band**

See: *Cragg Vale and Mytholmroyd Band*

**Moel Tryfan Brass Band**

See: *Rhosgadfan Brass Band*

**Moeltryfan Silver Prize Band**

See: *Rhosgadfan Brass Band*

**Moffat Town Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s . In 1888 there was a major upset, resulting in most of the players resigning. Still active in 1918.

**Moira Colliery Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the mid-1890s to the 1930s. Conductor J. Astle in 1908. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor Jas. Astle (drawn 7 of 11 bands, they were placed 2nd)

**Mold Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1840s to 1900s

**Mold Green United Band**

See: *Moldgreen Brass Band*

**Mold Volunteers Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor William Griffiths in 1881

**Moldgreen Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor was Abraham Wood in 1888.

**Mole Valley Silver Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1881 - Former names: Leatherhead Town Band, Bookham and District Silver Band (1947-1974)

**Molesey Brass Band**

See: *Molesey Mechanics Band*

**Molesey Mechanics Band** - Surrey

Active in 1891 and also in 1892 when, resplendent in their new uniforms of blue and gold, then were playing raising funds for Molesey Hospital. Still active into the 1900s

**Molinnis Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1871, conducted by T. Manhire. Played for a Sunday school in Luxulyan in 1875.

**Molland Brass Band** - Devon

Active around 1900

**Mond Silver Band** - Clydach, Glamorgan

See: *Mond's Nickel Works Band*

**Mond's Nickel Works Band** - Clydach, Glamorgan

Founded in 1906, active through to WW1. A learners' class was started in 1916 under A.E. Sherwood

**Monifieth Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1865

**Monk Bretton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1895 to 1910. Secretary William Hellewell, jun. in 1904

**Monk Bridge Iron Works Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s. Played at the celebrations for the laying of the foundation stone for the Holbeck Mechanics Institute, in March 1858

**Monk Fryston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1859

**Monkbridge Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Monk Bridge Iron Works Brass Band*

**Monklands Concert Brass**

See: *Airdrie Union Band*

**Monklands Youth Brass Band** - Airdrie, Lanarkshire

Founded in 1980

**Monkokehampton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1863, conductor Mr Whilley

**Monks Risborough Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1880s through to the late 1920s. The conductor in W. Martin in 1889, Mr Protheroe in 1897, C. Tucker in 1902, T. Eldridge in 1925.

**Monksilver Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1864

**Monkton Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Tarrant Monkton Brass Band*

**Monkton Combe Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1901

**Monkton Temperance Brass Band**

See: *Tarrant Monkton Brass Band*

**Monktonhall Colliery Silver Band** - Midlothian

Formed in 1918, it was then registered as a competing band in 1921 as "Prestonlinks Colliery Silver Band". Early bandmasters/conductors include John Hay, a well-known name in the music 'industry' locally, whose son Ian (who was taught in the band) went on to become a professional musician and Head Teacher of Music at Preston Lodge High School. The pit closed in the early 1960's. The band then became known as "Prestonpans and District Silver Band" until the sponsorship from the Monktonhall Colliery came along. Merged with Dalkeith Burgh Band in 1989 to form Dalkeith and Monktonhall Brass Band.

**Monkwearmouth Brass Band**

See: *Monkwearmouth Operatic Brass Band*

**Monkwearmouth Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in 1858 and 1871

**Monkwearmouth Engine Works Band** - Durham

Active in 1865, conductor William Southern. Still active in the 1870s

**Monkwearmouth Harmonic Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1908

**Monkwearmouth Lodge Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1949 - Former names: Hylton Colliery Silver Band (to 1980)

**Monkwearmouth Lodge Band**

See: *Hylton Colliery Silver Band*

**Monkwearmouth Operatic Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the late 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor W. Southern in 1869

**Monmouth Band** - Monmouthshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1968

**Monmouth Battalion Band, 3rd**  
 See: *3rd Monmouth Battalion Band*

**Monmouth Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
 Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Monmouth Rechabite Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
 Active in 1844

**Monmouth Street Primitive Mission Band** - Abbey Hey, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1907, conductor Mr Badcock

**Monmouthshire Reformatory for Boys Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
 The Monmouthshire Reformatory School for Boys was certified for operation February 7th, 1859. Its was located at Little Mill, in the parish of Mamhilad, near Pontypool. The brass band was formed in 1910. The school closed in 1922.

**Monotype Works Band** - Redhill, Surrey  
 Active in the 1940s and 1950s. The Monotype Band featured in a film made in 1958 of the Brockham Green Medieval Festival.

**Monsanto Chemical Works Band** - Cefn-Mawr, Denbighshire  
 Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Monsanto Silver Band**  
 See: *Monsanto Chemical Works Band*

**Montgomery Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire  
 Active in 1852

**Montgomeryshire County Youth Band** - Montgomeryshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *North Powys County Youth Band*

**Montpellier Brass Band** - Cheltenham, Gloucestershire  
 Active in 1862

**Montrose Brass Band** - Angus  
 Active from 1860 to the 1880s. A successor band was formed in 1894 by James Watson and is still active.

**Montrose Caledonian Brass Band** - Angus  
 Active in 1865

**Montrose Silver Band** - Angus  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Montrose Town Band*

**Montrose Town Band** - Angus  
 [current band] - Founded in 1894 - Former names: Montrose Silver Band

**Montsaye School Brass Band** - Rothwell, Northamptonshire  
 Active in the 1980s

**Monument Church Ladies' Brass Band** - London (City)  
 Founded in 1918

**Monway Iron Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
 Active in 1873

**Monxton Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1863, conductor James Bennett

**Monyash Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
 Active in 1863

**Monyash Brass Band (2) - Derbyshire**

Active from 1878 to 1902

**Moon's Mill Brass Band - Higher Walton, Lancashire**

Active in 1884

**Moor End Brass Band**

See: *Rudland and Fadmoor Band*

**Moor Row Old Brass Band - Cumberland**

Founded in 1871. Active in 1897, when they held a picnic at St. Bees on Easter Monday.

“On Sunday January 30, 1902, under the leadership of Mr. Benn, the band played suitable sacred music through the streets of Moor Row. The selections which were appreciated by the villagers, included the “Dead March in Saul.” This was played as a mark of respect to Private W. R. Nicholson who died of enteric fever in South Africa.” In March 1903, a social gathering promoted by the committee of the band was held in the Board Schoolroom. “There was a very large attendance and the event was of a highly satisfactory character in every way. The object of this gathering was to raise funds to renew and repair the instruments.” The band was still active up to 1939.

**Moorside County Secondary School Brass Band - Caverswall, Staffordshire**

Active in the 1960s

**Moorswater Brass Band - Cornwall**

Moorswater, a few miles west of Liskeard had a band that received some publicity 1880/81. In that short period they carried out several engagements, but no Cornish contests. It is probable that their conductor was a man called Bray. Active in the early 1900s

**Moorthwaite Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active in 1867. Moorthwaite is near Hornsby on the River Eden

**Moray Concert Brass - Morayshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1992

**Morchard Bishop Brass Band - Devon**

Active from 1853 to the early 1900s

**Morchard Bishop Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Morchard Bishop Brass Band*

**Morchard Brass Band**

See: *Morchard Bishop Brass Band*

**Morden Brass Band - Dorset**

Active in 1862

**Mordialloc Brass Band**

See: *Mordialloc City Band*

**Morecambe and Heysham Borough Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Morecambe Brass Band*

**Morecambe and Heysham Silver Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Morecambe Brass Band*

**Morecambe Borough Band - Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Morecambe Brass Band*

**Morecambe Brass Band**

See: *Morecambe Subscription Brass Band*

**Morecambe Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1904 - Former names: Morecambe Borough Band, Morecambe & Heysham Borough Band, Morecambe & Heysham Silver Band, Lancashire Life and Lake District Life Morecambe Brass Band (to 2004)

**Morecambe Grammar School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s

**Morecambe Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1904 (the current Morecambe Brass Band)

**Moresby Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s

**Moresby Colliery Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1920s to 1950s. George Kirkby was the conductor in 1931

**Moresby Park Colliery Band**

See: *Moresby Colliery Band*

**Moresby Parks Colliery Band**

See: *Moresby Colliery Band*

**Moreton Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1896

**Moreton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Moreton-in-the-Marsh Brass Band*

**Moreton Brass Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Moreton Paddox Brass Band*

**Moreton Paddox Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1862

**Moreton Post Office Brass Band** - Moreton-in-the-Marsh, Gloucestershire

Founded in 1903. Active to the 1910s

**Moretonhampstead Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1852

**Moreton-in-the-Marsh Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1853 to 1869

**Moreton-in-the-Marsh Brass Band (2)** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1924

**Morfa Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in 1890

**Morgan's Cwmtawe Brass Band**

See: *Cwmtawe Brass Band*

**Moria and Donisthorpe Band**

[no information]

**Morland Moderna Band**

See: *Moderna Blanket Works Band*

**Morley Borough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Morley Brass Band*

**Morley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1848 from the earlier Morley Reed Band. Leader John Lobley in 1860, conductor John Pool in 1861. Ceres Jackson was one of the band's greatest players. Jackson was an orphan boy brought up at the New Inn, Churwell. Those who played

with him said that his tongue was like a snake and he could 'triple tongue' with ease, this is a rare accomplishment which is essential if greatness is to be achieved. Jackson was the cornet soloist when the Black Dyke Band toured America 1906/1908. During the late Edwardian period he was in constant demand as soloist in the great 'Messiah' performances. Once in the Coliseum at Leeds, where Dame Clara Butt and David Hughes were performing before an audience of 3,000, his rendering of The Trumpet Shall Sound. so electrified the company he had to take ten curtain calls. He was engaged later to conduct local bands but his impatience with those less talented than himself made him disliked. The Morley Band for over 70 years was a power in the competitive field and won many prizes. Harry Castle was the last permanent conductor, Arthur Hopwood the principal cornetist. The year before the band was taken over by the British Legion they won the West Riding Band Contest at Knottingley Town Hall, when they were conducted by Bernard Behrens of the Black Dyke Band. Active until late 1940s or early 1950s, when the band became Morley British Legion Band. Presumed to have folded in the late 1950s, early 1960s.

**Morley British Legion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Morley Brass Band*

**Morley Family Juvenile Brass Band** - London

Active in 1853

**Morley Juvenile Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed by Mr Jim Isaacs in 1910. Mr G.E. Baines was the patron of this group of youngsters. They performed many times in Dartmouth Park and gave concerts in many other towns in the West Riding. The band also included girl players. The band disbanded in 1914 after the start of WW1. (Another report gives the band forming in 1913 and still active in 1918)

**Morley Parrock Nook Anthem Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1906

**Morley Textile Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the late 1930s

**Morley Wing A.T.C. Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active during WW2, 1944

**Morningside Band** - Midlothian

Active around 1900, conductor Tom Challoner

**Morpeth Band of Hope Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1859, conductor Mr Miller

**Morpeth Borough Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1894, conductor Joseph P. Thompson. In 1901 a silver matchstick holder was presented by the band to J.W. English.

**Morpeth Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from the 1840s to the 1890s

**Morpeth V.B.N.F. Band**

See: *Morpeth Volunteer Band*

**Morpeth Volunteer Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1889 and 1894, conductor John Jobson

**Morris Concert Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*



## **Morris Motor Works Band**

See: *Morris Motors Band*

### **Morris Motors Band** - Oxford, Oxfordshire

Formed in 1924 from employees of Morris Motors it grew from its recreational beginnings to become a leading band under the guidance of Harry Mortimer. Founded as part of William Morris' welfare drive, it soon started entering national competitions, winning the Crystal Palace Grand Shield in the 1930s. A signature tune, *The Morris March*, was written for them by Beresford, which is featured on a programme of 1926. The band was temporarily disbanded at the beginning of the Second World War, reviving in 1943 to play to workers in the factory canteen. Between 1946 and 1955 the band went from strength to strength under the leadership of its inspirational conductor Harry Mortimer, becoming one of the country's leading brass bands. During its long career, the band made over 500 radio broadcasts and several television appearances, also performing at folk dances, in music halls and in park bandstands. Changed name to Morris Concert Band round 1972-3 and back to Morris Motors in about 1979. Some reminiscences from Stephen Bourne, who played for Morris Motors in the 1970's and early 80's: "There were strong ties to the Ercol Furniture Band throughout this time through the resident Conductor Walter Rees who was musical director for Ercol and also with Witney Sliver Band through Peter the baritone player, who conducted Witney. Whenever Witney or Ercol did a gig you could guarantee a fair numbers of Morris Players would be amongst them. I travelled to and from London in the car with Harry Mortimer (or HM as he preferred) every Monday and Wednesday for rehearsal in the band room at Morris Factory. We did many concerts as part of the famed "Men O'Brass" mass bands of Fairey, Fodens (or City of Coventry for a while) and Morris. There are still a number of recordings of this massed band around today. Morris Motors last appeared in the National Finals at the Royal Albert Hall in 1981, when the Test Piece was *Blitz* (I still remember learning it - unpleasant - give me some Vinter or Ball any day). We regularly appeared on "Friday Night is music night!" live from the Golders Green Hippodrome on Radio 2. Robin Boyle from Radio 2 who compared the show was a friend of HM's. As a result HM managed to get him to comper the British Open, then held in Belle Vue Manchester. I was an official in those days, responsible for taking lunch to the adjudicators and organising distribution of programmes. The Open contest was stopped for an hour between bands because of an IRA bomb threat, I think in 1978 (I could be a year out) but continued afterwards. I do remember the challenge of keeping the adjudicators out of the way. The demise of the Morris band occurred in Harry's later days. The motor works had offered jobs and time to rehearse to players during the bands heydays (50's and 60's) and there was a strong Welsh Mafia in the band (or "tafia" as it became called). By the late 70's band though, moving to Oxford to work in the now stricken car industry was not a very attractive proposition. Around this time, and certainly until 1980, there were still no women in the band and, believe or not, no women were allowed on the band bus. This was true at Fairey and Fodens too. I remember the shock when City of Coventry came to their first Men of Brass with women in the band. In 1981 the first lady joined Morris' and the "old guard" were unhappy about it. Funny now to even think about such a World just 28 years ago." The band folded in the late 1990s. As the car industry changed, the band's name also changed to Austin Rover Morris Motors Band, Austin Rover Group Band, Rover Band, B.M.C. Band. Also occasionally known as Cowley Brass Band

**Morrison and Busty Collieries Band** - Annfield Plain, Durham

Formed in the 1920s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s.  
Renamed as Consett Brass in 1974.

**Morrison Busty Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Consett Band*

**Morrison Busty Colliery Band**

See: *Morrison and Busty Collieries Band*

**Morrison Busty Lodge Band**

See: *Morrison and Busty Collieries Band*

**Morrison North Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s

**Morrison Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Actually founded in Bristol by an English family named Hanney. The band bodily moved into Wales in the 1860s, conductor George Hanney. A rival band was formed by the local Welshmen which resulted in a private contest in 1875. The "English" band won and went on to absorb its rival. Still active in the late 1890s

**Mortimer Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1852

**Mortlake Band** - Surrey

Active around 1900

**Morton Parochial Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1887

**Morvah and St Just Band**

See: *Morvah Brass Band*

**Morvah Brass Band** - Cornwall

Morvah can be found about 4 miles north of St Just at Land's End. They were certainly carrying out engagements in 1856 but under the title "Morvah and St Just Band." As there was at that time a St Just Band, what can we make of this title? Possibly the neither band had enough players to be independently able to take on engagements, thereby joining up for while? Whatever, by 1863 Morvah had enough players to call themselves "Morvah Brass Band" and enter a contest in Redruth. This was the only contest they played at, the test music being "Denmark Quadrille" and "Lament for Wellington." For this event they were conducted by R Williams, but were unplaced. Still active in 1866

**Morwenstow Band** - Cornwall

Formed around 1868 and conducted for the next 37 years (!) by John Cholwill. There were at least three other Cholwills in the band - Archie, Harold, and Claude. The band, situated in the very far north of Cornwall, carried on up to WW2 carrying out the usual run of engagements of the time. After WW2 it does seem that an attempt was made to reform the band by accepting a Carnival engagement that was raising funds to welcome ex-servicemen coming home, but nothing is heard of them after that. Who conducted them from 1905 is not recorded, but in 1937 W H Pitman was in the chair. No Cornish contests were ever attended.

**Mosborough Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in April 1853, conductor Edwin Keeton. The Worksop Journal reported that on Whit Monday 1856, when three Friendly Societies formed a procession, three Bands took part. After the procession to the Parish Church and Divine Service, they dined at various hostelries. The Old Abbey Club dined at the Corn Exchange where Mr Marshall of the

Greyhound Inn catered for 240 persons. The Mosbro' Band attended and played appropriate airs after each toast. The Golden Ball Friendly Society dined in their large room.... and the Sherwood Rangers Band contributed to the pleasure of the day. The Wheat Sheaf Club dined at the club room of the Wheat Sheaf Inn, and the Sutton Brass Band very much delighted the Society with their performances. The band was still active in 1865

**Mosborough Victoria Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1863

**Moseley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Moseley Park Band**

See: *Moseley Brass Band*

**Moss Bank Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active around the 1900s

**Moss Lane Works Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in 1866. This was the works band of John Tatham and Sons, manufacturers of mill machinery

**Moss Rose Community Brass Band** - Macclesfield, Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 2009

**Moss Side Ironworks Brass Band** - Lower Ince, Lancashire

Active in the early 1880s

**Mossend Beardmore Welfare Works Band**

See: *Beardmore's Works Brass Band*

**Mossend Emmet Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1920s

**Mossend Roman Catholic Band**

See: *Bellshill and Mossend Roman Catholic Band*

**Mossend St Vincent Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Conductor A. Copland in 1921

**Mossley (Home Guard) 35th Cheshire Regiment Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *St John's (Mossley) Band*

**Mossley Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s, contemporary with the Mossley Temperance Band (the current Mossley Band). Still active in 1868

**Mossley Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1841 - Former names: Mossley Temperance Saxhorn Band, Mossley Temperance Band, Mossley Borough Band

**Mossley Borough Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Mossley Band*

**Mossley Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Mossley Amateur Brass Band*

**Mossley Destruction Prize Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1906

**Mossley Druids' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1861 to 1868. Contemporary with the Mossley Amateur Brass Band

**Mossley Hollins High School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Mossley St John's Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1980

**Mossley Temperance Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Mossley Band*

**Mossley Temperance Saxhorn Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Mossley Band*

**Moston and Beswick Band** - Lancashire

See: *Streetfold Band*

**Moston and Beswick Manchester Band** - Lancashire

See: *Streetfold Band*

**Moston Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in 1851

**Moston Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

See: *Streetfold Band*

**Moston Brook Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1979

**Moston Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1883, still active in 1889

**Mostyn and Llannerch-y-mor Band**

See: *Llannerch-y-mor Brass Band*

**Mostyn Hall Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1920s

**Motcombe Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1866

**Motherwell and Hamilton Palace Colliery Band**

See: *Motherwell and Palace Colliery Band*

**Motherwell and Palace Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Motherwell and Wishaw Band** - Lanarkshire

Probably formed after WW1. Active from the early 1920s to the 1950s. Later known as Motherwell and Wishaw Citizens' Band.

**Motherwell and Wishaw Citizens' Band**

See: *Motherwell and Wishaw Band*

**Motherwell and Wishaw Town Band**

See: *Motherwell and Wishaw Band*

**Motherwell Brass Band**

See: *Motherwell Town Band (1)*

**Motherwell Christian Institute Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1892 into the 1900s, conductor John Somerville in 1899

**Motherwell Hallelujah Mission Band**

See: *Hallelujah Mission Silver Band*

**Motherwell League of the Cross Band**

See: *Motherwell League of the Silver Cross Band*

**Motherwell League of the Silver Cross Band** - Lanarkshire

Formed around 1905, still active in the 1920s

**Motherwell Miller Street Mission Band**

See: *Miller Street Mission Brass Band*

**Motherwell Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1920s

**Motherwell St Brides Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the mid-1940s

**Motherwell Town Band (1)** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1880s to WW1. Report from the Motherwell Times, Friday 14th. June 1901: "The New Masonic Halls - Laying the Memorial Stone. .... (after the ceremony's close). Thereafter the company was again arranged in processional order, and proceeded by way of Muir Street, Milton Street, Calder Street, and Merry Street to the Town Hall, where the Lodge was closed in due form. The bands which accompanied the procession were the Coltness Silver Band, and the Motherwell Town Silver Band both of which more than maintained their reputation for first class music. The band was taken over by the council in 1909.

**Motherwell Town Band (2)**

See: *Motherwell and Wishaw Band*

**Mottram and Broadbottom Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Steve Shaw conductor in 1907

**Mottram Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from 1856 to the early 1900s

**Moulton 77 Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Moulton Adult School Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J.C. Cox in 1909

**Moulton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the village from around 1907 to 1937. After disbanding in 1937 the instruments were put into storage but were unfortunately lost in a fire some years later. A successor band was formed in 1977

**Moulton Brass Band (1)** - Cheshire

See: *Moulton Institute Brass Band*

**Moulton Brass Band (2)** - Cheshire

Active in the late 1950s/early 1960s

**Moulton Institute Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Mount Carmel Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s, based at the Mount Carmel R.C. Church.

**Mount Charles Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Former names: JAG Mount Charles Band

**Mount Edgcumbe Training Ship Band** - Saltash, Cornwall

See: *Training Ship Mount Edgcumbe Band*

**Mount Gerizim Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s, based at the Mount Gerizim Wesleyan Reform Chapel.

**Mount Pleasant Temperance Saxhorn Band** - Spennymoor, Durham

Active in 1879

**Mount Sion Brass Band** - Radcliffe, Lancashire

Active in 1866 to 1869

**Mount Sion Works Brass Band** - Radcliffe, Lancashire

Active in the 1940s

**Mount Street Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in 1903

**Mount Tabor Band** - Long Eaton, Derbyshire

Founded in 1906, conductor A.E. Comer. Active through to the 1930s. Conductor John Turner and secretary W. Wall in 1930

**Mount Tabor Mission Silver Band**

See: *Mount Tabor Band*

**Mount Zion Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s/1890s

**Mount Zion Brass Band** - Colne, Lancashire

Active in the 1860s through to 1939. J. Aspinall conductor and I. Thornton secretary in 1905.

**Mount Zion Brass Band** - Radcliffe, Lancashire

Active in 1866

**Mount Zion Mission Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in 1895

**Mountain Ash Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1870s to early 1900s

**Mountain Ash Hibernian Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s through to 1918

**Mountain Ash Rifle Corps Band**

See: *Mountain Ash Volunteers Band*

**Mountain Ash Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1860s to the 1920s

**Mountsorrel Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1840s through to 1911. Conducted by B. Derry in 1861

**Mousehill Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1870s and 1897

**Mousehole Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the early 1900s

**Mow Cop Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the late 1840s to the 1900s

**Mowddy Brass Band** - Merioneth

See: *Dinas-Mawddwy Brass Band*

**Moxley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s and 1919

**Moxley Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the early 1870s

**Mr Alderson's Adult Sunday School Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

Active in 1886

**Mr Brooke's Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Avon Street Gas Works Band*

**Mr Higham's Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Mr Jackson's Brass Band**

See: *Jackson's Brass Band*

- Mr M.W. Thompson's Brass Band** - Guiseley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1874 to 1889. Linked to Sir Matthew William Thomson, Bart., of Park Gate, Guiseley, (d. 1891)
- Mr W. Thompson's Band** - Guiseley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s
- Mr Walker's Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire  
See: *Walker's Brass Band*
- Mr Widdow's Saxhorn Band** - Norwich, Norfolk  
See: *Norwich Perseverance Brass Band*
- Mrs Walmesley's Colerne Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
See: *Colerne Brass Band*
- Much Hadham Brass Band**  
Active in 1925
- Much Hoole Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1865, its first public appearance in October that year. Still active in 1891.
- Much Wenlock and Garmston Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1869
- Much Wenlock Brass Band (1)** - Shropshire  
Active in 1859. Conductor George Yates in 1862. Still active in 1869
- Much Wenlock Brass Band (2)** - Shropshire  
Founded in 1900 and survived until the Second World War.
- Mugginton Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1887
- Muirkirk Brass Band**  
See: *Muirkirk Parish Brass Band*
- Muirkirk Parish Brass Band** - Ayrshire  
Active from the 1880s. Folded in 1891 but was revived in the early 1900s, conductor J. Johnstone in 1904. Known as Muirkirk Parish Silver Band in 1923 when, in a band contest at Douglas, they won both the March and the Selection pieces. John Johnstone, who died in 1951, was teacher and conductor of the Band for the long period of 26 years, and many bandsmen had their first "blaw" under his firm but helpful guidance. The Band folded before the 1950s.
- Muker Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1897
- Mulbarton and Swardeston Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1900s through to 1914
- Muller Cleobury Mortimer Band** - Shropshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Cleobury Mortimer Concert Brass*
- Mullion Brass Band** - Cornwall  
c.1870 to c.1911, there is no recorded conductors or Cornish contests attended. The band could be found down in the Lizard Peninsular. A photo of 1897 shows a smart, well-balanced band of ten players, consisting of 4 cornets, tenor horn, baritone, valve trombone, euphonium, Eb bass and a bass drum.
- Multitubular Brass Band**  
See: *Newbie Engineering Works Multitubular Brass Band*

### **Mumbles Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1880s. Disbanded around the time of the First World War. Reminiscences of Margie Bowden: "Now my two youngest brothers were in the Mumbles Silver Band. They used to call it Bob Todd's Band as he was the leader. What we liked to do was to walk with the band, when they marched the solders to Church. We used to look forward to Sunday. But the Mumbles Band did not last much longer, as one of the boys was called up then another and so there were not many left in the band and it finished up with solders joining in to make enough to get them to church. We just used to have some wonderful tunes in those days but, in 1914, it was spoiled for us. My two brothers, Alfred and Ernest, were called up and joined the navy and never came back."

### **Munition Workers' Band**

See: *Scotswood Shipyard Brass Band*

### **Munn and Felton Works Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Virtuosi GUS Band*

### **Murray International Whitburn Band** - West Lothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Exchange Communications Whitburn Band*

### **Murton Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: Murton Temperance Gospel Blue Ribbon Army Band (to 1885), also known as Blue Ribbon Temperance Band - Note: The members wore a blue ribbon on their sleeve. Nine months after formation, with a drop in subscriptions and with recruitment of new members somewhat under strain, it was decided "that the band be still carried on, but every member be left to his own option whether to be teetotal or not, except at the time of an engagement."

### **Murton Temperance Gospel Blue Ribbon Army Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Murton Colliery Brass Band*

### **Musbury Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1857

### **Musselburgh and Fisherrow Trades Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Note: The entire band enlisted in the 1914-1918 War

### **Musselburgh Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. A successor band was formed in 1895.

### **Musselburgh St Augustine's Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1890s

### **Musselburgh Town Band**

See: *Musselburgh Brass Band*

### **Muston Amateur Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1887

### **Muthill Brass Band (1)** - Perthshire

Active in 1878 and the 1880s

### **Muthill Brass Band (2)** - Perthshire

Founded in 1905, still active in the 1920s

### **Myland Brass Band**

See: *Mile End Brass Band*

### **Mynyddygarreg Silver Prize Band** - Carmarthenshire

Formed 1909. Sold its instruments and disbanded in 1915, presumably reforming soon after WW1 ended. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (3rd Section), conducted by D.T. Gravelle. Folded in the late 1980s.



**Myrtle Silver Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1933

**N Division Police Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex

Active in 1862. Conductor Mr Ison in 1867. Also known as Kingsland Police Brass Band.

See also B, D, E, G, H, K, L, P, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**N.C.B. No.5 Area Ambulance Band**

See: *East Midlands Area 5 Ambulance Band*

**N.E. Manchester Brass Band**

Active in the 1930s

**N.E.R. Band**

See: *West Hartlepool N.E.R. Band*

**N.F.S. Band**

See: *National Fire Service Band*

**N.S.R. Juvenile Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

See: *North Staffordshire Railway Juvenile Brass Band*

**Naburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the early 1890s. Conductor Henry Woodhouse in 1894. Played at the Bishopthorpe celebrations of the Coronation of Edward VII in 1902, conductor Mr Bartram.

**Nafferton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from 1860 to the 1940s

**Nafferton Saxhorn Band**

See: *Nafferton Brass Band*

**Nafferton Station Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1890. Conductor F. Foster in 1898. 1903 reports in the Driffield press: Saturday June 20 1903, "Members of Sir Tatton Sykes' Lodge of the Hull District of Druids celebrated their seventh anniversary at Wetwang. The Nafferton Station Mills Band played the members to church, where the Rev Ingham preached a sermon. The membership of the Hull district was 9,806." August 8 1903, "Wansford played host to an athletic and aquatic sports event. Only competitors from Wansford and Cattleholmes were entitled to take part in the athletic events, but the aquatic events were open. The aquatic events were the highlight of the day, with Mr J Cawthorn winning the greasy pole event and taking home a leg of mutton. A swimming match from the bridge to the Trout Inn was entered by seven competitors. After the sports, the villagers enjoyed a fireworks display and music from the Nafferton Station Mills Band."

**Nafferton United Prize Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active around 1910 to the 1930s

**Nailsea Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1860

**Nailsea Glass Works Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1866, leader Mr Malin. Still active in 1869

**Nailsworth and Horsley Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Nailsworth Silver Band*

**Nailsworth Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1859

### **Nailsworth Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Nailsworth Silver Band, Nailsworth and Horsley Silver Band (until c.1970) - Note: In 1948 Nailsworth amalgamated with Horsley Band to become the Nailsworth and Horsley Silver Band

### **Nailsworth Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Founded in 1919. Amalgamated with Horsley Brass Band in 1948 to become the Nailsworth and Horsley Silver Band. The band reverted back to the Nailsworth Silver Band name sometime in the early 1970s.

### **Nairn Brass Band** - Nairnshire

Formed in 1859, conductor Herr Meerfeldt. Still active in 1883, conductor Mr Mills. Presumed to have folded that year as a meeting was held in June 1884 to discuss forming a new Town Band, with £20 pledged to start. This was to be a pipe band.

### **Nancedra Band** - Cornwall

The players of Nancedra, just south of St Ives, had players from Towednack join them to play for a Home Guard church parade in 1941. This group was put together and led by F Pope. This would appear to be a one-off.

### **Nant Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Formed in 1898, conductor Thomas Morris

### **Nant Purl Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

[no information]

### **Nantlle Vale Band** - Caernarfonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Nantlle Vale Royal Silver Band*

### **Nantlle Vale Royal Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1865 - Former names: Pen yr Orsedd Band, Nantlle Vale Band (to 1894) - Note: Winners of the British Championship in 19 and granted the title Royal after a command performance in 1905. The success in the 1920 led to applications from the likes of Alexander Owen, William Rimmer and Harry Mortimer to conduct the band. Since the closure of the quarry the band no longer competes at the same level and is now more for fun but it still competes in the 4th section and gained 2nd place in the 2005 National Eisteddfod. Records of the band, from 1950-1987 are held by Gwynedd Archives, Caernarfon Record Office.

### **Nantwich Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1840s to the early 1900s. Conductor T. Hassall from 1853 to 1862, Charles Hassall in 1865. Probably folded during WW1. Competed in the very first British Open in 1853.

### **Nantwich National School Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1875

### **Nantwich Old Brass Band**

See: *Nantwich Brass Band*

### **Nantwich Town Band** - Cheshire

c.1878 -1936. A non-contesting band that performed at local events, primarily parades, garden parties and charity events. It was wound up in 1936 and little exists of the band but memories.

### **Nant-y-glo Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1850, 1862

### **Nantymoel Gospel Temperance Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1906

**Nantymoel Town Band (1) - Glamorgan**

Active in the early 1900s, conductor George Harris. Folded in 1933

**Nantymoel Town Band (2) - Glamorgan**

Active in 1964

**Naphill Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

A founder member and conductor of the band was Albert George Parslow, who was also Bandmaster of the Wycombe Excelsior Band (later known as High Wycombe Town Silver Band). Band was formed in the early 1900s and active through to the 1930s.

Conductor Mr Hussey in 1914

**Naphill United Brass Band**

See: *Naphill Brass Band*

**Napier Street Primitive Methodist Band - Gorton, Lancashire**

Founded in 1908, conductor Dan Leigh. Napier Street is now Crossley Street.

**Naseby Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in 1869

**Nash Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Formed in 1887. Conductor William Harwood in 1890, Arthur Smith in 1896-1913. Probably folded during WW1

**Nassington Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active from the 1850s to the 1930s. Also known as Nassington Britannia Band. A successor band (Yarwell and Nassington Britannia Band) was formed in the 1970s.

**Nassington Britannia Band**

See: *Nassington Brass Band*

**NASUWT Chester-le-Street Riverside Band - Durham**

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Pelton Fell Methodist Band, Pelton Fell Band, Pelton Fell Colliery Band (1904), Pelton Fell Workman's Band (1964), Newcastle Brown Ale Band (1974-2002), Chester-le-Street Riverside Band (to 2005), Tavistock Chester-le-Street Riverside Band (to 2008)

**National Fire Service Band - Easington, Durham**

[previous name of current band] See: *Easington Public Band*

**National Fire Service Band - Easington, Durham**

See: *Easington Public Band*

**National Fire Service Band (11 Area) - Southend, Essex**

Active in 1943

**National Fire Service Band (27 Area, L Division) - Eccles, Lancashire**

Active from 1942. A wartime combination of players from Barton Hall Works Band and Eccles Borough Band, conductor was Dan Shepherd.

**National Fire Service Band (37 Area)**

See: *North Kent Silver Band*

**National Fire Service Band (Area 14) - Portsmouth, Hampshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Portsmouth City Band*

**National Fire Service Band (North Midland Region) - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1942/43

**National Fire Service Western (No.1) Area Band**

The Band Association constitution, minutes and correspondence, 1943-1944, are held in the Glasgow City Archives

**National Oil Refineries Band** - Llandarcy, Glamorgan

Active in the 1920s

**National Old Boys Brass Band of Scotland** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 2009

**National Reserve Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Based at the National Reserve Club, Harbourh Hill Road, Barnsley - now closed.

**National School Band** - Longridge, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**National Shell-Filling Factory Band** - Chilwell, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1918, conductor John Turner

**National Smokeless Fuels (Fishburn) Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Fishburn Band*

**National Smokeless Fuels Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Fishburn Band*

**National Union of Railwaymen's (Bristol) Silver Band**

See: *Bristol and District N.U.R. Band*

**Naunton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1863 to 1869, and from 1886 through to 1934. Known bandmasters were G. Harrison (1912), Frank Smith (1913), E. Williams (1923).

**Navy League Boys Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1909

**Naworth Colliers' Brass Band** - Midgeholme, Cumberland

Active in 1913

**Nayland British Legion Band** - Suffolk

Formed in the mid 1930s by some breakaway members from the Boxted Methodist Band following a contesting disagreement. Took part in the Colchester Carnival in 1936/37/38, conducted by H Taylor

**Nazareth House Brass Band** - Ditton, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Nazebottom Temperance Prize Band** - Chalrestown, near Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1885 and active to WW1. Newspaper report from around 1910: Nazebottom Temperance Prize Band was established at Nazebottom, near Todmorden, in 1885. Matthew Trungrrove and James Hodgson (now Councillor Hodgson) were its founders. They talked the matter over whilst engaged at their work as fustian cutters, and soon secured the support of a number of local musicians. It was understood from the beginning that the band was to be a temperance organisation, and this principle has been firmly adhered to. At the outset practices were held in a cottage, but so small was the room that if any instrumentalist happened to move from his place during rehearsal he ran the risk of being knocked down by the trombone player. Mr. J.E. Craven, a gentleman residing in the locality, realising the inadequacy of the cottage, kindly offered the band the use of a room over his coach-house. This was gladly accepted, and has been in use for many years. After a while, the band was able to purchase a full complement of instruments, and in their uniform of navy blue with scarlet and gold facings, the members began to feel their feet. But it was not until the autumn of 1893 that they made their first appearance on the contest field. This was at Ovenden, Halifax. Three years later, at Bamber Bridge, a prize fell to their lot. In three years they have secured seven

first prizes, eight seconds, and five thirds out of twenty-four contests. Some little time ago a sale of work was held under the auspices of the band, the object being to raise funds for the purchase of new uniforms. Mr. Craven's remarks on this occasion are worth quoting. They ought to take interest in anything which tended to improve and enlighten village life, said he. He did not believe that they should derive all their entertainment and pleasure from adjacent large towns, but that they should endeavour to make village life interesting and pleasant. When the band attained its majority, there was a grand reunion of past and present members in the Co-operative Hall, Todmorden. On this occasion, Mr. W. Mitchell, the bandmaster, was presented with a beautiful timepiece and a couple of bronzes; indeed, so liberally did the public subscribe, that there was a sum of from £6 to £7 over, which was at the same time handed to Mr. Mitchell in a purse. The timepiece bore the following inscription: "Purchased by public subscription, and presented to Mr. Walter Mitchell, as an appreciation of his valuable services as bandmaster to Nazebottom Temperance Brass Band for fourteen years. Presented on the occasion of the 21st anniversary of the band, held September 22nd, 1906." Mr. Mitchell said he did not care to be described as bandmaster. He thought the term was rather misleading, and regarded the word leader as much more suitable. He had never tried to drive or coerce his fellow bandsmen, but to lead them. He hoped that all the players would realise that the seconds and thirds were quite as essential to the making of a good band as the soloists. The mention of soloists reminds me that in speaking of some of the prizes won, I omitted to refer to several specials for solos which have been gained by members of the band. The band is ably conducted by Mr. W. Heap, the treasurer and secretary being respectively Mr W.G. Sutcliffe and Mr James Lomas. Most of the members are engaged in the cotton industry ? weavers etc.

**Neath and Melyn Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s

**Neath Borough Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s, A.G. Harris conductor in 1904

**Neath Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Neath Town Band**

See: *Neath Brass Band*

**Neatishead Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1863

**Neckinger Mills Brass Band** - Bermondsey, Surrey

See: *Messrs Bevington's Brass Band*

**Necton Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1907

**Needham Brass Band**

See: *Needham Market Brass Band*

**Needham Market Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1870s through to WW1. Conductor Mr Webb in 1878

**Needham Market Mission Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1890s to 1910s

**Needham Market Town Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1950s and the 1960s. A march written for the Needham Market Band by their bandmaster Mr Daley was called Black Rod. When the band folded the music was given

to Gislingham band. They used to practice in the Tin Mission. The band lost its bass drummer on a march through the town on one occasion. When the band wheeled right, 'Dumdiddy', a lad of short stature who was unable to see over the top of the drum, who steered himself and his instrument by looking to the left side of the drum, continued straight on for several yards. A breathless bandmaster finally managed to catch up with Dumdiddy loudly banging his solitary trail along the street oblivious to the diminishing sound of the brass instruments.

**Needingworth Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in 1863

**Neepsend Gas Works Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1893, when the members bought their own instruments at a cost of £100 and uniforms at a further cost of £6. Conducted by W.E. Dennis, secretary was John Parker. Still active in 1904

**Nefyn and District Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1960s

**Nefyn Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1880s

**Neilston Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in 1855, 1860

**Nelson Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1957 - Former names: Nelson Civic Band (1957), Nelson Band (1970s) - Note: In January 1957 a public meeting was held by the Town Councils Library and Arts Committee to consider re-forming the band. After further meetings a grant of £650.00 was made and Nelson Civic Band was born. Instruments, Music and Uniforms were bought and scrounged and rehearsals were held in a disused chapel on Stanley Street. On Tuesday 23 April 1957 the band played its first concert with Nelson Civic over 60's Choir at the Civic Centre on Stanley Street. The conductor was 24 year-old Norman Riley, the players contained bandsmen from Nelson Old and Silver bands and players were also borrowed from other bands.

**Nelson Brass Band** - Lancashire

Nelson Band or later Nelson Prize Band was formed in 1862 and practiced in a room at the back of the old Nelson Inn, now the Lord Nelson Hotel. Conductor Job Nutter in the 1870s. By 1873 the band was boasting that in the previous four years it had won 476 pounds 19 shillings in prize money and that its services were required at every public function. Unfortunately, the band and Town Council did not always see eye to eye. In 1894 Nelson band was engaged to play classical music in Victoria Park. On seeing a youthful audience they suddenly began playing popular tunes of the day, an alderman objected and the concert was abandoned. Later in the 1890's the band disbanded only to re-form in 1898 as Nelson Old Band.

**Nelson Civic Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Nelson Brass Band*

**Nelson Old Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1898 from the remnants of Nelson Band. Its practices were first held near the Prince of Wales Inn and later in a room on Ann Street. In 1920 the band acquired Clifford House and became a social club as well as a brass band. During this period the band had many contest successes regularly competing at the famous September contest at Belle Vue in Manchester. The Old Band, however became more of a social club than a musical

association and the band split from the club forming two new bands. Nelson Temperance Band was short-lived. The second band, Nelson Silver Prize Band, lasted until 1956.

**Nelson Prize Band**

See: *Nelson Band*

**Nelson Silver Prize Band** - Lancashire

Resulted from a split of the Nelson Old Band into Nelson Silver Prize Band and the short-lived Nelson Temperance Band. It opened a social club on Albert Street which once again led to the bands demise (as with the Nelson Old Band). In late 1956 financial problems forced the closure of the club and the folding of the Nelson Silver Prize Band, leaving Nelson once again without a band. A successor band, still active, was formed later in 1957 as the Nelson Civic Band.

**Nelson Temperance Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s to 1910s. Conductor Carl Taylor in the 1890s

**Nelson Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Short-lived, this band resulted from a split of the Nelson Old Band into Nelson Silver Prize Band and the Nelson Temperance Band.

**Nene Side Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*

**Nenthead Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1850s to 1916.

**Nenthead Union Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1861 to 1866. Conductor John Sanderson in 1866

**Neston and District Boys Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1950s

**Neston Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1860s. Folded prior to WW1, when its instruments were passed on to the Bootle Municipal Band.

**Neston Silver Band (1)**

See: *Neston Brass Band*

**Neston Silver Band (2)** - Cheshire

Formed after WW1. Active in the 1930s

**Nether Broughton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Nether Green School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853

**Nether Hallam Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s to 1917, conductor Enoch Reid (Reed) in 1899

**Nether Kellet Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Nether Siltan Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the early 1900s

**Nether Stowey Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the mid-1860s to the late 1890s

**Nether Wallop Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1900s

**Nether Winchendon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Cuddington Brass Band*

**Netherend Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1850

**Netherfield B.R. Solver Band**

See: *Netherfield Railway Band*

**Netherfield L.N.E.R. Brass Band**

See: *Netherfield Railway Band*

**Netherfield Railway Band** - Nottinghamshire

Founded in the 1890s by Charles Robert Rodgers (another report gives the formation as 1902). In 1950 was renamed Carlton Silver Band, then Nottingham City Transport Band in 1988. The band spawned Carlton Brass (a junior section) in 1998, which went on to become the current Carlton Brass Band. The Nottingham City Transport Band folded in 2005.

**Netherfield Railwayman's Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Carlton Brass (Nottingham)*

**Netherfield Railwaymen's Brass Band**

See: *Netherfield Railway Band*

**Netherthong Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the early 1860s to the late 1880s. A court case in 1885 notes that the band was formed on October 30th 1871 and £35 was borrowed to buy instruments and clothing. However it appears the band was active earlier as it played at the Holmfirth Pig, Poultry, Horticultural and Floral Show in August that year, conducted by Mr. G.H. Wood, and also was recorded playing as early as December 1865.

**Netherton and Radcliffe Band**

See: *Radcliffe Colliery Band (2)*

**Netherton Brass Band** - near Dudley, Staffordshire

Formed in 1858, still active in 1887

**Netherton Brass Band** - near Horbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s through to the 1930s

**Netherton Brass Band** - near Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to 1870s

**Netherton Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1930s

**Netherton Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s

**Netherton Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Netherton Colliery Band*

**Netherton Colliery Band** - Bedlington, Northumberland

Active between the 1870s and the late 1940s. Secretary James Patterson in 1874. Conductor M. Moore in 1907. Later known as Netherton Silver Model Band

**Netherton Colliery Silver Model Band**

See: *Netherton Colliery Band*

**Netherton Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1867, conductor James Bolam

**Netherton Silver Model Band**

[no information]



- Netteswell Youth Brass Band** - Harlow, Essex  
Active in the 1960s and 1970s. Based at Netteswell Secondary School
- Nettlebed Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in 1860 to 1869
- Nettlebed Temperance Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in 1861, 1862
- Nettlefolds Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire  
Active around 1900. Nettlefolds were a large company making screws, later were part of Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds Ltd.
- Neville Brass**  
Amalgamated with Davis Derby Brass Band to form Derwent Brass in 1992.
- Neville's Leadworks Brass Band** - Llanelli, Carmarthenshire  
Active in 1857
- Nevin Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in the 1880s to the early 1900s
- New Barnet Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the early 1900s to WW1.
- New Barnet P.S.A. Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1890s
- New Barnet Town Band**  
*See: New Barnet Brass Band*
- New Basford Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1841
- New Basford Excelsior Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1874, conducted by H. Watkins
- New Beckenham Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1930s
- New Becontree Silver Band**  
[no information]
- New Bilton Imperial Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1950
- New Bolingbroke Orpheus Band** - Lincolnshire  
*See: Stickney Orpheus Brass Band*
- New Bradwell Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1950s
- New Brancepeth Colliery Band**  
*See: Sleetburn Colliery Band*
- New British Iron Company Band** - Ruabon, Denbighshire  
*See: New British Iron Works Brass Band*
- New British Iron Works Brass Band** - Ruabon, Denbighshire  
Active from 1863. Conductor Mr Johnson in 1870
- New Brompton and Gillingham Boys' Band**  
*See: Brompton and Gillingham Boys' Band*
- New Buckenham Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1880s. Presumed to have folded prior to 1887 when the current New Buckenham Silver Band was formed.

- New Buckenham Silver Band** - Norfolk  
[current band] - Founded in 1887
- New Cambrian Slate Quarry Brass Band** - Glyn Ceiriog, Denbighshire  
Active in the 1870s. Played at Vron, near Chirk in 1877, and contested at Wrexham in 1878
- New Carlton Silver Band (junior band)** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Carlton Brass (Nottingham)*
- New Clee Temperance Brass Band** - Cleethorpes, Lincolnshire  
Active in 1880
- New Craighall Brass Band**  
See: *Newcraighall Colliery Band*
- New Cross Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s, conductor G. Woodhead in 1868. Still active in the late 1880s, contemporary with the New Cross Locomotive Band
- New Cross Locomotive Band**  
See: *New Cross Railway Mission Brass Band*
- New Cross Railway Mission Brass Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1880s to WW1. Conductor up to 1909 was Mr T. Sheen, from 1910 to 1914 was W. Harrild. Contemporary with the New Cross Brass Band.
- New Cross South East and Central Railway Band**  
See: *New Cross Railway Mission Brass Band*
- New Cumnock Brass Band** - Ayrshire  
Formed in 1854. Conducted by J Connell in the 1950s and 1960s. Still active in the early 1980s
- New Deer Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire  
Formed in 1912. Active through to the 1950s
- New Delaval Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1880s, conductor Mr York in 1888
- New Delaval Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1870s. In 1875 the conductor was George Hunter and secretary Charles Smith.
- New Dronfield Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dronfield Band*
- New Ealing Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1938
- New England P.S.A. Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1900s
- New England Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1890s
- New Fancy Colliery Band** - Parkend, Gloucestershire  
Active from the early 1880s to early 1900s
- New Farnley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1904
- New Field Brass Band**  
See: *Newfield Brass Band*
- New Forest Brass Band**  
See: *New Forest Rangers Brass Band*

**New Forest Brass Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Former names: Marchwood Brass, Vodaphone Band - Note: It evolved from a group of like-minded people who came together informally at lunchtimes in the Marchwood Engineering Laboratories of the CEGB. It then became an evening class known as Marchwood Brass under the baton of Mike Swatman and began to accumulate instruments and music. Later, under the expert tuition of that great Hampshire man of brass, John Knight, it steadily improved. Until recently, the band enjoyed the sponsorship from Vodafone and carried that name.

**New Forest Rangers Brass Band** - Lyndhurst, Hampshire

Active from 1885, conductor George Bull. Conductor Edward Bull in 1899. Still active in 1890

**New Forest Schools Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1980s

**New Greenwich Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in 1842

**New Haden Colliery Silver Band** - Brookhouses, Staffordshire

Active from the early 1900s to 1939

**New Hall Hey Mills Band** - Lancashire

Active from the late 1850s to the 1900s

**New Hall Lane Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1859 and 1867

**New Hall Pitsmoor Brass Band**

See: *Newhall Brass Band*

**New Harmonic Brass Band** - Leek, Staffordshire

Active in 1875

**New Heath Brass Band**

See: *Heath Brass Band (Derbyshire)*

**New Hemsworth Colliery Band** - Fitzwilliam, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**New Herrington Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s, conductor G. Cornforth in 1883

**New Herrington Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1900s. Became a military style band after the First World War. Conductor in 1953 was G. Steele

**New Hirst Brass Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1901, disbanded in 1902. Conductor Thomas Floyd. A meeting was held in March 1901 to discuss the band's formation, Joseph Nicholson pro-tem secretary. It had folded by September 1902 when the secretary A. Gavin answered some

**New Holland Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1862 to the 1870s

**New Holland Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

See: *New Holland N.U.R. Silver Band*

**New Holland N.U.R. Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in the 1890s. Active from then until the late 1920s. Also known as New Holland Brass Band

**New Holland Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1900, conductor A.J. Bell in 1902. Still active in 1906

**New Humberstone Silver Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s. Conducted by C. Hutt in the early 1960s

**New Ingleton Colliery Band** - Ingleton, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1910s. Conductor Thomas Armstrong in 1919

**New Lanark Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s, revived in 1909

**New Leicester Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**New Malton Town Band**

Formed in 1887 by John Gibson, following a revolt in the local Volunteers band, when the army imposed "unacceptable restrictions" on the volunteers. Folded in the early 1900s.

**New Marske Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marske Brass Band*

**New Marske Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marske Brass Band*

**New Mill Brass Band** - Cornwall

There are engagements for this band between 1856 and 1860, but no mention of a conductor. The village of New Mill will be found north of Penzance and they never travelled very far for their engagements, and not at all for contests.

**New Mill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858

**New Mills Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1812 - Former names: New Mills Band, New Mills Old Prize Band (c. 1910), Norwest Co-op New Mills Band (1979), United Co-op New Mills Band (to 2012) - Note: Formed in 1812 as a brass and reed band. For the first century the band was conducted by a members of the Beard family, having been founded by Timothy Beard. The band's centenary celebration concert was held in High Lea Park in 1912. The band joined up en bloc in 1914 and reformed on demobilisation in 1919. It became a Home Guard band in 1943, reverting to the original name of New Mills Old Prize Band in 1948. Sponsorship by the Co-op in 1979 secured a change of name, accommodation and musical director

**New Mills Independent Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1866, conductor Thomas Wyatt

**New Mills Old Band** - Derbyshire

See: *New Mills Band*

**New Mills Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1862

**New Milton and Ashley Temperance Band** - Hampshire

[no information]

**New Monckton Colliery Band**

See: *Royston New Monckton Colliery Institute Band*

**New North Middlesex Brass Band**

See: *North Middlesex Brass Band (2)*

**New Pitsligo Philharmonic Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1857

**New Redheugh Colliery Band**

See: *Redheugh Colliery Band*

**New Road Brass Band** - Milnsbridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1861

**New Road Wesleyan Brass Band** - Talke, Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s

**New Shildon Brass Band**

See: *New Shildon Saxhorn Band*

**New Shildon Juvenile Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the 1870s

**New Shildon Philharmonic Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s

**New Shildon Saxhorn Band** - Durham

Active from the 1850s to the late 1880s. Conductor T. Dinsdale in 1860

**New Shildon Temperance Band**

Active from the 1880s to the early 1900s

**New Silksworth Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1920s

**New Springs Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the mid-1880s

**New Stevenson Mission Brass Band** - Motherwell, Lanarkshire

Active in 1895

**New Stubbin and Rawmarsh Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s

**New Swindon Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1858, and 1880, conductor George Heap

**New Swindon Institute Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1869

**New Tredegar and Tirphil Silver Band**

See: *New Tredegar Brass Band*

**New Tredegar Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the 1850s through to the early 1950s. Known as New Tredegar Workmen's Band before WW1 and New Tredegar and Tirphil Silver Band after WW2.

**New Tredegar Workmen's Band**

See: *New Tredegar Brass Band*

**New Tupton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Tupton Brass Band (2)*

**New Whittington Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1885 through to the early 1900s

**New Whittington Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1896

**New York and District Brass Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the early 1900s but folded during WW1. Bandmaster Mr Hopkins in 1904

**New York Brass Band** - Summerbridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *New York Mill Band*

**New York Mill Band** - Summerbridge, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1850s and folded shortly after WW1. Its last recorded engagement was in July 1919. It had an altercation with the Pateley Bridge Band in 1857 when both were playing in Pateley. As the New York Band was leaving the town, Joseph Stobbs from Pateley Band rushed into them with his instrument, whereupon there was a general "encounter" between the bandsmen. The police interfered and were treated with "great barbarity", resulting in Joseph Stobbs and William Fryer being arrested and fined £6 each.

**Newark and Maplebeck Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1851

**Newark Borough Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the early 1890s to the 1930s. From the Newark Advertiser, May 21 1902 - "For the 29th time in its history, the Newark Football Club has promoted an athletic sports meeting on Whit Monday at Newark, and to the long series of successes another must be added. The ground was gay with streamers, and the Newark Borough Band, under Mr Carle, enlivened the assemblage with some excellent and inspiring music."

**Newark Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1840s to the 1880s

**Newark British Legion Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed after WW1 and folded in the mid 1950s. A successor band, the current Newark Town Band, was formed in 1956.

**Newark North-End Wesleyan Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

**Newark Primitive Methodist Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Newark North-End Wesleyan Band*

**Newark Ransome Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Ransome Band*

**Newark Town Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1957

**Newarthill Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1860 to 1863

**Newbie Engineering Works Multitubular Brass Band** - Annan, Dumfriesshire

Formed in 1901, later known as Annan Town Band and disbanded in 1954. A successor Annan Town Band was formed in 1961

**Newbiggin Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1913 by a local group of musicians, it was funded by a weekly subscription of a penny a week from the workmens pay. The band was made up of miners who worked at the colliery and in many cases employment was found to attract players. The band had a proud tradition of contesting and represented the area at many national competitions. It had also been a breeding ground for players who have reached national acclaim with some of the finest bands in the country. The most famous namely Jim Shepherd who does not need any introduction to the brass band world, Jim in his youth began his banding career at Newbiggin and went on to a successful life of playing in Yorkshire with the famous Black Dyke Mills band. Others such as John Carr and his son Dennis made a name for themselves as top class conductors. During the 1940's a large number of Newbiggin Miners were transferred to the nearby Lynemouth Colliery. For a period of time the band was known as the Lynemouth Colliery Band and later the Newbiggin and

Lynemouth Colliery Band, however in 1968 Newbiggin Colliery closed where the name was dropped from its title renamed Lynemouth Colliery Band. Since this period the band had a variety of rehearsal premises in Newbiggin including the CO-OP Hall, Central Club and the 'HUT' in the 'Bull Field'. In 1985 Lynemouth Colliery closed and again the band changed its name to the Newbiggin Welfare Band. The band moved from the 'HUT' to the Newbiggin Welfare grounds, with support from Wansbeck District Council the band was able to purchase a new rehearsal room equipped with toilets, kitchen and heating and became self financing. In 1994 Greggs of Gosforth agreed to sponsor the band, this heralded another new name the 'Greggs Bakery Band'. During the 90's the band went from strength to strength rising through the ranks of the brass band world when in the year 2000 gained Championship Section status playing the test piece 'Variations on an Enigma', Greggs were only awarded 8th place out of 10 but this was considered a great achievement first time around. The band has performed at many prestigious venues such as the Princess Ballroom at the Winter Gardens Blackpool, Symphony Hall Birmingham, Royal Hall Harrogate and the Albert Hall in London. It has also appeared on TV and took part in the Lord Mayor of London's parade. The band folded in 2009

**Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1890s to 1912. Conductor Thomas Floyd in 1899. Probably superseded by the Newbiggin Colliery Band

**Newbold Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1910s

**Newbold Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Newbold Verdon Brass Band*

**Newbold Moor Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1883. Still active in the mid-1900s

**Newbold Parish Church Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1906

**Newbold Verdon Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1880s to 1914

**Newbottle Colliery Band** - Philadelphia, Durham

Active in the 1890s

**Newbridge (Celynen) Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Former names: Celynen Collieries Band, Celynen Collieries Institute Silver Band

**Newbridge Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1880s to the early 1900s. Who conducted them we do not know. No contests were attended, and their home of Newbridge can be found half-way between Penzance and St Just.

**Newbridge Institute Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1948

**Newbrough Band** - Northumberland

Active from 1862, conductor George Bell. Played at the Hexham Flower Show in September, 1864. Also active from the 1890s to 1914

**Newburgh Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1850s, and from the 1890s to the late 1940s. Renamed Newburgh Silver Band after WW1, it was taken over as the works band by Tayside Floorcloth Co. Ltd. in

1927, being renamed Newburgh Tayside Silver Band, conductor Donald Mathieson. The company probably dropped their sponsorship prior to WW2 (alluded to in the death notice of Donald Mathieson), but was still active as Tayside Silver Band in 1948.

**Newburgh Tayside Silver Band**

See: *Newburgh Brass Band*

**Newburn Steelworks Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1903, conducted by Frank Hedley

**Newbury Amateur Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1840s to 1850s. Folded some years before 1867 when a successor band was formed

**Newbury Borough Band** - Berkshire

See: *Newbury Town Band*

**Newbury Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire

See: *Newbury Amateur Brass Band*

**Newbury Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire

Founded in 1867, conductor E. Smith, initially with ten members. J. Aster became conductor in December 1867 following the resignation of E. Smith, folded soon thereafter.

**Newbury Brass Band (3)** - Berkshire

Founded in March 1869, conductor E. Smith, first public appearance on Easter Monday, at Thatcham

**Newbury Colliery Band** - Somerset

Active in 1894

**Newbury P.S.A. Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1930s. The Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Societies (or Brotherhoods) were a national effort by non-conformist churches to involve young men in social and religious activity on Sunday afternoons.

**Newbury Temperance Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s to 1915

**Newbury Town Band** - Berkshire

Active from the 1890s to the late 1980s. Conductor: H. Mitchell in 1899, F.H. Higgs in 1900, Mr Eggleton in 1910

**Newbury United Temperance Band**

See: *Newbury Temperance Band*

**Newcastle and Gateshead Railway Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1925, still active in 1947 when L.N.E.R. took over.

**Newcastle Borough Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor George Brunt in 1892

**Newcastle Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

See: *Nottingham Newcastle Brass Band*

**Newcastle Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor J.D. Belcher in 1878

**Newcastle City Police Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1930 and still active in 1948

**Newcastle Constabulary Band** - Northumberland

Founded in December 1865, conductor T.S. Watson. Still active in the 1880s, conductor Thomas Wheatley in 1882



- Newcastle Corporation Transport Band** - Northumberland  
Formed 1907 as the Newcastle Tramways Band. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Still active in 1949
- Newcastle East End Band** - Northumberland  
Formed in the early 1900s
- Newcastle Foresters' Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Formed in February 1867, meeting for their first rehearsal at the house of John Watson, Three Bulls Head, Percy Street, conductor Edward Potts.
- Newcastle Free Gardeners' Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1869. Associated with the "Rose of the Tyne" lodge.
- Newcastle Harmonic Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1868, conducted by John Amos
- Newcastle Industrial (Engineers) Band** - Northumberland  
Formed in the 1900s
- Newcastle Industrial Juvenile Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Newcastle Industrial Schools Band*
- Newcastle Industrial Schools Band** - Northumberland  
Founded in September 1869 by G.A. Brumell, instruments costing £60. 25 members taught by J. Amers. First public performance in December 1869. Active through to the 1880s
- Newcastle L.N.E.R. Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1930s
- Newcastle Locomotive Works Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Stephenson's Operatic Brass Band*
- Newcastle Munitions Workers' Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Founded in 1917
- Newcastle Naval Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1880s, conductor J.D. Belcher
- Newcastle Operatic Band**  
See: *Newcastle Operatic Saxhorn Band*
- Newcastle Operatic Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland  
Active from the mid-1860s into the 1870s. Conductor John Thompson in 1867. In 1872 it won first prize at a contest in Edinburgh.
- Newcastle People's Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1914
- Newcastle Police Brass Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Newcastle Constabulary Band*
- Newcastle Ragged and Industrial Schools Brass Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Newcastle Industrial Schools Band*
- Newcastle Rifles Brass Band** - Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Newcastle Royal Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1890
- Newcastle Schools Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1970s, conductor W. Wetherby
- Newcastle Town Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Knutton Forge Prize Band*

**Newcastle Tramways Band**

See: *Newcastle Corporation Transport Band*

**Newcastle Transport Band**

See: *Newcastle Corporation Transport Band*

**Newcastle Union Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in 1882

**Newcastle V.T.C. Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in 1916

**Newcastle Workhouse Brass Band - Northumberland**

Formed in 1878, formed among the boys in the workhouse. The instruments cost £150 for the 31 boys in the band. Their uniforms consisted of red tunics with yellow facings, dark blue trousers and caps with red facings. Active through into the 1890s, conductor J.H. Amers in 1879 (who also conducted the Gateshead Workhouse Brass Band that year), John Cowans in 1883

**Newcastleton Brass Band - Roxburghshire**

Active in 1868. Also active in the early 1900s

**Newcastle-under-Lyme Band**

See: *Knutton Forge Brass Band*

**Newchapel Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in 1855 to 1867

**Newchurch Brass Band (1) - near Rawtenstall, Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Newchurch Brass Band (2)**

See: *Newchurch-in-Pendle Brass Band*

**Newchurch-in-Pendle Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active from the 1870s to the 1920s

**Newcraighall Colliery Band - Edinburgh, Midlothian**

Active in 1888

**Newent Brass Band**

See: *Newent Town Band*

**Newent Town Band - Gloucestershire**

Active from the 1880s to the 1950s

**Newfield Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1884

**Newhall Band - Derbyshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1860 - Former names: St Johns Church Band, Newhall St Johns Band, Newhall Silver Prize, Newhall Town Band, Burton Constructional (Newhall) Band, Webb Ivory (Newhall) Band, Prominent Fluid Controls (Newhall) Band

**Newhall Brass Band - Pitsmoor, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Newhall Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Newhall Excelsior Brass Band*

**Newhall Celebration Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Newhall Excelsior Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1880s and the 1890s

**Newhall Free Methodists Church Prize Band**

See: *Newhall U.M.F.C. Brass Band*

**Newhall Perseverance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1880s and the 1890s

**Newhall Secondary Modern School Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1950, conductor R.C. Arnold

**Newhall Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**Newhall St Johns Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**Newhall Town Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**Newhall U.M.F.C. Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J. White in 1901

**Newhall United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Newhallhey Brass Band**

See: *New Hall Hey Mills Band*

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**Newham (East Ham) Band**

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

**Newham Brass Band**

See: *Grangewood Silver Band*

**Newhaven Brass Band** - Midlothian

Founded in 1886 and a drum and fife band, converting to brass and reed in 1887 then all brass a year or so later. Active to the late 1920s. Conductor J. Whitecross in 1897, Mr Watts in 1902

**Newhaven Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed around 1891. Active in the 1890s to WW1. Conductor Mr Levy in 1892, G. Darling in 1907

**Newick Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1907, conductor K.E. Brooks

**Newington Brass Band** - near Sittingbourne, Kent

Active in 1854

**Newland Concert Brass** - West Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 1987 - Note: The name Newland was taken from the venue where the band's first rehearsal took place i.e. the Old Academy in Bathgate whose benefactor was John Newland

**Newland Mission Brass Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Newlyn Band** - Cornwall

There was a Newlyn Band that carried out an engagement in 1867 - end of that story! Then in 1900 a Newlyn Independent Band was formed and carried out a gig for the Drift Band of Hope. This band was formed and led by S Mear who, on an engagement, elicited this comment "The treble tonguing of the 'Gem Polka' by Mr Mear was rendered in a very efficient manner." The report went on to advertise that the band was ready to accept

paying engagements - but no more is heard of them. Newlyn did, however, have a Salvation Army band for many years.

**Newlyn East Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1919, when it gained a second prize at the West of England Band Festival at Bugle.

**Newlyn Independant Band** - Cornwall

See: *Newlyn Band*

**Newmains and Cambusnethan Band** - Lanarkshire

Formed in 1886 with the amalgamation of Newmains Band and Cambusnethan Band. Active through to about 1900.

**Newmains and District Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Coltness Iron Works Silver Band*

**Newmains Brass Band (1)** - Lanarkshire

Formed in 1845 and, up to 1886 when it amalgamated with Cambusnethan Band, it had attended 9 contests netting 6 prizes worth £30.

**Newmains Brass Band (2)** - Lanarkshire

See: *Coltness Iron Works Silver Band*

**Newmarket Brass Band** - Suffolk

See: *Newmarket Town Band*

**Newmarket Colliery Band**

See: *Stanley Newmarket Colliery Band*

**Newmarket Colliery Stanley Band**

See: *Stanley Newmarket Colliery Band*

**Newmarket Town Band** - Suffolk

Active from the 1880s. In August 1902 it entertained the King of Barotseland during his visit to Dalham. Conductor John Turner in 1890, S. Wiseman in 1904. It was active through to the late 1930s. A successor town band was formed in 1947.

**Newmarket Town Brass Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1947

**Newmilns and Galston Band** - Ayrshire

[current band] - Founded in 1990 - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of three Irvine Valley bands - Newmilns Burgh Band, Galston Burgh Band and Loudoun Band

**Newmilns Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Formed in 1833 by a group of handloom weavers, and until 1990, when it amalgamated with Galston Burgh Band and Loudoun Band, to form the current Newmilns and Galston Band, it was the oldest band in Scotland still using the same name. In the 1870's the handloom weaving trade declined. Many band members had to leave the town and, in 1878, the organisation collapsed. But in June 1880, the magistrates and town council met and agreed to reform the band. The machine lace industry had been established locally and people were returning to the town. The band played in its last Championship Contest in 1960 and, by 1965, it had again become defunct. In late 1978, three players and three Community Councillors formed a committee to rebuild the Band from scratch. The Band Hall had been demolished and the instruments and music library given away. Within four years a new Band had been formed, instruments and music bought, and promotion reached from the 4th to the 2nd Section.

**Newmount Brass** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1996 - Former names: Rolls Royce (Derby) Training Band (to 2005)

**Newnham Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Newnham Brass Band**

Formed in 1884, disbanded around 1905

**Newnham Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1850s

**Newnham Brass Band (2)** - Gloucestershire

See: *Newnham-on-Severn Town Band*

**Newnham Town Band**

Formed in 1909

**Newnham-on-Severn Town Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in 1872. Still active in 1937

**Newport Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1830s to the 1860s. Conductor F.A. Wadham in 1864

**Newport Borough Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1971

**Newport Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1840s

**Newport Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1830s

**Newport Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

See: *Newport Amateur Brass Band*

**Newport Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1840s

**Newport Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Newport Brass Band (1)** - Shropshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Newport Brass Band (2)** - Shropshire

Possibly formed in 1875 - in the Newport Advertiser of Saturday 25 September 1875, there was an article indicating that a "New Brass Band" would be formed in the town. If it did exist, the it must have folded prior to 1911. In June 1911 a Mr Harry Davies set up a Newport Band, which gave it's first public appearance in the Square on Saturday 10th June 1911. A collection was made at the event which raised a total of £1 5s. The band probably folded at the outbreak of the Second World War, A successor band was formed in 1954 in conjunction with the British Legion and is still in existence today (Newport Town Band)

**Newport Catholic Brass Band**

Active in 1864

**Newport Civil Defence Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1956

**Newport Pagnell Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1862

- Newport Pagnell Church Institute Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1883
- Newport Pagnell Excelsior Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active from the late 1870s through to the 1930s
- Newport Pagnell Instrumental Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s, conductor Mr Wilford in 1885
- Newport Pagnell Town Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active from the 1950s to around 1976. The band used to rehearse at the Bull Public House and were conducted for many years by Jack Williams. Two of the band's bass drums are held in Newport Pagnell Museum.
- Newport Pagnell Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1876
- Newport Popular Band** - Monmouthshire  
See: *Lysaght's Ord Works Brass Band*
- Newport Rolling Mills Band** - Middlesborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1894
- Newport Schools Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
Active in the 1900s
- Newport Town Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
Formed in 1862. First public appearance in February 1863, conducted by F. Wadham.
- Newport Town Band (Shropshire)** - Shropshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1954 - Note: Newport Brass Band, formed in 1875, probably folded before 1911. Newport Town Band folded in 1939 and reformed in 1954 after the war.
- Newport Working Mens' Institute Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
Formed in 1858.
- Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Company Brass Band** - Hereford, Herefordshire  
Active in 1860
- Newquay Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Newquay Town Silver Band - Note: Formed, with 15 players, for peace celebrations in the town
- Newquay Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Founded in 1856, with Thomas Franklin as conductor, their instruments were provided by W. Mitchell esq. Their first concert was in January 1858, playing "Les Mousquetaires" and the Salamanca march, among other pieces. The band folded prior to 1895, when an unsuccessful attempt was made to revive it. A successor band was formed in 1919 (the current Newquay Town Band)
- Newquay Fort Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1857
- Newquay Town Silver Band** - Cornwall  
[previous name of current band] See: *Newquay Band*
- Newsham Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1882
- Newsholme and Goose Eye Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s

**Newsome Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor H. Townsend in 1860. Still active in 1879

**Newsome Works Band**

See: *Arthur Newsome Public Works Band*

**Newstead Abbey Brass** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 2001 - Former names: Newstead Youth Band (to 2008)

**Newstead Brass** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Hucknall-Linby Miners Welfare Band (to 1988), Newstead Welfare Band

**Newstead Brass Band**

See: *Newstead Colliery Band*

**Newstead Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in 1886. Active in the 1890s to WW1, conductor Isaac Parkin.

**Newstead Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newstead Brass*

**Newstead Youth Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newstead Abbey Brass*

**Newton Abbot and District Town Band** - Devon

[current band]

**Newton Abbot and District Town Band**

See: *Newton Abbot Town Band (2)*

**Newton Abbot Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1851

**Newton Abbot Brotherhood Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1910 and before WW1, resuscitated thereafter in 1918.

**Newton Abbot Locomotive Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in January 1855 at the South Devon Locomotive Works. Still active in 1863

**Newton Abbot Station Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1856

**Newton Abbot Town Band (1)** - Devon

Founded in 1908 through the merger of Highweek Band and Wolborough Band. Known as Teignbridge Silver Band from the late 1970s. Folded in 1985. A successor band was formed in 2003

**Newton Abbot Town Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in 2003, disbanded in August 2011

**Newton Abbot Volunteer Band** - Devon

Active in the 1890s

**Newton and District Brass Band** - Newton Heath, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Newton and Godley Brass Band**

See: *Godley Original Brass Band*

**Newton Arlosh Brass Band** - Cumberland

Formed in 1858, conductor J. Fidler

**Newton Aycliffe Town Band**

Formed in 1950, later renamed Aycliffe Brass Band in 1984. Merged with Brancepeth Welfare Band in 1994 to form the new Aycliffe and Brancepeth Band

**Newton Bank Print Works Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire

Active in 1858. The print works were operated by Messrs Tinker, Wright and Unsworth.

**Newton Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1861, playing at a harvest festival in Onibury

**Newton Colliery Brass Band** - Cambuslang, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s. John McIntosh (d. 1920), assisted in the training of Newton Colliery bandmen. The colliery was Messrs Dunlop & Co's.

**Newton Colliery Brass Band** - Newton on the Moor, Northumberland

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Newton Engineering Works Band** - Somerset

Active in 1893

**Newton Green Methodist Band** - Suffolk

Active around 1934. Ted, front left in the picture, now aged 87 in 2011, recalled how the band went out carolling with the old fashioned carbide lamps which required moistening to activate the carbide powder. The band's uniforms were cast offs from Sudbury Band. Ted's small uniform was cut down and sewn together again by his mother with only a needle and thread as they were too poor to own a sewing machine. Ted's uncle John (behind him in the photo, playing bass) was the band's conductor. What's more John made up a foot pedal so that he could play, conduct and bang a bass drum as well. Now there's a multi-talented musician. Sadly the little boy in the photo with just the cap, and no uniform, was a very promising young cornet player who was killed in France during WW2.

**Newton Heath All Saints Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor Smith Sellars in 1899-1907. Also known as All Saints Sunday School Band

**Newton Heath Boys Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1940s

**Newton Heath Brass Band (1)**

See: *Newton Heath Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

**Newton Heath Brass Band (2)**

Probably formed after WW1, active from the 1930s through until it disbanded in 1999. Later known as Newton Heath W.M.C. and Institute Band to 1985, then British Aerospace (Manchester) Band and finally British Aerospace (Chadderton) Band.

**Newton Heath L.M.S. Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s

**Newton Heath Loco Works Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s

**Newton Heath Primitive Methodist Brass Band**

Founded in 1882 at the Newton Heath Primitive Methodist Sunday School. Later renamed Newton Heath Brass Band (before 1891), as it was found that "some people had a prejudice against Primitive Methodists". Active through until WW1

**Newton Heath Public Band**

See: *Newton Heath Brass Band (2)*

**Newton Heath Steam Shed Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1890s to 1900s

**Newton Heath W.M.C. and Institute Band**

See: *Newton Heath Brass Band (2)*



**Newton Heath Wagon Works Band**

See: *Newton Heath Steam Shed Brass Band*

**Newton Moor Public Band** - Newton, Hyde, Cheshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Newton Poppleford Brass Band** - Devon

Active from 1851. Conductor Joel Carter in 1858, J. Cann in 1905. Reformed in 1912 (20 members), conductor still J. Cann. Conductor O.H. Carter in 1914, R. Berry in 1927, Mr Barnard in 1931. Still active in 1935

**Newton Regis Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Formed in November 1905, still active in 1924.

**Newton Stewart Brass Band** - Wigtownshire

Active in 1858

**Newton Tony Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1858, 1862

**Newtongrange and Bilston Colliery Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Newtongrange Silver Band*

**Newtongrange Brass Band** - Midlothian

Formed around 1880, conductor James Nelson. Had folded prior to 1892 when a successor band was formed (the current Newtongrange Band)

**Newtongrange Lothian Silver Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Newtongrange Silver Band*

**Newtongrange Silver Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1892 - Former names: Newtongrange Lothian Silver Band, Newtongrange & Bilston Colliery Band, Scottish Brewers (Newtongrange) Band - Note: Temporarily disbanded 1930-32. Attached to the Lothian Coal Company before the National Coal Board took over.

**Newton-le-Willows Farm School Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, conductor E.N. Roff in 1908. The Liverpool Reformatory Farm School for Boys was opened at Newton-le-Willows in 1859 and rebuilt in 1867, accomodating 140 boys up to 14 years old.

**Newtown Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Newtown Linford Brass Band*

**Newtown Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newtown Silver Band*

**Newtown Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in 1861

**Newtown Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1859

**Newtown Linford Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1840s to the 1860s. Conductor J. Wesley in 1859

**Newtown Silver Band** - Montgomeryshire

[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: Newtown Brass Band

**Newtyle Brass Band** - Angus

Active in 1862

**Niddrie Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Benjamin Sim was its conductor for the first eight months of its existence.

**Niddrie Foundry Band**

See: *Niddrie Brass Band*

**Niddry Brass Band**

See: *Niddrie Brass Band*

**Nine Elms Brass Band - Surrey**

Active in 1875 and 1889

**Nine Elms Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band - Surrey**

Founded in 1869

**Nine Mile Point Colliery Silver Band - Cwmfelinfach, Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Conductor G. Philips in 1921 (when he was presented with an engraved silver and ebonised baton from the band)

**Ninfield Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1870s to 1915. Conductor Mr Sargent in 1907, W. Catt in 1914

**No. 5 Ambulance Area (Loscoe) Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1955

**Nocton and Dunston Brass Band**

See: *Dunston and Nocton Brass Band*

**Node Hill School Brass Band - Newport, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)**

The first ever IOW school brass band was formed at Node Hill in 2004. Catering for the pupils aged between 9 and 13 the band draws its membership from absolute beginners and was the brain child of head teacher and former SWT Woodfalls cornet player, Mr David Morris. It proved to be a runaway success and a training band was also formed, giving Node Hill over 60+ musicians benefiting from the experience of making music. Both bands were under the direction of Mrs Mary Teague, a music teacher and co-ordinator. Many of the children undertook exams and also play in other ensembles and groups. Highlights included a masterclass with Gary Cutt, CD recording, and competition and festival entries. The school closed in 2011 as part of the IoW school reorganisations.

**Node Hill School Brass Band - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)**

[current band] - Founded in 2002

**Nook Chapel Band - Cleckheaton, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Cleckheaton Temperance Brass Band*

**Noral Silver Band - Wales**

Active in 1952, competing the Welsh Area contest.

**Norbury Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in 1860

**Norfolk Brass - Norfolk**

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s - Former names: Reepham Temperance Band, Reepham Town Band (to 1984), Matthews Norfolk Brass (to 2008)

**Norfolk Broads Brass**

See: *Fleggburgh Brass*

**Norfolk Fellowship Brass - Norfolk**

[current band] - Founded in 2002

**Norfolk Wherry Brass - Norfolk**

[current band] - Founded in 2004

**Norham Village Band - Northumberland**

[current band]

**Norland Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1877, disbanded in 1937. In July 1891, they played in a contest at Belle Vue Manchester. Records of the band (1905-1928) held in Halifax Public Library

**Norland Prize Band**

See: *Norland Brass Band*

**Norley Temperance Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1869

**Norman Memorial Youth Silver Band** - Blackpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1960s and early 1970s. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by D. Smith.

**Normanby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1840s and 1870s

**Normanby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Normanby Park Steelworks Brass Band** - Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1920s and the 1930s. Took part in the Scunthorpe coronation celebrations of 1937.

**Normanton Bradley Street Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1900s - a mission/church band

**Normanton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Re-organised in 1900, conductor Mr Whinnie

**Normanton British Legion Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874

**Normanton Model Brass Band**

See: *Normanton Brass Band*

**Normanton Station Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1904

**Normanton Town Band**

See: *Normanton Brass Band*

**Normanton with Newland Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s, possibly linked to Newland Hall near Normanton

**Normid 2000 Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewe Brass*

**Norrithorpe Ambulance Band**

Active in 1910

**North and South Shields Temperance Band**

See: *Marsden Colliery Band*

**North Ashton Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: Downall Green Band, North Ashton Old Band

**North Ashton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**North Ashton Old Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *North Ashton Brass Band*

**North Ayrshire Band** - Ayrshire

Formed in 1975 as North Ayrshire Schools Band, later North Ayrshire Youth Band, finally North Ayrshire Band, it disbanded in 2005, passing on their instruments to

Hillfoots Music for Youth and Kings Park Brass. The band led an active and fairly successful life, touring Germany and Switzerland 6 times as well as making a number of radio and television appearances. In the 1980s they won the Scottish Youth Championship 3 times, coming 4th at the Royal Albert Hall in 1981. They won the Scottish 4th Section contest at their first attempt in 1994 and were second in 2000. Members of the band won the Strathclyde schools quartet championship on no fewer than 10 occasions and the Scottish schools quartets 5 times.

**North Ayrshire Schools Band**

See: *North Ayrshire Band*

**North Ayrshire Youth Band**

See: *North Ayrshire Band*

**North Bersted Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1908

**North Berwick Brass Band** - East Lothian

Active in the 1870s and 1900s

**North Biddick Colliery Band** - Low Lambton, Durham

Active in the 1890s

**North Birmingham Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1900s

**North Bitchburn Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**North Blyth Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1920s

**North Bradley Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1862, 1863

**North Britain Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in 1863 and 1864

**North British Locomotive Company Band**

See: *Glasgow Loco Works Band*

**North Buckinghamshire Music Centre Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1970s

**North Cambridge Youth Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1980s

**North Cave Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Barton in 1908

**North Central Mission Brass Band** - Hoxton, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s, based at the Wesleyan mission in Mintern Street

**North Chapel Brass Band**

See: *Northchapel Brass Band*

**North Cotswolds Volunteers Band**

See: *Campden Town Band*

**North Crawley Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1861 to the 1880s

**North Curry Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1830s to the 1920s. Conductor in 1902 was A.W. Colley. Conductor in 1928 was W. Denman.

- North Dalton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1870s to 1880s
- North Downs Silver Band** - Surrey  
[previous name of current band] See: *Epsom and Ewell Silver Band*
- North East Manchester Prize Band**  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- North Eastern Industries Brass Band**  
See: *South Durham Industries Brass Band*
- North Eastern Railway Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1895
- North Eastern Railway Servants' Brass Band** - Hartlepool,  
Active in the 1880s
- North Eastern Reformatory for Boys Band** - Northumberland  
The band was formed in 1903. The school was established in 1857 by the "Newcastle, Northumberland, and Durham Society for the Repression of Juvenile Crime, and the Reformation of Youthful Delinquents".
- North End Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
See: *Leicester North End Brass Band*
- North End Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Liverpool North End Brass Band*
- North End Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the late 1880s, conductor Mr Wilkes.
- North Evington Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- North Evington Working Men's Club and Institute Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1928, conducted by Mr S. Brown. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s, still active in 1939.
- North Frodingham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1850
- North Fylde Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[current band]
- North Hackney and Clapton British Legion Band**  
See: *North Hackney British Legion Band*
- North Hackney British Legion Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1920s
- North Hampshire Ironworks Band** - Basingstoke, Hampshire  
Active in the 1900s. Attached to the Wallis and Stevens Ltd foundry in Basingstoke
- North Hants Area Schools Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- North Heaton Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1898
- North Hill Brass Band** - Cornwall  
This band operated from about 1874 to 1889. Their bandmaster was John Gumb. In 1878 the band did not turn up for a 'Forester's' procession. The promoters were somewhat miffed and stated in the local newspaper that if the band tendered for the same event on the following year, their envelope would be returned - unopened. However, the North Hill Band carried on with other engagements.

**North Hyde Poor Law School Band**

See: *North Hyde St Mary's Brass Band*

**North Hyde St Mary's Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active from 1868 to the 1900s - based at the St Mary's Orphanage. Conductor J. Whaley in 1900, G. Dunn in 1904

**North Hylton Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s

**North Kent Brass Band** - Kent

[current band]

**North Kent Silver Band**

Formed in April 1940 as Bexley A.F.S. Brass Band and, in 1942, became the official National Fire Service Band for London, being known as the National Fire Service Silver Band (37 Area). Adopted the name of North Kent Silver Band in 1945.

**North Kilworth Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in December 1895, making its first public appearance in May 1896. Still active in 1906

**North Lambeth British Legion Band**

Active in the 1930s

**North Lancashire (Chorley) Band**

See: *North Lancs (Chorley) Band*

**North Lancs (Chorley) Band**

[no information]

**North Leeds Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1893 to 1896

**North Leigh Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Founded in 1862 or 1863, members were local young tradesmen. Still active in 1867

**North London Brass** - Enfield, Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 2010

**North London Brass Band** - Pentonville, Middlesex

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Charlesworth. Conductor H. Sibold in 1862

**North London Excelsior Silver Band** - London

Active from the early 1900s to the late 1940s

**North London Glee and Chorus Brass Band** - London

Active in 1859, conductor W.J. Wade

**North London Railway Brass Band** - London

Active in 1891.

**North London Temperance Brass Band** - London

Active from the 1860s to the early 1900s.

**North Manchester Silver Band**

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**North Manchester Subscription Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor E. Walshaw in 1907. Secretary T. White in 1916

**North Marston Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1890s to WW1. Conductor A. Cox in 1911

**North Middlesex Brass Band (1)** - Middlesex

Active in the 1860s to 1890s. Superseded by the "New" North Middlesex Brass Band around 1900

**North Middlesex Brass Band (2) - Middlesex**

Formed originally as Enfield Highway Band, possibly in 1902, it was renamed to (New) North Middlesex Band in 1906. Active to around 1909. A successor "North Middlesex Band" was formed in 1911

**North Middlesex Brass Band (3)**

See: *North Middlesex Silver Band*

**North Middlesex Silver Band - Middlesex**

Formed around 1911 at Enfield's famous Royal Small Arms Factory. The band wore a colourful military-style uniform, and before the Second World War enjoyed success in marching competitions and band contests, including fourth place at the National Championships. Merged with the Enfield Town Silver Prize Band in 1949, retaining the North Middlesex name until 1966, when it reverted to Enfield Brass Band.

**North Midlands Co-operative Band**

Active in the 1980s. A youth band existed at the same time.

**North Mimms Brass Band**

See: *North Mymms Brass Band*

**North Molton Brass Band - Devon**

Active from 1857 to the 1880s

**North Moor Brass Band - Oldham, Lancashire**

Active in 1884

**North Moor Methodist Brass Band - Oldham, Lancashire**

Active in the 1930s

**North Mundham Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in 1890

**North Mymms Brass Band - Hertfordshire**

Active around 1900 when it played at a "Patriotic Entertainment" to celebrate the relief of Mafeking. Also at a Coronation Fete in 1902 - "music was to come from the North Mymms Brass Band which, though at first requiring payment, agreed to play without charge." Still active in 1908, conductor R.W. Mason

**North Norfolk Brass - Norfolk**

Active in the 1980s

**North Ormesby and Middlesbrough Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1896 through to the 1910s

**North Ormesby Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Formed in 1898, still active in 1911

**North Ormesby Church Institute Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1867

**North Parade Brass Band - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1870s. Obtained new uniforms in 1877. William Swingler, late conductor of Alloa Band, started his musical career playing tenor horn at the age of 16 with the North Parade Band, in 1876. He went on to conduct the Halifax Borough Band and the Halifax Rink Brass Band, before moving on to Lee Mount Band.

**North Perrott Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**North Petherton Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1870s to the 1920s. Broke up during WW1 but reformed in 1919, conductor Mr Willshire

**North Powys County Youth Band** - Montgomeryshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1970 - Former names: Montgomeryshire County Youth Band

**North Quay Working Men's Mission Band** - Plymouth, Devon  
 Active in 1905

**North Riding Cricketers' Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in from the early 1870s to the early 1880s. Conductor in 1873 was Mr Wilkinson.

**North Riding of Yorkshire Schools Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in the 1970s

**North Salford Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in 1908

**North Seaton Brass Band** - Northumberland  
 See: *North Seaton Colliery Band (1)*

**North Seaton Colliery Band** - Northumberland  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Wansbeck's Ashington Colliery Band*

**North Seaton Colliery Band (1)** - Northumberland  
 Founded in 1863, with £13 initially being subscribed towards instruments and music, secretary Joseph Campbell. Played for the launching of the new Newbiggin lifeboat in January 1866, and the Woodhorn and Newbiggin Poultry and Pigeon Show in July that year. Secretary/leader R. Gillis in 1869. Conductor Thomas Gibson in 1874, with secretary John Weir. M. Johnson conductor in 1883. Presumably folded prior to 1905.

**North Seaton Colliery Band (2)** - Northumberland  
 See: *Seaton Hirst Excelsior Band*

**North Seaton Excelsior Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in 1875 and 1882.

**North Seaton Workmen's Prize Band** - Northumberland  
 See: *Seaton Hirst Excelsior Band*

**North Shields and District Band** - Northumberland  
 Active around 1900 to 1914

**North Shields Excelsior Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the 1870s. Came second in a contest in North Shields, £5, conducted by Mr Chapman, in 1877

**North Shields N.E.R. Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the early 1900s

**North Shields Salem Mission Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the 1900s/1910s

**North Shields Sons of Temperance Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor Edward Hogarth in 1882

**North Shields Temperance Band**  
 See: *North Shields Sons of Temperance Band*

**North Shields Victoria Brass Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in 1888 and the early 1890s. Conductor Mr Greenwood

**North Shore Flour and Rice Mill Company Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 Active in the early 1880s, conductor J.B. Ridge. The company was located between Boundary Street and Sandhills on the Mersey dockside

**North Shropshire Brass Band** - Shropshire  
 Active in 1855



**North Skelton (British Steel) Band**

See: *North Skelton and District Band*

**North Skelton and District Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1969, in 1984 they were renamed North Skelton (British Steel) Band, then subsequently British Steel Company North Skelton Band, Teesside Brass and finally British Steel Teesside Band, folding in the late 1990s. North Skelton Junior band, latterly Lanbaurch Brass, assumed the name North Skelton Band in 2008.

**North Skelton Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1983 - Former names: North Skelton Junior Band, North Skelton Concert Band (1987-90), Langbaurch Brass (to 2008)

**North Skelton Brass Band**

See: *Teesside Temperance Band*

**North Skelton Concert Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *North Skelton Band*

**North Skelton Hope to Prosper Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1900s through to 1915

**North Skelton Junior Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *North Skelton Band*

**North Skelton Miners' Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1920s

**North Skelton Silver Band**

See: *Teesside Temperance Band*

**North Somercotes Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1864 to the 1880s

**North Somerset Community Brass Band** - Hewish, Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 2008

**North Staffordshire Concert Band**

See: *Royal Doulton Band*

**North Staffordshire Concert Brass** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Trentham Brass Band*

**North Staffordshire Railway Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s to 1880s. In 1867 conductor was H. Hollins. Conductor in 1881 was G. Marriott

**North Staffordshire Railway Juvenile Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1869

**North Staffordshire Railway Locomotive Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

See: *North Staffordshire Railway Brass Band*

**North Street Brass Band**

Active in 1906

**North Tawton Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

See: *North Tawton Brass Band*

**North Tawton Brass Band** - Devon

Formed around August 1861. Conductor was E. Sam Lee in 1899, John Lee in 1902. Folded during WW2.

**North Tawton Silver Band** - Devon

Formed after WW2 and folded in the 1970s

**North Thoresby Brass Band**

See: *Fulstow and North Thoresby Brass Band*

**North Walbottle Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1910s

**North Walsham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1850s

**North Walsham Town Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s

**North Ward Brass Band** - Ovenden, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868

**North West Ham British Legion Band** - Essex

Active in the 1920s

**North Wingfield Brass Band**

See: *North Wingfield St Lawrence Brass Band*

**North Wingfield St Lawrence Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**North Wold Excelsior Brass Band** - Caistor, Lincolnshire

Active in 1885

**North Yorkshire Artillery Band**

See: *North Yorkshire Volunteer Band*

**North Yorkshire Iron Works Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

Active in 1872, 1874

**North Yorkshire Volunteer Band** - Richmond, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s/1870s. Disbanded prior to 1875.

**Northallerton and District Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Northallerton Silver Band*

**Northallerton Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1900s, still active in 1936. Probably folded during or after WW2

**Northallerton Borough Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1875

**Northallerton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1866, conductor J. Weldon

**Northallerton Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1962 - Former names: Northallerton and District Silver Band

**Northallerton Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867 to 1887. Possibly an alternate name for the current Town Band

**Northallerton Town Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1913

**Northallerton Town Prize Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1930 and 1937

**Northallerton Volunteer Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1910

**Northallerton Young Men's Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1863

**Northam Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor G. Andrews

- Northam Primitive Methodist Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1909
- Northampton Amateur Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor G. Ashton in 1860.
- Northampton Band of Hope Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1864
- Northampton Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1882
- Northampton Borough Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
See: *Northampton N.U.R. Silver Band*
- Northampton Imperial Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1904, conductor H. Stanley Thomas, late solo cornet player of Gravesend Town Silver Band. Active to 1916. Played as part of the celebrations for the visit to Northampton of His Majesty King George V and Her Majesty Queen Mary on Tuesday the 23rd September 1913 - at the racecourse and at Cow Meadow, conductor was E.D. Jones.
- Northampton Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Founded in 1860 from the inmates. Still active in 1867
- Northampton Men's Own Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Ernest H. Warner in 1909
- Northampton N.U.R. Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed after WW1 in 1918. Renamed Northampton Borough Silver Band 1929-1940, then Northamptonshire Home Guard Band 1940-45, Northampton Borough Band 1945-49, and finally Northampton New Imperial Band, 1949-mid/late 1950s
- Northampton New Imperial Band**  
See: *Northampton N.U.R. Silver Band*
- Northampton Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1870s
- Northampton Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1881. Leader Joseph Rogers in 1885. In 1885 the band had an income of over £97, 32 members (13 having left during the year, but with 21 new ones joining), 133 practices and 55 engagements undertaken. Active in 1892. Played as part of the celebrations for the visit to Northampton of His Majesty King George V and Her Majesty Queen Mary on Tuesday the 23rd September 1913 - at Cow Meadow and Calvesholme
- Northampton Town Band (1)** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1874. Active through to the early 1900s. Conductor J. Hagar in 1899, Albert Barker in 1902, Stanley Thomas in 1903
- Northampton Town Band (2)** - Northamptonshire  
Formed after WW1 around 1919 and active to the 1970s. Used to rehearse at the Fanciers club in Northampton and were conducted for a time by Jock Ward.
- Northampton West End Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Northamptonshire Home Guard Band**  
See: *Northampton N.U.R. Silver Band*
- Northants (Dodderidge Memorial) Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1930s

**Northants N.U.R. Silver Band**

See: *Northampton N.U.R. Silver Band*

**Northaw Brass Band - Hertfordshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Northchapel Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1880s and early 1890s. It must have folded during the 1890s as it was reformed around 1900, conductor Mr Ridgewell in 1904. Still active in 1910.

**Northenden Brass Band**

See: *Beswick and Company's Northenden Brass Band*

**Northenden Public Subscription Band - Cheshire**

Formed in 1929 as a church sponsored venture, but became independent a few years later. Later known as Northenden Silver Prize Band

**Northenden Silver Band - Cheshire**

[current band]

**Northfield Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active from 1869 to the 1950s

**Northfield Institute Band - Worcestershire**

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor A.J. Llewellyn in 1904, A.J. Ricketts in 1906

**Northfield Silver Band**

See: *Northfield Brass Band*

**Northfield Subscription Band**

See: *Northfield Brass Band*

**Northfleet Brass - Kent**

[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: Northfleet Silver Band, Northfleet Silver Prize Band

**Northfleet Silver Band - Kent**

[previous name of current band] See: *Northfleet Brass*

**Northfleet Temperance Band - Kent**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Northfleet Town Band - Kent**

Active in the 1890s to WW1.

**Northiam Brass Band - Sussex**

Founded in 1873 by Alfred Comport. Active to the 1950s. Bandmaster John Pettitt from 1883 until his death in 1911.

**Northhill Brass Band - Bedfordshire**

Active in 1863

**Northleach Town Band - Gloucestershire**

Formed c. 1890

**Northlew and Ashbury Brass Band - Devon**

Active in the 1920s to 1970s

**Northlew Silver Band - Devon**

[current band] - Founded around 1912

**Northmoor Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s, conductor George Blackwell.

**Northop Brass - Flintshire**

[current band] - Founded in 2013 - Note: Formed from members of the Northop Youth Band

**Northop Silver Band** - Flintshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1892

**Northorpe Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Northowram Brass Band**  
 See: *Northowram Subscription Band*

**Northowram Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Northtawton Brass Band** - Devon  
 See: *North Tawton Band*

**Northumberland Heath Mission Band** - Kent  
 Active in the 1900s

**Northumberland Police Band**  
 Active from the 1970s to 2005. Renamed Northumbria Police Band and later, in 2001, Gateshead Brass

**Northumbria Police Band**  
 See: *Northumberland Police Band*

**Northumbrian Water Ellington Colliery Band** - Northumberland  
 [current band] - Founded in 1925 - Former names: Lynemouth and Ellington Silver Prize Band, Ellington Colliery Band (to 2005)

**North-Western Railway Brass Band**  
 Active in 1863

**Northwich Adelaide Band**  
 See: *Verdin Adelaide Band*

**Northwich Brass Band** - Cheshire  
 Active in the 1840s to 1860s

**Northwich Verdin Adelaide Band**  
 See: *Verdin Adelaide Band*

**Northwood Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Active in the 1900s, conductor H. Carpenter in 1908

**Norton Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 See: *Norton Woodseats Brass Band*

**Norton Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active in the 1850s to 1870s

**Norton Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Norton-in-the-Moors Brass Band*

**Norton Brass Band** - Suffolk  
 Active in the 1930s

**Norton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 See: *Norton-on-Derwent Brass Band*

**Norton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Near Askern, the band was active in 1878

**Norton Canes Brass Band**  
 See: *Norton Canes Temperance Band*

**Norton Canes Primitive Methodist Band**  
 See: *Norton Canes Temperance Band*

**Norton Canes Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1900s to WW1, conductor Mr Richards in 1906

**Norton Fitzwarren Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1922 when it performed in Wellington, Somerset - bandmaster: F.J. Cheek

**Norton Woodseats Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Norton Youth Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1975

**Norton-in-Hales Silver Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1920s

**Norton-in-the-Moors Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Formed in 1857. Active through to the 1910s

**Norton-on-Derwent Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1881 when it was conducted by the founder of Malton United Band, William Turner. The band folded in 1888

**Norton-on-Tees Coronation Band**  
Active in 1911

**Norton-sub-Hamdon Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1888

**Norwest Co-op New Mills Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *New Mills Band*

**Norwich and East Norfolk District Foresters' Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1907, conductor R. Parkerson

**Norwich Area Brass** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1990s

**Norwich Blind School Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1860 to 1865. The Asylum and School for the Indigent Blind was founded in 1805 and was located in Magdalen Street. The performers were all blind.

**Norwich Brewery Brass** - Norfolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Castleton Brass*

**Norwich Brewery Youth Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1980s

**Norwich City Brass** - Norfolk  
[current band]

**Norwich Foresters' Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1867

**Norwich Lads' Club Band** - Norfolk  
Active from the 1920s to the early 1970s

**Norwich Lads' Club Senior Band**  
See: *Norwich Lads' Club Band*

**Norwich Old Veterans Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1900s

**Norwich Perserverance Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1857, 1860. Conductor Charles Widdows

**Norwich Silver Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1970s

- Norwich Victoria Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1900s
- Norwich Volunteer Rifle Corps Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the 1860s
- Norwich Y.M.C.A. Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1861
- Norwood Brass Band** - Beverley, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1890s
- Norwood Children's Home Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1920s. The home was located at Elder Road, West Norwood, originally established by the Lambeth Board of Guardians
- Norwood Excelsior Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1891, when it played at Brockwell Park, London.
- Norwood Imperial Prize Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1898
- Norwood Jewish Orphanage Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1907. The orphanage, originally established in Mile End, set up a purpose-built building at West Norwood in 1866, housing 220 children.
- Norwood Mission Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1910
- Norwood Town Band** - Surrey  
Active in 1905, conductor T. Wood
- Norwood United Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1860s
- Nostell Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Crofton Silver Band*
- Nottingham Albion Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1866. Conductor W.H. Norman in 1875
- Nottingham Band of Hope Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1858
- Nottingham Band of Hope Excelsior Brass Band**  
See: *Nottingham Excelsior Brass Band*
- Nottingham Borough Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Founded in 1868, conductor A.G. Brannan. Active through to the 1890s
- Nottingham Borough Police Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Founded in January 1861, conductor Mr Carter, made its first public appearance in May 1861. Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Sergeant Harley in 1904
- Nottingham Borough Temperance Band**  
See: *Nottingham Borough Brass Band*
- Nottingham Boys' Institute Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active through the 1900s, conductor R. Mills in 1909
- Nottingham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s
- Nottingham City Railway Band**  
See: *Netherfield Railway Band*
- Nottingham City Transport Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Carlton Brass (Nottingham)*

**Nottingham City Transport Band**

See: *Netherfield Railway Band*

**Nottingham Cobden Brass Band**

See: *Cobden Brass Band*

**Nottingham Comrades Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1920s. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor William Blackburn (drawn 8 of 11 bands, they were not placed)

**Nottingham Comrades of the Great War Band**

See: *Nottingham Comrades Band*

**Nottingham Co-operative Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Nottingham Crusaders Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active around 1910, when the conductor was J.E. Wood. Still active during WW1 in 1915

**Nottingham Excelsior Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1885. Conductor A.A. Hindley

**Nottingham Junior Saxtuba Band**

See: *Nottingham Juvenile Sax Tuba Band*

**Nottingham Juvenile Sax Tuba Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s

**Nottingham Juvenile Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1857, conductor Hugh Shimmells

**Nottingham Ladies' Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Made its first public appearance in September 1920, at the unveiling of a memorial to those 41 men killed in the Great War who resided in Garfield Road, Nottingham.

**Nottingham Men's Sunday Morning Institute Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor Wynne Humphries in 1908

**Nottingham Newcastle Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Nottingham Orphan Boys' Home Band**

See: *Nottingham Boys' Institute Brass Band*

**Nottingham Passenger Transport Band**

See: *Netherfield Railway Band*

**Nottingham Police Band**

See: *Nottingham Borough Police Band*

**Nottingham Ragged School Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1859

**Nottingham Railway City Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s to 1914

**Nottingham Railway Employees Band**

See: *Nottingham Railway City Brass Band*

**Nottingham Railway Servants Band**

See: *Nottingham Railway City Brass Band*

**Nottingham Rifle Volunteers Band, 4th**

See: *4th Nottingham Rifle Volunteers Band*

**Nottingham Road Primitive Methodists Band** - Ripley, Derbyshire

Founded in 1893, conductor Joseph Buxton



- Nottingham Sax Tuba Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Nottingham Temperance Sax Tuba Band*
- Nottingham Saxhorn Band**  
See: *Nottingham Temperance Sax Tuba Band*
- Nottingham Special Constabulary Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active during WW2 in the 1940s. Not to be confused with Nottingham Police Borough Band (founded in 1887, and still active) - a military band in formation.
- Nottingham Temperance Juvenile Band**  
See: *Nottingham Juvenile Sax Tuba Band*
- Nottingham Temperance Sax Tuba Band**  
Founded in 1857. Active to the 1890s. Conductor in 1860 was C.T. Hurst, W.H. Norman appointed in 1864, in 1887 was A. Hindley
- Nottingham United Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s, conductor H. Moore in 1888
- Nottingham Ventil Horn Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1860s
- NSF (Coal Products) Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Fishburn Band*
- NSK-RHP Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
See: *Ransome Band*
- NSK-RHP Ransome Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
See: *Ransome Band*
- Nuneaton Borough Band** - Warwickshire  
Active from the early 1900s. Amalgamated with Burbage Silver Band in 1989. As the band rehearsed in Hinckley it kept the name Burbage Silver Band.
- Nuneaton Brass** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1990s
- Nuneaton Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Founded in 1840. Active through to 1914. Conductor J. Mayes, leader John Shaw in 1858
- Nuneaton Excelsior Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1890s. [Newspaper report on the new Nuneaton Manor Hospital] - "Despite all the planning, the silver key had not arrived by the opening ceremony on the 20th September 1893 and Mr. James Tomkinson had to open the front door without it. After several long speeches those present were invited to have tea and look around the building. To do so they had to pass two nurses in uniform, one with a tray for donations and the other with a book in which to enter annual subscribers. When the hospital opened there was still a shortage of funds and consequently only four of the eight beds on each ward could be used. The minute book of the Management Committee details the costs of the opening ceremony, including £4 12 shillings for the Excelsior Band - a high cost when one considers that a trained nurses annual salary was £25."
- Nuneaton Independent Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1869
- Nuneaton L.M.S. Railway Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Nuneaton Town Band**  
See: *Nuneaton Borough Band*

**Nunhead Christian Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to the 1950s, conductor H. Leggett. The band was formed as part of the Nunhead Christian Mission by Frederick Thompson, who was its bandmaster for many years.

**Nunnery Wood Youth Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Worcester Concert Brass*

**Nunney United Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1868

**Nunnington Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1846 and 1856

**Nunnington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Nunnington Amateur Brass Band*

**Nursling Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor C. Melmoth in 1891, L. Chiddell in 1897

**Nutgrove Brass Band** - St Helens, Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to the late 1940s. It promoted a contest in 1901.

**Nuthurst Brass Band** - Sussex

Played in Horsham before the 1847 election, still active in 1858, conductor Mr Coomber.

**Nutley Brass Band** - Sussex

Records of the band, from 1914-1931 are held by East Sussex Record Office. The band was formed in 1911 from an amicable split in the members of the Ashdown Forest Temperance Band, and was active through to 1932 at least. The Ashdown Forest Temperance Band was also sometimes known as the Nutley Brass Band, having many of its members from the town.

**Nutshalling Brass Band** - Nursling, Hampshire

Active in 1890 to 1897

**Nyewood Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1908, still active in 1930

**Oadby Adult School Institute Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s to the 1930s

**Oadby Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Gilbert in 1866, J. Matthews in 1877. There was a "new" Oadby Brass Band in 1861

**Oadby Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1906, conductor A.M. Goddard. Still active in 1914

**Oadby Temperance Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1905

**Oak Alyn Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

Active in the late 1880s and 1890s

**Oak Alyn C.E.T.S. Band**

See: *Oak Alyn Brass Band*

**Oak Alyn Temperance Band**

See: *Oak Alyn Brass Band*

**Oakamoor Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[no information]

**Oakbank Brass Band** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. The Oakbank Industrial School was founded in 1878 on Mid Stocket Road (Aberdeen Industrial School for Boys). Bandmaster Mr Stavert in 1911, when they acquired a new set of brass instruments, of which the most delicate parts had been strengthened with wire shields! 8 Bb cornets, 2 Eb tenor horns, 2 Bb baritone horns, 2 Bb euphoniums, 2 Bb trombones, 3 Eb bombardons, 1 side drum. Conductor Mr Rowson in 1916, W.B. Denham in 1917, G.H. Hill in 1926

**Oakbank Industrial School Band**

See: *Oakbank Brass Band*

**Oakdale Colliery Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Oakdale Silver Band*

**Oakdale Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1920s - Former names: Oakdale Colliery Band

**Oakengates and District Band** - Shropshire

See: *Lilleshall Colliery Brass Band*

**Oakengates Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1856

**Oakengates Town Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Oakenshaw Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s. Probably folded before the Oakenshaw Colliery Band formed in 1899

**Oakenshaw Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in 1899, and still active in 1931

**Oakham Brass Band (1)** - Rutland

Formed in 1847 under the direction of Mr Read and Mr Till.

**Oakham Brass Band (2)** - Rutland

Formed in late 1856, under the direction of Mr Patrick, £56 being raised at a bazaar for the first eight instruments. Gave its first public performance in May 1857. Conductor Mr Brimfield in 1865, G. Dexter in 1886. Active through to 1917

**Oakham Town Band** - Rutland

See: *Oakham Brass Band (2)*

**Oakland Street Wesleyan Band** - Widnes, Lancashire

Active in 1891

**Oakley Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s, bandmaster C. Bunyan. Still active in the 1950s, conductor Mr. Ridge

**Oakley Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Oakley Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1863

**Oakley Brass Band**

Took part in the Second South Yorkshire Brass Band Contest, at Nether Hall Park, Doncaster, on 25th June 1860

**Oakley Quarry Brass Band**

Active in 1952

**Oakmead Boys School Brass Band** - Bournemouth, Hampshire

Active from the 1960s to the 1990s

**Oaksey Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1909

**Oakthorpe Wesleyan Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Oates Inghams Brass Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1870. Based at the Oates Inghams Dye Works.

**Oates Ingham's Military Reed Band**

See: *Oates Inghams Brass Band*

**Oatlands Parish Church Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s. Mr Gent conductor in 1904, J.N. Hunt in 1905. Became Hutesontown Silver Band in 1907, active through into the 1920s

**Oats Royd Mills Brass Band** - Midgley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s, disbanding in 1891. Originally the Luddenden Old Band, it assumed the name of Oats Royd Mills in 1864 when becoming connected with the firm of Messrs. John Murgatroyd and Sons who owned the Mills. They had a band room at the Travellers' Rest, Luddenden. Conductor Joseph Hartley in 1868. Presented with new uniforms by J. Murgatroyd in 1869. In 1871, the band played at the ceremony when the first sod was cut at Widdop Reservoir. Records of the band, from 1864-1891 are held by West Yorkshire Archive Service, Calderdale

**Ocean Brass** - Southampton, Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1998 - Note: Amalgamation of Solent Brass and Southampton Central Band

**Ockbrook Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1851, 1863

**Ockenden Brass Band** - Cuckfield, Sussex

Active from the 1860s to the 1900s. The band's original patron was Sir Walter W. Burrell, whose house was called Ockenden. Conductor Mr Anscombe in 1867, Ambrose Dumsday in 1871.

**Ockendon Silver Band**

See: *South Ockendon Silver Band*

**Ockham Industrial School Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1867

**Odd Rode Brass Band (1)** - Cheshire

Active in 1856 to 1862

**Odd Rode Brass Band (2)** - Cheshire

Active in 1952

**Oddfellows Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1981 - Former names: Unity Brass (to 2007) - Note: The official band of the Oddfellows

**Odham's Press Band** - London

Formed in 1937 and originally conducted by George Thompson, latterly of Callenders Cable Works Band. Renamed The People Band (Odham's Press) around 1957, it folded in 1961. George's new band was only a few months old when he attended the first rehearsal. He quickly realised that, apart from a couple of half decent players, the rest were all learners. He later told writer Arthur R. Taylor, "It didn't help either that they

were playing on instruments that were a load of rubbish". But George persevered and eventually they were playing a few scales at their lunchtime rehearsal room near Ludgate Circus. Within a year the band had come on in leaps and bounds, so much so that it was entered into its first contest at a small local event in Surrey and came away with a top three placing. However, during the war years the band had to curtail its activities owing to its members being called up for active war service. After the war, the band was reformed and carried on improving all the time. In 1952, it won the London and Southern Counties Daily Herald Brass Band area contest second section and then repeated that success again the following year. Further successes followed. George Thompson, now Musical Director, had taken the band from nothing to being a championship section band. In the late 1940s, the Band was asked to perform at "The People" National Darts Teams Championship held at the Horticultural Old Hall in London. As part of the "Grand Variety" entertainment, the Odhams Press Band was one of a number of acts that performed in between darts matches. For example, at the 1951 finals the Band played popular music between 6 - 6.20 p.m., that is prior to teams taking the stage for the first two matches in the quarterfinals. The Band then continued to play throughout the evening, presumably trying to make themselves heard over and above the cacophony of sound in the hall; the general chatter of the audience and the inevitable clanking of beer bottles and glasses. In 1953, George Thompson left Odhams Band and was succeeded by his brother James and shortly afterwards the name was changed to The People Band. This had nothing to do with the Band's success at the National Darts Teams final but more to do with publicity, an advert for "The People" Sunday newspaper which was part of Mirror Group Newspapers. See "Whatever happened to Odhams Press Band?", by Chris Helme - British Bandsman, 5441, 27 January 2007, pp.8-9

#### **Odiham and Hook Silver Band**

See: *Hook, Odiham and District Band*

#### **Odiham Brass Band (1) - Hampshire**

Active in 1847, still playing in 1870. Disbanded prior to 1889. The leader in 1863 was S. Cooper.

#### **Odiham Brass Band (2) - Hampshire**

Formed in 1889, conducted by Mr Tibble, played around the town on Boxing Day 1892. Disbanded prior to 1907.

#### **Odiham Brass Band (3) - Hampshire**

Formed in 1908, conductor D.T. Parnell, folding before or during WW1.

#### **Odstock Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

#### **Offerton Industrial School Brass Band - Cheshire**

See: *Stockport Industrial School Brass Band*

#### **Offerton Saxhorn Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

#### **Ogden's Tobacco Works Band - Liverpool, Lancashire**

Active in 1893

#### **Ogmore Town Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1900s

#### **Ogmore Valley Silver Band - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1893

- Ogmore Valley Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
Active from the 1890s to the 1940s
- Oil and Colour Works Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Messrs Blundell, Spence and Co.'s Works Harmonic Brass Band*
- Okeford Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1858
- Okehampton Borough Band** - Devon  
Active from the 1920s to the 1950s - may have been military style instrumentation
- Okehampton Brass Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *Okehampton Excelsior Silver Band*
- Okehampton Excelsior Silver Band** - Devon  
[current band] - Founded in 1828
- Old 22nd Association Home Guard Band** - Tunbridge Wells, Kent  
[no information]
- Old Abbey Brass Band**  
See: *St Alban's Abbey Brass Band*
- Old Alverstoke Brass Band**  
Active in 1872
- Old Bathgate Town Band** - West Lothian  
Active in 1873
- Old Boys Band, 41st**  
See: *41st Old Boys Band*
- Old Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1888
- Old Caversham Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Old Colwyn Brass Band**  
See: *Colwyn Brass Band*
- Old Comrades Band** - Brentwood, Essex  
See: *Brentwood Old Comrades Band*
- Old Deer Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire  
Active in 1866
- Old Durham Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Durham Old Brass Band*
- Old Farnley Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1893
- Old Fletton Victoria Prize Band** - Huntingdonshire  
Founded in 1904 as Fletton Subscription Band, bandmaster J.W. Hackney, soon after named Fletton Victoria Band. Conductor in 1905 was H.H. Barker. The band, almost to a man, joined the 1st Huntingdonshire Battalion en block, in 1914, and formed the Huntingdonshire Cyclist Battalion Band. They were under the direction of the Fletton Bandmaster Sgt. Joe Hackney.
- Old Hall Brass** - Wigan, Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1989
- Old Heath Band** - Essex  
Active in 1905, when the bandmaster was C. Chamberlain. The band did not survive WW1.

**Old Hill Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1900s

**Old Hill Ironworks Band** - Netherton, Staffordshire  
Active in 1891 - belonged to Noah Hingley and Sons Ironworks, producing 18,000 tons of pig iron per annum.

**Old Hucknall Brass Band**  
Active in the 1840s

**Old Keresley and Coundon Silver Band**  
See: *Keresley and Coundon Brass Band*

**Old King Street Wesleyan Brass Band**  
See: *Bristol Central Mission Brass Band*

**Old Meeting School Brass Band** - Kidderminster,  
Active in 1858

**Old Mill Subscription Band** - Barnsley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s

**Old Moss Band** - Holmfirth, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Folded a few years prior to 1908, when some of their instruments (and players) formed the basis of the Hade Edge Band

**Old National Reserves Band**  
See: *Scarborough National Reserve Brass Band*

**Old Nichol Street Mission Brass Band**  
See: *Hoxton Market Christian Mission Silver Band*

**Old Park Band**  
See: *Old Park Iron Works Brass Band*

**Old Park Iron Works Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire  
Active in 1866

**Old Polesworth Brass Band**  
See: *Polesworth Old Brass Band*

**Old Shoreham Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1860s to 1867

**Old Silkstone Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1861

**Old Wednesfield Star Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s

**Old West Durham Band**  
Formed in 1895 by workers in the Erwin Cotton Mills

**Old Whittington Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1863, 1864

**Old Whitwell Village Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Whitwell Brass Band*

**Oldbury Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Founded in early 1857, conductor Henry Bell

**Oldbury Carriage Works Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1860s, conductor Mr Goodyear (Goodyere) in 1862. The works band from Johnson's Carriage Works. Still active in 1865

**Oldbury Euphonic Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oldbury Euphonic Temperance Band*

- Oldbury Euphonic Temperance Band** - Worcestershire  
Active from 1860
- Oldbury Temperance Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oldbury Temperance Saxhorn Band*
- Oldbury Temperance Saxhorn Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the early 1860s to 1869
- Oldbury Town Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in the 1890s to 1910s
- Oldfield School Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset  
Founded in 1949
- Oldham A.T.C. Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Oldham Wing Brass Band*
- Oldham Band (Lees)** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 2004 - Note: Formed out of the ashes of Oldham Brass '97, players from Bare Trees Community Band and Dobcross Youth Band
- Oldham Blue Coat School Band** - Lancashire  
Active from 1852 to the 1910s. Based at the school endowed by Thomas Henshaw.  
Conductor Sam Howcroft in 1904
- Oldham Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1890s
- Oldham Brass 97** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1997 by the merger of Lees and Glodwick Band and the Cobden Chadwick Band. It folded in 2004, some of its remaining members going on to form the current Oldham (Lees) Band.
- Oldham Brass '97** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1997 by the amalgamation of Cobden Chadwick Band and Lees and Glodwick Band and disbanded in 2004. Remaining members helped to form the new Oldham Band (Lees)
- Oldham Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Oldham Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- Oldham British Legion Band** - Lancashire  
Formed after WW2, active from 1948 to the late 1950s.
- Oldham Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1872, still active in 1883
- Oldham Church Schools Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1868
- Oldham Corporation Tramways Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1907, folded in 1915
- Oldham Independent Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1869
- Oldham Metropolitan Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1990s
- Oldham Postal Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in 1908. Active to WW2.



**Oldham Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Oldham Brass Band*

**Oldham Rifles Band** - Lancashire

Instituted in 1865 as a local band and was appointed to Oldham Rifles in 1871. Active through to the late 1930s. In 1871 it became affiliated to the local volunteer regiment, which underwent various name changes over the years, which are reflected (sometimes apparently inconsistently) in the names that the band contested under. The history of the regiment name that the band was attached to is as follows: February 1860 - founded as 31st (Oldham) Lancashire Rifle Volunteers, November 1860 - became part of 7th Admin. Bn., 1880 - consolidated as 23rd corps, but changed back to 7th shortly thereafter, 1882 - new corps formed with same personnel - 22nd Lancs. RVC, 1888 - became 6th VB Manchester Regiment, 1908 - became 10th Manchesters

**Oldham Road Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire

Active in 1858

**Oldham Road Brotherhood Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Oldham Road Cleansing Department Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1895

**Oldham Road Congregational Brotherhood Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Oldham Road Brotherhood Band*

**Oldham Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1904. Conductor Charles Lawton in 1903

**Oldham Temperance Mission Band** - Lancashire

See: *Oldham Temperance Band*

**Oldham Tramways Band** - Lancashire

See: *Oldham Corporation Tramways Band*

**Oldham Volunteers Band** - Lancashire

See: *Oldham Rifles Band*

**Oldham Wing Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1945 to 1950

**Oldland Common Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1868

**Oldmeldrum Brass Band (1)** - Aberdeenshire

Active in the 1850s, disbanded before 1865. Conductor George Allan in 1855

**Oldmeldrum Brass Band (2)** - Aberdeenshire

Formed in 1865, giving their first performance at Christmas that year. Messrs Allan and A. Steel instructed the band, of 18 members at that time. Those two were the only members of the previous Oldmeldrum Brass Band involved. Active through to the 1920s. Conductor Mr Dickinson in 1872, Alex Bower in 1891, A.B. Henderson in 1926 (when the band sergeant was James Webster). Linked to the local volunteers in the early 1900s

**Oldmeldrum Volunteers Band**

See: *Oldmeldrum Brass Band (2)*

**Oldroyd's Brass Band**

See: *Messrs M. Oldroyd's and Sons Brass Band*

**Ollerton and Bevercotes Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the mid 1960s

- Ollerton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1854 and into the 1860s
- Ollerton Colliery Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active from the 1930s to the 1950s.
- Olney Brass** - Buckinghamshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1974 - Former names: Stantonbury Brass - Note: The band is an ensemble which is attached to the Milton Keynes Music Centre
- Olney Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire  
Active from the early 1860s, disbanding some time before 1890. Conductor George Field in 1864, L. Field in 1874. A successor band was formed in 1892
- Olney Brass Band (2)** - Buckinghamshire  
Formed in 1892, active through to the 1920s. Conductor James Hager in 1896. A successor band (the current Olney Brass) was formed in 1974
- Olney Town Temperance Band**  
See: *Olney Brass Band (2)*
- Olveston and Tockington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1865, conductor Mark Ann.
- Olveston Temperance Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1860
- Olympia Oil Works Band** - Barlby, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1914, bandmaster Mr Taylor (late of York Tramways Band). The Olympia Oil & Cake Co. Ltd, near Selby, operated the largest linseed oil crushing and refining plant in Europe at the time.
- Omoa Brass Band** - Cleland, Lanarkshire  
Active from 1861, attached to the local ironworks
- Omoa Iron Works Brass Band**  
See: *Omoa Brass Band*
- Onchan Silver Band** - Isle of Man  
[current band] - Founded in 1937
- Onchan Village Brass Band** - Isle of Man  
Active in 1869
- Ongar Comprehensive School Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1970s
- Onslow School Brass Band** - Hatfield, Hertfordshire  
Active in the 1970s
- Onward Hall Brass Band** - Ardwick, Lancashire  
Active in 1913
- Onward Temperance Band** - Ardwick, Lancashire  
See: *Ardwick Onward Temperance Band*
- Onward Temperance Band** - Cannock, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Teacher Chris Smith in 1892
- Openshaw and Bradford Subscription Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1917
- Openshaw Lads' Club Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Founded 1892. Joseph Frith, who worked as a carpenter for Droylsden Council, joined the voluntary staff at the Lads' Club in 1892 when he was asked to start a brass band there. He remained as it's bandmaster until 1922. He gave up 2 evenings a week and a

Sunday afternoon for band practice. Highly successful, the band won many prizes in festivals and competitions. A Mr Tucker, born in 1902, lived in Openshaw. He started his musical career by learning to play the cornet at Openshaw Lad's Club where he was allowed to hire a cornet for 5d a year. [However, there is also a report of Openshaw Lads' Club Brass Band in existence in September 1890, when they played at the Manchester and District Working Lads Inter Club Sports at Old Trafford, also in 1891 when they competed at Glossop).

**Openshaw Original Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s

**Openshaw Temperance Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Sedgwick in 1902

**Operative Bricklayers' Band** - Chelsea, Middlesex

Active in the early 1890s. Some of its members went on to form the Fulham Borough Band in 1895. The London Society of Operative Bricklayers was founded in 1848 and was an early trade union.

**Orderlies' Brass Band (Cleansing Department)** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1897

**Ore and Clive Vale Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s. Conductor E. John Mephram in 1905.

**Ore St Helens Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. G. Davis secretary in 1935

**Ore United Brass Band**

See: *Ore St Helens Brass Band*

**Ore Village Band** - Sussex

Active in 1913. Ore was a village taken into the Borough of Hastings as the town expanded but tried to retain its identity and even today is referred to as the village by the locals.

**Original Industrial School Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Active in 1890 and 1897

**Orion Airways Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sir Richard Arkwright's Masson Mills Band*

**Orleton Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Active in 1908

**Ormonde Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1940s

**Ormskirk Rifles Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to WW1

**Ormskirk Town Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1940s. It would appear that this was a non-contesting band. It folded sometime in the mid 1990s. The band was re-formed after WW2, probably as late as about 1970. Mrs Violet Blackburn of 11 Bird-ith-hand Cottages located band's old instruments, as she remembered them being placed in the tank of Ormskirks Victoria Water Tower for safe keeping during the war!

**Orphanage Institute Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1860

**Orpheus Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1850. Bandmaster Samuel Cresswell

- Orpington and Crays Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1864, 1865
- Orpington and Crays British Legion Silver Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1920s to the 1950s
- Orpington and Crays Railwaymen's Band** - Kent  
See: *Orpington and Crays British Legion Silver Band*
- Orpington Silver Band** - Kent  
Founded in 1925, it converted to concert band format some time later, probably after WW2, and is still active as a wind band. Competed in the SCABA contest in Chichester in April 1927. Became the Orpington Silver Band (Home Guard Band) during WW2
- Orpington St Joseph's Poor Law School Band** - Kent  
See: *St Joseph's Orphanage Band*
- Orrell Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s. Folded around 1993. A few of its remaining members formed Old Hall Brass in that year.
- Orton Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in the 1830s to the 1890s
- Orwell Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Active in the 1970s and early 1980s. Amalgamated with Connells Sounding Brass (Ipswich) in 1983.
- Orwell Works Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Active in 1879. Attached to Ransomes agricultural engineering works.
- Osborne Brass Band** - Wisbech, Cambridgeshire  
See: *Loyal Osborne Brass Band*
- Osbourne Rockingham Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rockingham Band*
- Osmotherley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1868 and the early 1900s
- Osmotherley Silver Jubilee Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1977 - Note: Many of the players had never played before but were taught by Dave Nichols, a teacher from the Allertonshire School, Northallerton
- Ossett and Gawthorpe Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Ossett Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1874. Active through to the 1960s
- Ossett Teetotal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Ossett Temperance Band*
- Ossett Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor J. Chappell in 1860. Competed against the Ossett Victoria Band at Sunderland in 1858
- Ossett Temperance Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Ossett Temperance Band*
- Ossett United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1876
- Ossett Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s. Competed against the Ossett Temperance Model Band at Sunderland in 1858

- Oswald Place Mission Band** - Ardwick, Lancashire  
[no information]
- Oswaldrwistle Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s
- Oswaldrwistle Brass Band**  
See: *Oswaldrwistle Subscription Brass Band*
- Oswaldrwistle Temperance Band**  
See: *3rd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers (Oswaldrwistle) Band*
- Oswaldrwistle Volunteers Band**  
See: *3rd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers (Oswaldrwistle) Band*
- Oswestry Borough Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1901, conductor G.H. Jones, and from the 1920s to the early 1950s
- Oswestry Borough Silver Prize Band**  
See: *Oswestry Borough Band*
- Oswestry Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Founded in 1858. Emerged out of the previous drum and fife band, when Joseph Berry, treasurer, solicited subscriptions to raise money for fourteen brass instruments. They rehearsed in the theatre, kindly allowed by W.O. Gore. Still active in 1868
- Oswestry Excelsior Band** - Shropshire  
Formed in 1935/6, winning first prize at the Penybont contest in 1936, following third prizes at the Oakengates and Wellington contests earlier in the year. Still active in 1972
- Oswestry King Oswald Band**  
See: *King Oswald Brass Band*
- Oswestry Mechanics Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the mid-1870s, conductor J. Evans
- Oswestry Volunteer Rifle Corps Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Othery Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1884, secretary P.S. Russ
- Otley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1840s to the 1870s. Conductor E. Thackeray in 1860. A successor band was formed in 1973
- Otley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1973
- Otley Engineers Volunteer Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1890s and 1900s
- Otley Hawthornden Brass Band**  
See: *Hawthornden Brass Band*
- Otley R. E. Band**  
See: *Otley Engineers Volunteer Band*
- Otterbourne Brass** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: Hampshire Concert Brass (to 1980), City of Winchester Brass (to 2003) - Note: Hampshire Concert Brass was formed from people who were too old to be in the Hampshire Youth Concert Band any more
- Ottery Amateur Brass Band** - Devon  
See: *Ottery St Mary Brass Band (1)*

- Ottery Good Templars Band** - Devon  
Active in 1916
- Ottery St Mary Brass Band (1)** - Devon  
Active from the 1850s to the mid-1890s. Conductor Mr Sandford in 1856. A successor band was formed in 1904
- Ottery St Mary Brass Band (2)** - Devon  
Founded in 1904, folding during WW1. Conductor Mr Cody in 1904, A. Berry in 1908, W. Cann in 1910, A.H. Carnell in 1914. A successor band (still active) was formed in 1920.
- Ottery St Mary Silver Band** - Devon  
[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Note: Formed after WW1
- Ottery St Mary Town Band**  
See: *Ottery St Mary Brass Band (2)*
- Oughterside and District Brass Band** - Cumberland  
[current band] - Founded in 1903
- Oughtibridge and District Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Oughtibridge Brass Band*
- Oughtibridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Don Valley Brass Band, Oughtibridge and District Silver Prize Band
- Oughtibridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s. A successor band (still active) was formed in the 1890s.
- Oulton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1860s to the 1920s
- Oulton Broad Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Blundell in 1906
- Oulton Corner Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1915, believed to have been associated with the Methodist Chapel
- Oulton Marl pits Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1900s
- Oundle Brass Band (1)** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in late 1863, conductor Mr Vinnicombe, making their second public appearance on Christmas Eve that year.
- Oundle Brass Band (2)** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1902, conductor J. Pullan
- Our Lady of Good Aid Brass Band** - Motherwell, Lanarkshire  
Active after WW2 in the 1940s and 1950s
- Ouseburn Wesleyan Mission Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor George Wraith in 1907, C. Waterhouse in 1909
- Ouston "E" Pit Band** - Durham  
See: *Birtley Ouston Pit Colliery Band*
- Ouston Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1900s. May have had some connection with Birtley St Joseph. There was also a Birtley and Ouston Band
- Ouston District Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1905
- Ouston Institute Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1905

**Outlane Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868 and through to WW1, disbanding in 1915. In 1903 they charged 30/- for a concert for the Outlane Cricket Club who, in 1914, refused permission for the Lindley Band to use the field for a "Sacred Concert". Conductor A.L. Dewhirst in 1904

**Outwood Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Outwood Public Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s

**Ovenden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1880s through to early 1930s

**Ovenden Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s, conductor J. Mallinson in 1882

**Over and Winsford Temperance Band** - Cheshire

See: *Winsford Temperance Brass Band*

**Over Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1910s. Also known as Over Silver Band. Conductor Mr Mellor in 1869, A. Finney in 1893

**Over Darwen Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Over Darwen Church Brass Band*

**Over Darwen Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1856 to 1865

**Over Darwen Rifles Band**

See: *Darwen Rifle Corps Band*

**Overton Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1879, when it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Foresters Lodge.

**Overton Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1861. Conductor Mr Wiltshire in 1862

**Overton Chapel Band**

See: *Overton Mission Band*

**Overton Mission Band** - West Overton, Wiltshire

Formed in the early 1900s, attached to the local Wesleyan Chapel. Amalgated with the Lockeridge Prize Band in 1934 to form Kennet Vale Silver Band. The bandmaster at that time was Fred Sprules.

**Overtoun Brass Band**

See: *Overtown Brass Band*

**Overtown Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Ovington Brass Band** - Northumberland

Founded in 1862. Merged with Tynedale Band in 1980 to form Ovington Tynedale Band. Conductor Giles Bell in 1870, J. Clark in 1887, Thomas Watson in 1903.

**Ovington Prize Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Ovington Tynedale Band*

**Ovington Saxhorn Band**

See: *Ovington Band*

### **Ovington Tynedale Band** - Northumberland

Founded 1980, Folded 2003. Ovington Tynedale Band was the result of a merger in the 1980's between Ovington Band and Tynedale Band. Seeing as both bands served a small rural area, a merger seemed sensible as both bands were struggling. Initially rehearsing at Ovington Bandroom, the band remained a 4th Section Band for several years. The sale of the Ovington Bandroom, at that time in disrepair, secured the band's financial future and prompted a move to Newburn Rowing Club. Here the band enjoyed moderate success, qualifying for the 4th Section National Finals on 2 occasions and securing promotion to the 3rd Section. Following the band's most successful result at the area, the long-standing MD Stuart Gray resigned. At this time several key-players also left. Combined with a long-standing lack of Cornet players, this sent the band into decline which even a move of bandroom couldn't address. After several years of struggling to find players, the band folded in early summer 2003. Several Ovington Tynedale ex-players have gone on to play and conduct at the highest level, mainly in the North East.

### **Ovington Tynedale Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1862 - Former names: Ovington Prize Brass Band (to 1986)

### **Owlerton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855 to 1869

### **Owlerton Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1865 to 1869

### **Owston Ferry Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1854, 1861

### **Owston Ferry Salvation Army Band** - Lincolnshire

Active around 1900

### **Oxcroft Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

### **Oxford Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1868

### **Oxford Cherwell Brass** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 2013

### **Oxford City Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1904

### **Oxford City Police Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1886

### **Oxford Concert Brass** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1972 as an offshoot of the existing Oxford bands, primarily City of Oxford Band. Active until 1992 when it merged with Kidlington Silver Band to form Kidlington Concert Brass. Also known as Halls Oxford Concert Brass. An anecdote from John Nolan, of a concert in the 1970s: "Oxford Concert Brass was attempting (successfully in the end) to gain the respect of the 'serious music' fraternity in Oxford. Problem Three of our players, one Eflat Bass and two Troms. had somehow manages to break or injure their legs and were in full plaster casts and in one case an impressive black-eye and the odd band-aid as well. Plan A was for the Band to march on to the stage smartly and with military precision from both sides of the stage and to stand and sit in the usual choreographed manner. This was to happen when the stage curtains were opened. The solution. It was decided that the smart entry would be made but that the 'cripples' would be wheeled onto the stage before the curtains were drawn. The audience seated were first



treated to an introductory adulation of the band:- "Ladies and Gentlemen. The Oxford Concert Brass". The curtains were opened to reveal a stage empty except for three obvious casualties propped up in playing position. Somebody got the giggles at this bizarre spectacle and the audience descended into helpless mirth for several minutes during the entry of the rest of the band. Happily order was eventually restored and the concert was well received and rave reviewed in the local paper". It maintained a presence in the championship section throughout most of the 1980's, although were classified in the the 1st section briefly when this was created in 1992 before the merger with Kidlington Silver Band. The band was known at various times under the name of its sponsors and these included Halls Brewery and Hartford Motors. The band always lacked a permanent home and rehearsals were held in Garsington and Milham Ford School. Conductors included: Jeremy Wise - 1992, Michael Pegram - 1990 - 1991, Adrian Leaper - 1984 - 1986, Cliff Edmunds - 1974 - 1979, Harold Williams - 1974 - 1981.

**Oxford Institute Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1891, conductor R. Taylor. Still active in 1895

**Oxford Place Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed around 1898, based on the Methodist Church in the town centre, and originally conducted by W.H. Tuxworth. Still active in 1907

**Oxford Post Office Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1900s

**Oxford Rifle Band, 5th**

See: *5th Oxford Rifle Band*

**Oxford Road Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1869

**Oxford Street Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1881, still active in 1891. Possibly folded in 1892, as an advertisement appeared, stating "For Sale - the whole of the instruments, late of the Oxford Street Brass Band, separate or otherwise, terms: cash. Apply W. Cragg, 10 Swann-street, Hull".

**Oxford Templars Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Former names: City of Oxford Silver Training Band

**Oxford University Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band]

**Oxford University Press Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1853. Formed from the men who worked at the press. Still active in 1884

**Oxford University Rifle Corps Band** - Oxfordshire

Conductor G. Adams in 1860.

**Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Saxhorn Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire

Active in 1858. In 1859 it played at the opening of the Stratford-upon-Avon Railway, and it lost its leader, Richard Debney (23), playing at his funeral. Still active in 1865. Also known as the Worcester Railway Brass Band

**Oxfordshire and District Youth Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Oxted and District Silver Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Oxted Band*

**Oxted Band** - Surrey

[current band] - Founded in 1901 - Former names: Oxted and District Prize Band, Oxted and District Silver Prize Band,

**Oxton Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1860. The band occasionally acted as the band for the 2nd Cheshire (Oxton) Volunteers. Conductor was M.A. Johns and instructor, Mr Sorge.

**Oxton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1880s

**P Division Police Brass Band** - Peckham, Surrey

Active in 1868. See also B, D, E, G, H, K, L, N, S and T Division Police Brass Bands

**Packmoor Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Padbury Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1864. Conductor Mr Showler in 1882

**Paddington Borough Brass Band**

See: *G.W.R. and Paddington Borough Silver Band*

**Paddock Wood Brass Band** - Kent

Founded in the mid-1890s. Active to the 1950s. Conductor in 1898 was W. Potter. Known as Paddock Wood Silver Band from the late 1920s onward.

**Paddock Wood Silver Band**

See: *Paddock Wood Brass Band*

**Padeswood Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1865

**Padgate Brass** - Lancashire

[current band]

**Padgate Cottage Homes Band** - Lancashire

See: *Warrington Workhouse Brass Band*

**Padgate Silver Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

[no information]

**Padgate Silver Youth Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Formed in 1976 by Peter Haywood, for children 8 to 16 years. It probably disbanded in the early 2000s. During its early years it was fortunate to do two 30 minute performances at the Parr Hall, Warrington as part of concerts given by The Central Band of the Royal Air Force and by Grimethorpe Band. It also played for the new Intercity 125 Service at York and Darlington stations (and on the train itself at 125mph!)

**Padiham Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1851

**Padiham Britannia Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1865 to 1868

**Padiham Catholic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1879

**Padiham Public Band** - Lancashire

Fundraising to raise a band took place in 1890, so it was probably formed in late 1890 or early 1891. It folded in 1893, the uniforms being sold to a Blackburn band, and the instruments were handed over to the local Volunteers, under Captain Bear (the F Company, 2nd Volunteer Battalion East Lancashire Regiment), for £150.

**Padiham Rifles Band** - Lancashire

See: *84th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Padiham*

**Padiham Teetotal Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1853

**Padiham Volunteers Band** - Lancashire

See: *84th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Padiham*

**Padstow Amateur Brass Band**

Active in 1875

**Padstow Temperance Band**

Active in 1871

**Padstow Town Band (1)** - Cornwall

Active in 1907 - presumably folded before or during WW1

**Padstow Town Band (2)** - Cornwall

Formed after WW1 from members of the previous Artillery Volunteers Band, they carried on until 1939. Their first title was 'Padstow Comrades of the War Brass and Reed Band', changing in 1921 to 'Padstow British Legion Band.' In 1923 their conductor was S M Ravenhill, an organist, and in 1932 Edgar Tonkin was the bandmaster. He had conducted the old Volunteer band for a good period of time. They were formed in time for the 1919 Peace Celebrations, and for quite a while were raising funds to purchase new instruments and uniforms, an ambition that was finally realized in 1932. The band re-emerged in the 1950's, but throughout their history they never attended a Cornish contest.

**Painswick Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Probably originally formed in the 1830s but disbanded in the 1880s, to reform around 1898. A local WI report in 1957 states "the band was formed with instruments purchased by a former Vicar, Mr Seddon. A start was made practicing hymns in a hut in the recreation ground, the idea being to induce people who did not go to Church to take an interest in this music, in which later, they might join with better advantage in Church. This Band has been given up of recent years to the regret of many inhabitants." The assumption here is that the band disbanded around 1955. In May 1899 Church Parade of members of Stroud Working Mens Benefit Soc and others, headed by the band. July 1899 the Band played where people went along "to listen to the band" followed by dancing. Band congratulated on their progress "since their formation under the conductorship of Mr Kimberley....." 19 May 1900 the Band headed procession through village to mark Relief of Mafeking. Also in May headed the procession to celebrate the Queens Birthday. Jul 1900 Procession upon receipt of news of occupation of Pretoria by British troops. Jul 1900 - two day Bazaar and Fete, events supported by Painswick String and Brass Bands. Aug 1900 Played at Tea Party for members of Primitive Methodist Sunday School. Feb 1901 - the Band celebrated their first appearance in their new uniforms at a 'fun' football match. A note at this time reports: "The Band had existed in Painswick for over 50 years under the direction of Mr Benjamin Clissold but when he emigrated the Band broke up". In 1935, for the Jubilee, Painswick Silver Band headed the procession through village streets to the recreation ground. Coronation Celebrations - Carnival Day - Painswick Silver Band led procession to recreation ground - and later in the day led a large crowd to 'The Beacon' (a local high spot) for a mighty bonfire.

**Painswick Silver Band**

See: *Painswick Brass Band*

**Paisley Artisans' Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in 1859 and the 1860s. Agreed to become the band of the Paisley Rifle Volunteers in 1863

**Paisley Artizans' Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

See: *Paisley Artisans' Brass Band*

**Paisley Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Active from the 1840s to the late 1860s. Leader for about 20 years was Robert Ewing.

**Paisley Industrial School Band** - Renfrewshire

Formed in 1874. The school was located in Albion Street.

**Paisley Silver Band**

See: *Paisley Youth Silver Band*

**Paisley Total Abstinence Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in 1855

**Paisley Town Band** - Renfrewshire

Active in the 1900s to 1914

**Paisley Youth Silver Band** - Renfrewshire

Active from the early 1980s and early 1990s, rapidly rising through the ranks in contesting, becoming Paisley Silver Band in 1988.

**Palace Fleet Brass Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the late 1870s

**Palmer's Naval Band**

See: *Palmer's Works Band*

**Palmer's Shipyard Band**

[no information]

**Palmer's Works Band** - Jarrow, Durham

Active from the early 1900s. Associated with the Palmer's Shipbuilding and Iron Co. (Hebburn and Jarrow on Tyne). Changed its name to Jervis Brass Band when the Palmer's shipyard closed. Probably folded in the 1950s or 1960s.

**Pangbourne and District Silver Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1962

**Pangbourne Silver Prize Band**

Founded in 1893 as a fife and drum band, converted to brass around 1905. Disbanded in 1939. Successor band was formed in 1962

**Panteg Battery Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Thomas Berry in 1904

**Papworth Settlement Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1950s

**Paragon Brass Band** - Leintwardine, Herefordshire

Active in 1869, conductor Mr Gough

**Parbold Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1890

**Parbold Old Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1902, 1909

**Parbold Rechabite Brass Band** - Lancashire

The band led a procession from Bispham School in 1897 to celebrate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. It comprised the Managers, the Trustees, Staff, Parents, children, and two gaily decorated wagonettes containing little children. Entertainments included: Tea, Punch and Judy, Sports, and at the end bronze medals and bars were presented to each child by the Governors as a memento.

**Parc and Dare Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1893 - Former names: Cwmparc Temperance Drum and Fife Band, Cwmparc Silver Band, Briths Fuels (Parc & Dare) Band, Parc & Dare Workmen's Silver Band

**Parc and Dare Workmen's Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Parc & Dare Band*

**Parham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1854, 1860

**Park Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Leeds Royal Park Brass Band*

**Park Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Obtained new uniforms in 1887

**Park Estate Brass Band** - Hollinwood, Lancashire

Active in the early 1890s

**Park Hall Band** - Maddiston, Stirlingshire

Active in 1882

**Park High School Band** - Colne, Lancashire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Park High School Band** - Stanmore, Middlesex

Active in the 1970s to 1990s

**Park Lane British School Brass Band** - Prestwich, Lancashire

See: *Park Lane School Brass Band*

**Park Lane School Brass Band** - Prestwich, Lancashire

Active from the 1850s, bandmaster William Jones. The school was opened in 1848, built by R.N. Philips, owner of Philip's Park, and regularly entertained guests at the Park. It played at Philips' appointment as High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1856 and the opening of Agecroft Bridge in 1862. Still active in 1869

**Park Lane Station Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1860. This was formed by workers at the Park Lane Goods Station, conductor Mr Cruse, the station-master. It was a band formed on temperance principles.

**Park Mines Brass Band** - Dalton, Westmorland

Active in the 1870s

**Park Place Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1854

**Park Street Children's Home Band**

See: *Hull Orphan Sailors Childrens Brass Band*

**Park Street Mission Band** - Gloucester, Gloucestershire

Active from the early 1880s to the late 1940s

**Park Street Orphan Home Brass Band**

See: *Sailors' Orphans Boys Brass Band*

**Parkend Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1862 in the 1860s, also the 1900s. Conductor T. Brown in 1901, Frank Brown in 1903, H. Griffiths in 1909, Frank Brown in 1921. Still active in 1926

**Parkend Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Note: Disbanded in 1967 but reformed in 1973

**Parkend Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in 1893 or 1895 from the existing pipe and fife band of New Fancy colliery, disbanded in 1967. Successor band formed in 1973

**Parker's Brewery Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active after WW2 in the 1940s and 1950s.

**Parkfield Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1868

**Parkfield Colliery Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active in 1863

**Parkfield Parish Brass Band** - Middleton, Lancashire

Active in the late 1930s

**Parkgate Alexandra Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1873

**Parkgate Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the early 1880s

**Parkgate Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1904 to the 1910s. There is a report of it disbanding in 1907, so it must have been revived quite quickly.

**Parkgate Iron Company Band**

See: *Parkgate Works Brass Band*

**Parkgate Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1887 to 1903

**Parkgate Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1909

**Parkgate Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1871, based at the Parkgate Iron Company

**Parkhead Forge Silver Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Formed in 1918 by workers at William Beardmore and Co., Glasgow. It flourished for several years before going into decline only to rise again in the 1940s gaining the Scottish Championship title. Principal cornet in 1938 was William Summerhill. The remaining players merged with those of the Bonnybridge and District Band to form Cumbernauld Silver Band in 1970.

**Parkinson's Gas Meters Brass Band** - Clerkenwell, Middlesex

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Foxall. Still active in 1866. This was the works band of W. Parkinson & Co. who were the major gas equipment manufacturers in that time (went on to become Parkinson-Cowan)

**Parkneuk Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1897

**Parkstone Brass Band**

See: *Parkstone Town Band*

**Parkstone Town Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Merged with Branksome Brass Band c.1908 to form Branksome and Parkstone Band. Bandmaster in 1902 was Alfred Watts, Mr Fish in 1906

**Parr Band (St Helens)** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1936 - Former names: Parr Church (Young Men's) Brass Band, Parr Public Band - Note: Other related local bands: Parr Temperance Band, Parr St Peters Brass Band

**Parr Church (Young Men's) Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Parr Band (St Helens)*

**Parr Church Young Men's Brass Band** - Lancashire

In 1927/28 - the Parr Boys Brigade Bugle Band changed to Brass complete with valve Trombones and Sousaphone under the direction of Mr Chas Fradley (Snr). After two years due to the poaching of players etc. it became dormant. However in 1930 Parr St Peters Band being unavailable for the Patronal Festival (they had booked a job in Ashton) the Boys Brigade players were rounded up and the band was resurrected by the Curate Mr Warburton and Mr T Wall (Snr), who was a committee man for Parr St Peters Prize Band. This band (Parr St Peters) was unconnected to the church in spite of bearing its name but had the use of rehearsal rooms in return for certain performances. Most former band members of the Boys Brigade were now in the Young Mens Bible Class and at the behest of the curate the Band continued its life as Parr Church (Y.M.) Brass Band with no connection whatsoever with Parr St Peters Prize Band. Mr T Wall was asked to become secretary of the Church Band and left the committee of the Prize Band. The Band rehearsals were held at Brookfield Mission, then an old house called 'Electro House', in Boardmans Lane. Mr Chas Fradley was unable to continue conducting and eventually Mr Tom Cunliffe (Stm) was appointed. His place was later taken by Mr Geo Langley with Mr Peter Pennington as assistant. All this was done under the auspices and goodwill of the Vicar, Mr T S Gent, and Curate, Mr Warburton. In 1936 there was a change of clergy at Parr St Peters, the new vicar Mr A V Diamond deciding in conjunction with the church council that the former Boys Brigade Band be told to forego its name and become Brookfield Mission Band. The members said they belonged to Parr and would retain that even if deprived of church facilities and rehearsal rooms etc? On the next Friday evening the band played up to the church and handed the instruments in to the Vicar's care in the vicarage. The players eventually obtained further instruments and set up the new Parr Public Brass Band that year, which continues to this day.

**Parr Public Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Parr Band (St Helens)*

**Parr St Peter's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to 1930 at least. Conductor Chris Smith in 1899

**Parr Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to the late 1950s. Conductor W. Appleton in 1899

**Parracombe and Lynton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Parracombe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1895, 1911, 1921 (conducted by W.H. Chapple)

**Parrett Iron Works Brass Band** - Martock, Somerset

Active in 1863. Conductor Mr Loaring in 1865. The works were owned by the West of England Engineering and Coker Canvas Company, producing horizontal, high pressure and condensing engines for mining companies traction engines, threshing machines, water wheels, corn mills, flax and spinning machinery, power looms and iron and wooden wheels. Still active in 1867

**Parson Drove Silver Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active from the 1930s to the early 1960s

**Partick Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863

**Partick Gospel Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1890s

**Partick Instrumental Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Partick Brass Band*

**Partington Public Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Partington Silver Prize Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1896 and the 1900s

**Partington Steel and Iron Company Works Brass Band** - Cheshire

Formed shortly after 1910, bandmaster J. Higham, conductor J. Jennings. Active in the 1920s

**Partridge Green Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1900

**Passmores School Brass Band** - Harlow, Essex

Active in the 1970s

**Patcham Parish Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Patcham Silver Band*

**Patcham Parish Church Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Patcham Silver Band*

**Patcham Parish Church Voluntary Aid Corps Silver Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Patcham Silver Band*

**Patcham Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1946 - Former names: Patcham Parish Church Voluntary Aid Corps Silver Band (to 1964), Patcham Parish Band (to 1966), Patcham Parish Church Band (to 1992)

**Patchogue Plymouth Amoco Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

**Pateley Bridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the early 1850s, still active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Flint in 1891, William Horner in 1906.

**Pateley Bridge Oddfellows Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Patent Axle and Tyre Works Band**

See: *Lloyd and Foster's Axle and Tyre Works Saxhorn Band*

**Pathhead and Dunnikier Public Band** - Fife

See: *Pathhead Brass Band*

**Pathhead Brass Band** - Fife

Founded in 1875, active to the 1910s, known as Pathhead Public Band from the early 1900s, then Pathhead and Dunnikier Public Band from 1908. Conductor Andrew Grieve in 1875.

**Pathhead Public Band** - Fife

See: *Pathhead Brass Band*

**Patricroft Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Mr Hart in 1899, J. Williams in 1900

**Patricroft Christ Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Christ Church (Patricroft) Brass Band*



**Patrington Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in 1845, leader James Dalton, folded before 1857 when a successor band was formed.

**Patrington Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Formed in January 1857, Mr Brown being music master. Leader W. Jackson in 1860. Still active in the late 1870s

**Patterdale Brass Band - Westmorland**

Active in 1861 to 1868

**Pattishall Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in 1866, 1867

**Paul Brass Band - Cornwall**

This band lasted for about 65 years, acting from c.1870 to the mid 1930's. They do appear to have been a popular band carrying out the usual village type engagements of the times. There is recorded a conductor named C. Aitken in 1914 and later, in 1933, was S. Carne. Another band that did not enter for contests.

**Paull Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Barrett. Still active in 1864

**Paulton Brass Band**

See: *Paulton Silver Band*

**Paulton Brotherhood Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in 1910

**Paulton Silver Band - Somerset**

Active from the 1890s to the late 1960s. Competed in the 1962 West of England Regional Championships (2nd Section), conducted by E.S. Brown

**Pavilion Brass - Barking, Essex**

[current band] - Founded in 1990

**Paxman Standard Ironworks Band**

See: *Davey Paxman Standard Ironworks Band*

**Paxman's Foundry Band**

See: *Davey Paxman Standard Ironworks Band*

**Payhembury Brass Band - Devon**

Active in 1901

**PCA Skipton Band**

See: *Skipton Brass Band*

**Peacock's Gorton Band**

See: *Gorton Foundry Band*

**Peak Dale Colliery Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1912, 1913

**Peak Dale Public Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1980s

**Peak Dale Silver Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Peak Dale Public Band*

**Peak Forest Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1872 to 1890

**Peakirk and Glington Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

See: *Peakirk cum Glington Brass Band*

**Peakirk Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Peakirk cum Glington Brass Band*

**Peakirk cum Glington Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Smith in 1887, George Samuel Perkins in 1888

**Pearson Family Brass Band** - Bishopwearmouth, Durham

Active in 1864. Consisted of Mr Pearson, his three daughters and Master Pearson

**Pearsons Pottery Chesterfield Band**

See: *Chesterfield Brass Band*

**Pease Street Mission Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded around 1904, conductor A. Piercey. Still active in 1908

**Pease West Colliery Band** - Crook, Durham

Formed in 1898 at Jobs Hill Colliery. Name taken from one of the colliery owners, Mr Joseph Pease. Still active in the mid 1920s. Conductor J. Mudd in 1899

**Peasedown Silver Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Peasenhall Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1862, conductor H. Smyth. Originally founded as the works band for Messrs Smyth & Sons, drill manufacturers. In 1907 it played at Leiston Flower Show. The Cooke and Garnett families are mentioned in records. There is a rumour that the instruments were stored in the attic of the Bell hotel in Saxmundham.

**Pease's West Silver Prize Band**

See: *Pease West Colliery Band*

**Peasley Cross Brass Band**

See: *Holy Trinity Brass Band (Parr)*

**Peasmarsh Brass Band (1)** - Sussex

Active in 1864

**Peasmarsh Brass Band (2)** - Sussex

Active from 1900 to the 1950s. Conductor G. Ashdown in 1911. Notes from Tylden Reed: "Rehearsed in the Sunday school next to the local post office. Their larger instruments were layed out on tables at the back of the hall and I would blow into the mouthpieces and get the occasional note out of them before Sunday School started! As a small boy I used to listen to them in the evenings when I should have been in bed asleep! They were to feature in the film made in the forties called 'The Loves of Joanna Godden' starring Googy Withers, John McCullam, Chips Rafferty and others made on Romney Marsh in Kent, however the band along with my Dad (Vic Reed) ended up on the cutting room floor! The film can still be seen on TV occasionally. The band gets a mention on a poster in a shop window! I cycled 3 Miles to Rye to play in that band as I had school friends there and never played in the band that got me interested in banding in the first place! I think the band closed in the 1960s."

**Peckett's Brass Band** - Scarborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Conducted by A.J. Peckett in 1858

**Peckham and Dulwich Radical Club Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1887

**Peckham Brass Band** - Kent

See: *East Peckham Brass Band*

**Peckham Rye Sunday Band** - East Dulwich, Surrey  
Active in 1895 to 1901, conductor F.H. Gay in 1900

**Peckham Rye Tabernacle Band** - East Dulwich, Surrey  
Active around 1910

**Pecy Main Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1860s

**Peebles Brass Band** - Peeblesshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Peebles Burgh Silver Band*

**Peebles Burgh Silver Band** - Peeblesshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1834 - Former names: Peebles Brass Band, 1st Peebleshire Rifle Volunteer Band (1872-1888), Peebles Town Band (to 1895), Peebles Silver Band (to c. 1950)

**Peebles Silver Band** - Peeblesshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Peebles Burgh Silver Band*

**Peebles Town Band** - Peeblesshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Peebles Burgh Silver Band*

**Peel Band** - Isle of Man  
Active in 1885

**Peel Brass Band** - Little Hulton, Lancashire  
Active in 1869, conductor Mr Astle

**Peel Institute Brass Band** - Finsbury, Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s to 1920s. Conductor J.F. Beeson in 1905. Merged with London Silver Band to form Finsbury Borough Band / Peel's Silver Band

**Peel Park Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1855

**Peel's Silver Band** - Finsbury, Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s. Also known as Finsbury Borough Band

**Peers' Brass Band** - Sandbach, Cheshire  
See: *Messrs Peers' Brass Band*

**Pegswood Brass**  
See: *Pegswood Colliery Band*

**Pegswood Colliery Band** - Morpeth, Northumberland  
Formed in the 1890s. Later known as Pegswood Brass. Folded in 2000.

**Pelaw Colliery Band**  
See: *Wardley Colliery Brass Band*

**Pelaw Main North Eastern Railway Band** - Durham  
Active in 1907

**Pellon Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1860

**Pellon Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1890

**Pelsall Benevolent Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1868, conductor Jacob Cooper

**Pelsall Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the early 1860s to the 1890s

**Pelsall Havelock Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s

**Pelsall Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Pelsall Brass Band*

**Pelsall Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Pelton Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1880s, still active in the mid-1970s. Also known as Pelton Institute Band, Pelton Fell Workmen's Band. Conductor A. Hogg in 1883

**Pelton Fell Colliery Band**

See: *Pelton Colliery Band*

**Pelton Fell St Andrew's Band**

See: *Chester-le-Street St Andrews Brass Band*

**Pelton Fell Workmen's Band**

See: *Pelton Colliery Band*

**Pelton Institute Band**

See: *Pelton Colliery Band*

**Pemberton Amateur Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Pemberton Old Wigan Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1883 - Former names: Blue Jackets Band, Wigan Rifles Band (to 1891)

**Pemberton Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1906, 1909 and 1920

**Pemberton Total Abstinence Brass Band**

See: *Pemberton Temperance Brass Band*

**Pembroke Borough Silver Band** - Pembrokeshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1950s - Former names: Pembroke Silver Band

**Pembroke Dock Total Abstinence Band** - Pembrokeshire

Active in the 1900s

**Pembroke Road Brass Band** - Shirehampton, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Pembroke Silver Band** - Pembrokeshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Pembroke Borough Silver Band*

**Pembrokeshire Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire

[current band] - Founded in 2000

**Pen yr Orsedd Band** - Caernarfonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Nantlle Vale Royal Silver Band*

**Penallta Colliery Band** - Hengoed, Glamorgan

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Still active in 1991 when the the Pennallta mine closed.

**Penarth Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Penarth Post Office Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1912

**Pen-bont Rhydybeddau Band** - Cardiganshire

Active in the 1870s

**Penclawdd Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Penclawdd Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1920s. A successor band was formed in 1973

**Pencoed Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Pencoed Concert Brass*

**Pencoed Concert Brass** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Pencoed Brass Band, Pencoed Public Brass Band, Pencoed Silver Band

**Pencoed Public Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Pencoed Concert Brass*

**Pencoed Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Pencoed Concert Brass*

**Pendeen Independant Band** - Cornwall

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor J.H. Ellis in 1903-1911, James Williams in 1935

**Pendeen Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1892

**Pendennis Brass** - Falmouth, Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1980

**Pendle Forest Brass Band** - Newchurch in Pendle, Lancashire

Active from the early 1900s to the late 1920s

**Pendlebury and Clifton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to 1900s. In 1882 it entered the contest held at Irwell Bank, Kearsley, playing "Strike the Lyre" and a set of quadrilles.

**Pendlebury Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Pendlebury High School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1970s

**Pendlebury St John's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Pendleton Brass Band**

See: *Pendleton Old Prize Band*

**Pendleton Co-operative Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1910s, folding in 1916

**Pendleton Excelsior Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded February 1879, active in the 1880s

**Pendleton Old Prize Band** - Lancashire

Founded 1878 as the British Workman's Brass Band. Survived a rough time around 1889: Won the Lancashire Association Challenge Cup in 1895 and entered 10 contests in 1899, winning 10 prizes. In 1903 they competed in the Crystal Palace contest in October winning Daily Telegraph Fifty Guineas Challenge Cup, £25 in money and a handsome certificate. The cup was presented at a grand miscellaneous concert at Pendleton Town Hall later in the month. Played in Victoria Park, Stretford on 13th July 1905 as part of the celebrations for the Royal Visit of King Edward VII. Took part in a St George's Day procession in Pendleton on 23rd April 1910. In June 1922, conducted by Mr O Pheasey it took part in a musical festival in aid of Salford Royal Hospital, which attracted some 30,000 people to the Castle Irwell Racecourse. Still active in 1939

**Pendleton Primitives Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1905

**Pendleton Public Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to 1930s. In June 1922, conducted by Mr B Powell, it took part in a musical festival in aid of Salford Royal Hospital, which attracted some 30,000 people to the Castle Irwell Racecourse.

**Pendleton Ragged School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1904, 1908. The school was established in 1858, moving to new premises in 1907 (where it was known as Windsor Institute and Pendleton Ragged School).

**Pendleton St George's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Penge and Beckenham Co-operative Society Band** - Kent

Founded in 1904. Still active in 1910

**Penge Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1869 and the 1890s

**Pengover Teetotal Brass Band** - Cornwall

These carried on for a short time, roughly 1864 to 1867, during which time some local engagements were fulfilled. No conductors or contests can be found.

**Penicuik Silver Band** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1835 - Note: Original reed band (1835) converted to brass around 1847.

**Peninsular and Oriental Company's School Brass Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

Active in 1865. The school was located in Paget Street. Still active in 1867, conductor R.W. Cane

**Penistone Steel Works Band**

See: *Yorkshire Steel and Iron Works Band*

**Penistone Yorkshire Steel and Iron Works Band**

See: *Yorkshire Steel and Iron Works Band*

**Penketh Tannery Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to the late 1930s. Conductor J.H. Harper in 1902

**Penmaenmawr Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Founded in the 1850s, active to the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1894

**Penmaenmawr Silver Prize Band**

See: *Penmaenmawr Town Band*

**Penmaenmawr Town Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in 1894. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. At one time it practiced in Hewn Hall, later renamed as the Masonic Hall in 1960, which was originally presented by C.H Darbishire to the young men of the town as a social centre. Later known as Penmaenmawr Silver Prize Band, it was still active in the 1950s.

**Pennine Brass** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in March 1999, with the band's first performance being given on the 8th of May 1999. The band performed 32 times in that first year, culminating in being crowned Northern Open Champions (Section B) in November 1999 at their first major competition. In a short but steep rise through the sections they appeared five times at the Yorkshire Area Championship contest between 2002 and 2008, were First Section National title winners in 2007, won the top section Pontins title in 2006, the French Open title in 2001, Senior Trophy in 2003 and appeared four times at the Grand Shield between

2005 and 2008. They disbanded in October 2008. Conductors included Paul Fligg, Ian Porthouse and Huw Thomas.

**Pennington Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor Charles Hyde

**Penn's Factory Brass Band** - Deptford, Kent

See: *Messrs Penn and Sons' Brass Band*

**Penparcau Brass Band** - Cardiganshire

Active in 1867

**Penparke Brass Band** - Cardiganshire

See: *Penparcau Brass Band*

**Penponds Brass Band** - Cornwall

First appeared in 1857 but cash was quickly found to enable them to re-emerge under the new title "Penponds Sax Tuba Band". One does wonder what happened because nothing more is heard of them after 1858. Not surprising that there is no information on a conductor.

**Penponds Sax Tuba Band** - Cornwall

See: *Penponds Brass Band*

**Penrhiw and Maritime Colliery Band**

See: *Penrhiw Brass Band*

**Penrhiw Brass Band** - Pen-y-rhiw, Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s to 1910s

**Penrhiw Colliery Band**

See: *Penrhiw Brass Band*

**Penrhiwceiber Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s

**Penrhiwfer Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s, conductor Mr Norton in 1883

**Penrhyn Brass Band (1)** - Bethesda, Caernarvonshire

See: *Penrhyn Quarries Brass Band*

**Penrhyn Brass Band (2)** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1920s

**Penrhyn Quarries Brass Band** - Bethesda, Caernarvonshire

Active in the 1850s to the 1890s. Also known as Royal Penrhyn Brass Band. This band, with others, played on the Caernarvon Square when the Prince of Wales performed the ceremony of opening the waterworks and the fountain in 1868. The instruments were the property of Lord Penrhyn, but the drum belonged to the band members. When the quarrymen held their first Labour Festival (gwyl Lafur) in Caernarvon, all the bands (eight of them) came to town to support it. The relationship between the owners and the Quarrymen's Union at the time was rather strained and Lord Penrhyn refused the men permission to take the instruments to the big meeting. The quarrymen, however, were not discouraged, and they took the drum alone and proudly marched behind it through the streets of the town. Conductor Mr Martin in 1891

**Penrhyn Royal Brass Band**

See: *Penrhyn Quarries Brass Band*

**Penrhyndeudraeth Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1869, also in the 1900s to early 1950s

**Penrhyn-side Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active from the 1890s to the late 1940s

**Penrith A Division N.F.S. (National Fire Service) Silver Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Penrith Town Band*

**Penrith Brass Band**

See: *Penrith Subscription Band*

**Penrith British Legion Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Penrith Town Band*

**Penrith Harmonic Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1840 and 1845

**Penrith Sons of Temperance Oak Lodge Band** - Cumberland

Formed in April 1894. Amalgamated with Penrith Subscription Band in 1938 to form Penrith Temperance Band (later becoming the current Penrith Town Band)

**Penrith Subscription Band** - Cumberland

Founded in 1899. Amalgamated with Penrith Sons of Temperance Oak Lodge Band in 1938 to form Penrith Temperance Band (later becoming the current Penrith Town Band)

**Penrith Temperance Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Penrith Town Band*

**Penrith Town Band** - Cumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1938 - Former names: Penrith Temperance Band, Penrith A Division N.F.S. (National Fire Service) Silver Band (1943), Penrith British Legion Band (1946-1963) - Note: Formed by the amalgamation of the Penrith Subscription Band and the Penrith Sons of Temperance Oak Lodge Band

**Penryn Brass Band** - Cornwall

First known as the Penryn Independent Band so that they would not be mistaken for the Penryn Volunteer Band in existence at the same time. How much of these two bands were in fact one group of men under two titles is not known, but it is difficult to see how Penryn's population of those days would be able to support two bands. Penryn is located next door to Falmouth, and my first reference to the Penryn Independent band is in 1869 when they played at the Penryn Regatta. They seem to have disbanded soon after this. There is a further report in 1875 which refers to "the recently inaugurated Town Band." There follows a period when, as usual, newspaper reporters cannot decide on a title for this Band (perhaps they should have asked!!), and were coming up with Independent Band, Town Band, Brass Band, or even Penryn Band. There is evidence that the Town Band continued up to the mid 1930's. Newspapers seemed very reticent at naming a conductor (where the band that bad?) with the exception of a C Burton who was in charge from about 1911 to the band's demise. I have no record of Cornish contested attended. Conductor J. Greenslade in 1888

**Penryn Concert Brass**

See: *Penryn School Brass Band*

**Penryn Independent Band**

See: *Penryn Brass Band*

**Penryn School Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1980s, conductor H. Barnes. Also known as Penryn Concert Brass

**Penryn Volunteers Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1880s



**Pensax Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Founded around August 1864. Conductor Mr Perkins in 1865. Still active in 1869

**Pensax Saxhorn Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Pensax Brass Band*

**Pensford and Publow Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1925

**Pensford Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1864

**Pensford Village Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1932

**Penshaw Colliery Band**

Formed in the 1890s

**Penshurst Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1853 and 1859

**Pensilva Brass Band** - Cornwall

Pensilva, a village just up from Liskeard, had their band in action from 1865 to 1872.

Their first instructor was a Mr Satchwill, who was succeeded by Mr Viol. As seen, this band was not in operation very long but according to press reports of the time, they were not at all bad in both music chosen and their ability to play it. Later on, during the local 1919 Peace celebrations, a Pensilva Salvation Army Band was engaged.

**Pensnett Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1862

**Pensnett Temperance Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1865

**Penston and Tranent Brass Band** - East Lothian

See: *Tranent Brass Band*

**Penston Brass Band** - East Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 1842

**Pentland Brass** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Pentre Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1934

**Pentre Rifles Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Pentre Volunteers Band*

**Pentre Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s

**Pentrefoelas Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1868

**Pentrevoelas Brass Band** - Denbighshire

See: *Pentrefoelas Brass Band*

**Pentyrch Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s. Conductor Leonard Davis in 1875, O. Prichard in 1891

**Penwithick Silver Band** - Cornwall

Penwithick Band was formed soon after World War 1 from some of the many bandsmen living in the St Austell area who had played in brass bands before the war, some of whom had been with the old Volunteer Bands that had disbanded on the outbreak of hostilities. And as not all civilian bands had reformed in 1918/1919, there was now a

surplice of spare musicians who dearly wanted to make music again. Once started, they must have been a popular outfit as they were, almost from day one, a very busy band. A lot of these appearances were taken up with events like Sunday school processions and their tea treats; processions for the various Friendly Societies (Rechabites, Oddfellows, and the like); raising funds for the local hospitals; sports days (including their own!), and inevitably the Flora Dance - and there were lots of them. Again almost from day one they indulged in that favourite pastime of brass bands - the contest. This is where bands go to beat the living daylights out of other bands, by fair means (or foul). Of the 39 pieces of music that they performed at Cornish contests they were unplaced 19 times, 12 resulted in 3rd prizes, 2nd prizes totalled 4 and no doubt they took considerable pride in achieving 4 firsts. Considering that they were only a village band whose close neighbours were the St Dennis Band, who in those days happily poached all the best players from around the area, the Penwithick Band history of contest successes can sit comfortably with them. Most bands, like old soldiers, fade away rather than die suddenly. Penwithick was another of these. For the players in the last couple of years of its life, it must have been a sad period to go through despite those who stay to the bitter end in the hope that fortunes will improve. They finally closed shop in the mid 1950's. In their time they enriched this band world in Cornwall.

**Penybont Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1866

**Penybont Iron Works Brass Band** - Pentre, Denbighshire

Active in 1887, conductor James Cooper

**Penycae Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Founded in 1884. Active through to the early 1900s. Conductor Thomas Jones in 1887

**Penycae Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1858, 1860

**Pen-y-cae Brass Band** - Denbighshire

See: *Penycae Brass Band*

**Pen-y-Cefn Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1854

**Penyffordd Brass Band**

Active in 1887 when it played during the Jubilee celebrations with the Congregationalists, under the baton of Sergeant William Griffiths.

**Penyffridd Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in 1909

**Pen-y-Garn Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1854

**Penygraig Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Penygroes Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active from the 1880s to WW2. Later known as Emlyn Colliery Brass Band,

**Penyrorsedd Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Nantlle Vale Royal Silver Band*

**Penzance Amateur Band** - Cornwall

See: *Penzance Brass Band*

**Penzance Brass Band (1) - Cornwall**

Active in the 1850s , and in 1860, when they had recently joined the First Cornwall Volunteer Rifles as supernumeraries. Things may have been a bit tight in 1870 as it was reported: "We appeal to visitors at Penzance to supply themselves with a few coppers occasionally, in order that they may relieve the Penzance Band; for an entertainment of some sort of music is promised during the summer months, if only sufficient coppers can be obtained." The current Penzance Silver Band was formed in 1887 as Penzance Independent Band (to differentiate it from this volunteer-linked band)

**Penzance Brass Band (2) - Cornwall**

Founded in 1905, conductor James Maddern, folded in 1916

**Penzance Hungarian Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1880s

**Penzance Independent Band - Cornwall**

[previous name of current band] See: *Penzance Silver Band*

**Penzance Juvenile Band - Cornwall**

Active in 1853

**Penzance One and All Brass Band - Cornwall**

Formed in November 1897, Harry Angwin was bandmaster.

**Penzance Rifles Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1860s to the 1880s. Known as 1st Duke of Cornwall's Rifles Band

**Penzance Silver Band - Cornwall**

[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Penzance Independent Band

**People Band, The - London**

See: *Odham's Press Band*

**People's Bethel Mission Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1887. Mission located in Callowhill Street

**People's Hall Brass Band - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**People's Mission Band - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire**

Active in 1928.

**People's Mission Church Band - Bath, Somerset**

Active in 1927-66

**People's Mission Silver Band - South Shields, Durham**

[current band] - Founded in 1899

**People's Tabernacle Brass Band - Southwick, Durham**

See: *Southwick People's Tabernacle Brass Band*

**Peopleton Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor F. Stephens

**Peppard Brass Band - Rotherfield Peppard, Oxfordshire**

Founded around 1903, active to 1938

**Percy House School Band - Isleworth,**

Active in 1907

**Percy Main Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in 1862

**Percy Main N.E.R. Band - Northumberland**

Percy Main North Eastern Railway Band was formed in 1901, with a connection to the Percy Main Colliery, still active in 1914

**Percy Street Mission Band** - South Shields, Durham

Active in 1904

**Perfection Soap Works Band**

See: *Crosfields Perfection Soap Works Band*

**Perkins and Bellamy's Ironworks Band** - Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire

Active in the 1880s. The ironworks, in Broad Street, closed in 1900

**Perran Brass Band** - Cornwall

From 1869 to 1872 they were busy with demonstrations and processions. There is a long silence until they reappear in 1901 for a kiddies tea treat. During the summer season of 1870 they played two evening a week in Perranporth, each concert lasting about two hours. They must have been 1) crazy to take on such a commitment, or 2) good enough to handle this amount of work, or 3) they really needed the extra few pennies they could get from collections. Whatever, I wonder how many village bands of today would dare accept such a commitment?

**Perran Foundry Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1878

**Perranarworthal Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s, folded prior to a successor/revival band forming in 1883

**Perranarworthal Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall

Founded in 1883, leader (cornet) C. Davey. Conductor T. Andrew in 1900 at Perranarworthal Horticultural Show. Still active in 1905. Possibly the same band as Perranwell Brass Band, as they were adjoining villages with the same conductor.

**Perranporth Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the early 1880s to 1900. Conductor E. Veale in 1886, William Veale in 1891. Folded around 1907

**Perranporth Town Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1930s to the mid-1950s. Conductor in 1931 was Harry Robbins, in 1954, J. Eustace.

**Perranporth Volunteers Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the early 1900s

**Perranwell Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the late 1890s and early 1900s, conductor T. Andrew. Secretary W.J. Evans in 1903. Still active in 1928. Possibly the same band as Perranarworthal Brass Band (2), as they were adjoining villages with the same conductor.

**Perranwell Rechabite Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1899

**Perranzabuloe Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1868, 1869

**Perry Street Works Band** - Tatworth, Somerset

Active from the early 1900s through to 1914. Conductor Mr Davey in 1914. The works were a water-powered forge mill, driven by a large waterwheel

**Perscoran Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Formed in 1983, disbanded in 2003. Founded and conducted by Gordon Hartley-Bennett throughout, it was a youth brass band, its members all came from or had attended schools in Worcestershire during that time. A junior group, called Pre-Perscoran Brass, conducted by Martin Yates, ran from 1987.

- Perseverance Temperance Band** - Stoke Newington, Middlesex  
 Founded around 1896, conductor H.L. Young in 1900
- Pershore Amateur Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active from the 1850s to the 1880s
- Pershore Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 See: *Pershore Amateur Brass Band*
- Pershore Co-operative Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1864
- Pershore Foresters' Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in the 1860s, conductor G. Styles in 1866-69, G. Squires (sic) in 1875
- Pershore Rifles Band** - Worcestershire  
 Active in 1860
- Perth Caledonian Brass Band** - Perthshire  
 Founded in 1862
- Perth Corporation Band** - Perthshire  
 See: *City of Perth Corporation Band*
- Perth Masonic Band** - Perthshire  
 See: *Perth Silver Band*
- Perth Silver Band** - Perthshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1972
- Perth Silver Band** - Perthshire  
 Formed in 1861 (or 1856) as Perth Masonic Band, later known as Perth Trades Silver Band. Conductor Mr Finney in 1909. Following the death of the musical director, John L. Hamilton in 1958, the band stopped playing due to a lack of support. The band instruments were presented to to the local Education Department. A successor band was formed in 1972.
- Perth Trades Silver Band** - Perthshire  
 See: *Perth Silver Band*
- Perthshire Brass** - Perthshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1978 - Note: Founded in 1978 by Musical Director, George Annan.
- Perthfelin Brass Band** - Dinas-Mawddwy, Merioneth  
 Active in 1865 to 1868
- Peter Hawke Garages Lindley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Lindley Band*
- Peterborough Amateur Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active in 1840 and the 1860s
- Peterborough Borough Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active from the 1890s to the 1910s
- Peterborough City Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active from the late 1940s to the late 1960s
- Peterborough Cobden Street Band** - Northamptonshire  
 See: *Cobden Street Primitive Methodists Band*
- Peterborough Excelsior Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active from the 1890s to the 1910s. Conductor Mr Gooding in 1890, T. Alderman in 1892
- Peterborough Great Northern Railway Locomotive Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
 Active in 1857 and the early 1860s. Conductor J.W. Commissiong in 1860.

**Peterborough Locomotive Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Peterborough Great Northern Railway Locomotive Brass Band*

**Peterborough Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1860s

**Peterborough Saxhorn Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1857

**Peterborough St Mark's Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s. Conductor R. Stokes in 1897

**Peterborough St Mary's Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor Robert Stokes

**Peterborough Temperance Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Peterborough Town Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Peterborough Borough Silver Band*

**Peterhead Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Peterhead Public Band*

**Peterhead Instrumental Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Peterhead Public Band*

**Peterhead Public Band** - Aberdeenshire

Formed in 1850 as Peterhead Instrumental Band, conductor William Currie. Active to the 1910s

**Peterlee Town Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *GT Group Peterlee Band*

**Petersfield Borough Band** - Hampshire

See: *Victoria Brass Band (Petersfield)*

**Petersfield Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Victoria Brass Band (Petersfield)*

**Petersfield Victoria Band** - Hampshire

See: *Victoria Brass Band (Petersfield)*

**Petrockstowe Band** - Devon

Active in 1887 when it celebrated Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee. In this account as remembered by Samuel Bonifant in 1935, aged 84 years. "At the time of Queen Victoria's golden jubilee Samuel Bonifant was living at Woodhouse part of Little Marland, he was a member of the committee and master of ceremonies on the day. At this time Petrockstow had a population of 440. All the parishioners were given luncheon and tea in the school room consisting of roast and boiled beef, pickles, bread, mineral water for Teetotallers and children. 1,000 bottles of mineral water were available for the event. Each man was allowed 1 quart of beer in the afternoon, while women and children had mineral water. All invalids in the evening were sent a good plate of beef, a loaf of bread, cake, ½ lb tea and a quart of beer. The next day any left over food was distributed to the poor. Sam recalls the day it started early at 5.00am Mr William Trace climbed to the top of the church tower and played God Save the Queen on Sam's Violin with in 1935 Sam still had. At 8.00am the bell ringers started ringing the peals, which went on throughout the day. At 10.00am a majority of the parishioners formed outside the school with the Reverend Field and Sam and with the Petrockstow Band leading marched to the rectory and back to the church for a short service preached by the Reverend Field. At midday lunch was served in the school room with the band playing outside. After lunch at 2.00pm a

procession formed with band to the field opposite the Barn on Town Farm, Mr John Brookes farmed the farm, on the field sports and dancing took place. There was a break at 4.30pm for Tea in the school room. The tables were presided over by Mrs Field, Mrs Brookes (mother of Mr John Brookes) also Mrs Bussell, Mrs Leonard, Mrs Pike, Mrs Squance, Mrs Bonifant Mrs Sanders and others. Mrs Brookes presented the children with mugs. After Tea they returned to the field for more sports and dancing until 9.00pm when the fireworks and bonfire were to take place. Lord Clinton Lord Lieutenant of the County donated the bonfire and fireworks. The order had been given that no bonfire was to be lit until the Lord Lieut gave the signal by sending up three rockets in succession, red, white and blue in the most conspicuous parts near the mansion and his Lordship chose Petrockstow. It was a grand sight, which was seen from a long way off, after the rockets had gone many bonfires were lit. The day ended with the band playing God Save Queen, everyone had enjoyed themselves and the day had been well organised."

**Pettaugh Brass Band** - Suffolk

Formed in the 1930s as part of the "Better Britain Brigade" boys movement. Girls were allowed to join the band in 1951, though only two did (Beryl Dixey and Maureen Ball)

**Pettres Works Military Band** - Somerset

See: *Yeovil Corporation Band*

**Petworth Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1861, active through to the 1930s. Conductor Alfred Willmer in 1865. Re-organised in 1899, conductor Mr Tiplady. Conductor Thomas Stevens in 1907. A successor (wind/concert) band was formed in 1947

**Petworth Town Band** - Sussex

See: *Petworth Brass Band*

**Pevensey and West St Leonards Junior Band** - Sussex

Active in the late 1960s

**Pevensey Silver Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1960s. Merged with Hastings Borough Band in 1968 to form Sussex Brass

**Pewsey Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from 1853 to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Stiles in 1883

**PHG Lindley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Lindley Band*

**Philadelphia Colliery Band** - Washington, Durham

Active in the 1930s to 1950s

**Philadelphia German Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1938

**Philanthropic Brass Band** - Redhill, Surrey

See: *Philanthropic Society's Farm School Band*

**Philanthropic Society's Farm School Band** - Redhill, Surrey

Active from the 1850s to the late 1900s, conductor M.G. Herbert in 1900. The school was founded in 1849, with most of its pupils being committed by the magistrates. The school was classed as a reformatory. Farm work was the principal occupation, although carpentry, tailoring and other trades were also taught. Two brass bands and one reed band were formed by the last quarter of the nineteenth century. Dr Wallis, in 1857, holding a doctorate in music, organised a select number of farm school boys into a 'brass military band of music'. His terms of instruction being moderate, and the 'advantages worth the outlay', the committee approved the sum of 50 guineas for the purchase of

musical instruments. During 1859, Mr Holman, a drill and bandmaster, was appointed on a salary of £50 per annum, 'with lodging and firing'. The band became a catalyst to teach boys to respond to orders with alacrity, and the performances of the band gave a positive image of the establishment. The formation of the band attracted donations of more instruments. Some boys less suited to field labour excelled in the band and went on to join the army as 'band boys'. In 1889 the bandmaster was ordered to 'use the band at every reasonable occasion'. In 1890 the bandmaster was N. Mallinder, assistant bandmaster W.G. Hearne.

**Philips and Co. Brass Band** - Tean, Staffordshire

See: *Messrs. Philips and Co. Brass Band*

**Phoenix Brass** - Froxfield, Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Phoenix Brass (Crewkerne)** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1995

**Phoenix Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Phoenix Foundry Brass Band*

**Phoenix Brass Band** - Small Heath, Warwickshire

Active in 1869 and the early 1870s. A professional band associated with Capewell's Grand Compound Velocipede Railway at the Sydenham Hotel. In 1869 it was located at Barns's Royal St Helena Pleasure Gardens in Balsall Heath

**Phoenix Foundry Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Phoenix Gas Company Brass Band** - Vauxhall, Surrey

Active in 1865

**Phoenix Social Service Band**

See: *Steel, Peech and Tozer Phoenix Works Band*

**Phoenix West Midlands Brass** - Rowley, Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 2000

**Phoenix Works Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Phoenix Foundry Brass Band*

**Phoenix Works Brass Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Steel, Peech and Tozer Phoenix Works Band*

**Pica Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s - took part in the Distington Hospital Sunday parade in June 1895. A report of its formation is thus: "A public meeting was held at the Quarry, Pica, on Thursday evening, for the purpose of discussing the suggestion to re-organise the brass band at that place. There was a large number present. Mr John Roper, who was unanimously elected chairman, urged them to work in harmony. Mr James Frew moved that the brass band for Pica be re-organised. This was seconded by Mr William Watson and agreed to unanimously. Mr A. Harlin, secretary to the old band, was appointed secretary pro tem. The following gave their names as intending members: - Messrs G. Frew, James Frew, J. Patterson, Wm. Watson, G. Tweddle, J. Gatherer, Tom Bell, W. Hutchinson, G. Stewart, I. Lamb, J. Robinson, J. Kirkpatrick, F. Metherell, W. Metherell, D. Rafferty, Jos. Gatherer, W. Brydon, D. Ellison, C. M. McLean, and J Roper. Mr Harlin moved that the instruments, lamps, music stand, and music books, belonging to the late band be called in. This was agreed to, and the chairman and Mr Harlin were appointed to receive them by Tuesday. On the question of funds being introduced, it was suggested



that they follow the example of the Lowca Brass Band and ask the Colliery Company to keep off a weekly subscription from those agreeable. The chairman approved the suggestion, but, of course, he said, a public meeting would have to be called to sanction the proposal."

**Pickering Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1852 to 1867

**Pickering Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Formed in the 1890s, folded some time before 1936, when a successor band was formed

**Pickering Town Band (1)**

See: *Pickering Brass Band (2)*

**Pickering Town Band (2) - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Formed on 17 May 1936. Folded in the 1950s

**Pickford's Brass Band - Park Village, London**

Active in 1859, conductor W. Keighley. This was the brass band belonging to Pickford & Co.

**Pickup Bank Band**

See: *Hoddlesden and Pickup Bank Band*

**Pickup Bank Subscription Prize Band**

See: *Hoddlesden and Pickup Bank Band*

**Piddington and Hackleton Brass Band**

See: *Hackleton Brass Band*

**Piddington Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in 1883, leader Alwyne Howes

**Piddletrenthide Brass Band - Dorset**

Active in the 1880s, bandmaster C.W. Groves in 1883

**Pilkington Recreation Club Brass Band - St Helens, Lancashire**

Active in the 1950s

**Pilley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1867

**Pilling Brass Band - Lancashire**

Formed in 1875 and folded some time after 1935 (when the junior section of the band split off to form the current Pilling Jubilee Silver Band). Conductor William Godfrey in 1878, W.R. Bimson in 1881

**Pilling Jubilee Silver Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1935 - Note: Formed by the Junior section of the then Pilling Brass Band splitting off.

**Pillowell Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Pillowell Silver Band*

**Pillowell Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Pillowell Brass Band, Pillowell Prize Band

**Pilsley Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1840s, and also in the 1870s to 1890s

**Pinchbeck West Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1890s to 1914. Bandmaster G. Abrams in 1898, W. Rouse secretary in 1911

**Pinner Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active from 1882 to 1939. It played at a garden party given by Mrs. A. B. Marshall, a well known cook and cookery writer on 15th June 1895 at her house "The Towers" in Pinner.

For further details see "Pinner Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Pinxton Ambulance Band**

See: *Pinxton Colliery Band*

**Pinxton and Selston Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1859

**Pinxton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Pinxton Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor R. France in 1902

**Pioneer Rechabite Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1894

**Pitroddie Brass Band** - Perthshire

Active in 1864 to 1869. Conductor Mr Stevenson in 1866

**Pitsea Band** - Essex

Active in 1904, conductor Mr Lawson

**Pitsford Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1866

**Pitsmoor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1842, and from the early 1880s, the band folding around 1937.

**Pittenweem Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1861

**Pittington Brass** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1992

**Pittington Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1860s - had some form of patronage from Lord Londonderry (Viscount Seaham)

**Pitton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1899

**Pitt's Brass Band** - London (City)

See: *Messrs Pitt and Co. Brass Band*

**Plaid Row Gospel Mission Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1891

**Plas Brass Band** - Plas Coch, Denbighshire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor Thomas Moore

**Plas Madoc Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1850s to 1866

**Plashet Industrial School Band** - Essex

See: *Upton Park Poor Law School Band*

**Plashetts Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1865, conductor F. Armstrong. The village of Plashetts and its associated coal mine now lie under Kielder Water.

**Plasmadoc Brass Band** - Denbighshire

See: *Plas Madoc Brass Band*

**Plas-Marl Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Plasterers' Band** - Sussex

See: *Brighton Operative Plasterers Brass Band*

**Plastow Green Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1902 to 1915. Conductor W. Cooke in 1907

**Plastow Green Temperance Band**

See: *Plastow Green Brass Band*

**Platt Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Competed in a contest in Leigh in 1884, active through to the 1910s. A report from the Wigan Observer And District Advertiser, Wednesday, September 3, 1890, states: On Wednesday afternoon last the remains of William Forster were interred at Abram Church. The deceased, who was 41 years of age, was checkweighman at the Low Hall Collieries. He had been a hard worker for the Miners' Union, and was much esteemed by that body of men. He had also been a member of the Platt Bridge Brass Band for over 20 years. The weather was fine and the streets were crowded with spectators. The procession was as follows:- Twenty pit brow girls; 150 miners; band committee; Platt Bridge Brass Band (assisted by a few friends from the Wigan Volunteer Band), playing "Dead March in Saul;" deceased, with instrument on coffin; mourners and relatives. At the commencement of the service Mr. C. D. Mortimer with his usual ability played Guilmant's "Funeral March," and at the close the "Dead March in Saul." After the burial service in the churchyard, the band played very sweetly at the grave side, "It is well with my soul." Another report, from 1895, notes the band at a festival: "The first Lower Ince and Spring View Rose Queen Festival was held under the auspices of St Mary's Church in June 1895. It was organised by Maggie Briggs and Edna Harrison. About 500 children dressed in historical costumes, and accompanied by the Platt Bridge Brass Band, left St Mary's School and paraded through the streets of Lower Ince and Spring View, which were lined with hundreds of spectators. The Rose Queen was Miss F Briggs, in a dress of white silk with a train of flowered shot silk trimmed with white silk ribbon and swansdown. The parade ended in a field in the grounds of Westwood House, where there was dancing around the maypole and the Rose Queen was crowned by the vicars wife, Mrs Taylor. Each of the children was given a bun and an orange."

**Platt Brothers Moston Colliery Band**

See: *Platt's Moston Colliery Band*

**Platting Public Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Platt's Moston Colliery Band** - Moston, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Plean Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in the 1910s

**Plean Colliery Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1928, conducted by Charles Wright

**Plean Colliery Band**

See: *East Plean Colliery Band*

**Pleasley and Pleasley Works Band** - Derbyshire

Active from 1888. Conductor William Slaney in 1902. Still active in 1911, conductor F. Pearson. Contemporary with the Pleasley Colliery Band (which is still active)

**Pleasley Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1860

**Pleasley Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1950

**Pleasley Colliery Welfare Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Pleasley Welfare Band*

**Pleasley Vale Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s

**Pleasley Welfare Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1883 - Former names: Pleasley Colliery Welfare Band - Note: Another source quotes the band's formation as 1897, it competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s and the Spondon Contest of 1926

**Pleck Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1859

**Plessey Works Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Plymouth Abercanaid Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s to 1910s

**Plymouth Band of the Royal British Legion Crownhill** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *Soundhouse Brass*

**Plymouth Brass** - Devon  
Formed in the 1980s. Merged with Tavistock Town Band in the late 1980s to form Tavistock Brass

**Plymouth City Mission Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *Soundhouse Brass*

**Plymouth City Mission Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1929

**Plymouth Colliery Brass Band** - Troedyrhiw, Glamorgan  
Founded in 1892, active to the 1910s. Conductor Ford D. Jones in 1907

**Plymouth Corporation Tramways Band** - Devon  
See: *Plymouth Transport Brass Band*

**Plymouth Silver Band** - Devon  
[previous name of current band] See: *Soundhouse Brass*

**Plymouth Transport Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in the 1920s

**Plymouth Workmen's Band** - Troedyrhiw, Glamorgan  
See: *Plymouth Colliery Brass Band*

**PMG Heart of England Band**  
See: *Heart of England Band*

**Pocklington Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1880s

**Pocklington Boys Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the early 1900s

**Pocklington Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1850, folding some time before 1861

**Pocklington Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Founded in 1862, still active in 1864

**Pocklington Coronation Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active from the early 1900s to WW2. Conductor H. Lamb in 1902, H.U. Buttle in 1920.  
President in 1939 was Major P.M. Stewart of Burnby Hall.

**POEU Brass Band**

See: *Stockport Telephone Band*

**Pogmoor and Cawthorne Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Cawthorne Brass Band*

**Pogmoor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Merged with the Cawthorne Brass Band in 1984 to form Pogmoor and Cawthorne Band.

**Point of Ayr (EIMCO) Band** - Ffynnongroyw, Flintshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Point of Ayr Silver Band*

**Point of Ayr (Talacre Beach Caravan Park) Band** - Ffynnongroyw, Flintshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Point of Ayr Silver Band*

**Point of Ayr Colliery Band** - Ffynnongroyw, Flintshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Point of Ayr Silver Band*

**Point of Ayr Colliery Band** - Talacre, Flintshire

The band was formed in 1967 after the closure of the Llay Main Colliery. The instruments were transported to Point of Ayr, where local people formed a band. During the 1970s, the band rose up through the sections winning many first prizes at prestigious contests. In 1981 Championship status was attained (the equivalent of football's Premier League), and at the first attempt, the band qualified for the National Finals at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Point of Ayr retained it's Championship status up to the year 2000. The band folded in 2010. The band was variously also known as: Point of Ayr Colliery (EIMCO) Band, Point of Ayr Colliery (Powergen) Band, and Talacre Beach Caravan Park Band.

**Point of Ayr Silver Band** - Ffynnongroyw, Flintshire

[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: Point of Ayr Colliery Band, Point of Ayr (EIMCO) Band - Note: Possibly also known at one time as Point of Ayr (Talacre Beach Caravan Park) Band

**Polden Hill and Ashcott Brass Band**

See: *Ashcott Brass Band*

**Polden Hill Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1868. Disbanded in 1904, then re-organised in 1905 by H. Farrow.

**Polesworth Brass Band**

See: *Polesworth Old Brass Band*

**Polesworth Excelsior Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the 1880s to 1919

**Polesworth Old Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1920s

**Pollokshaws Brass Band** - Renfrewshire

Welcomed the Prince of Wales to Pollokshaws in August 1859. Competed in a contest at the Gilmorehill Gardens, Glasgow in August 1863, and led the procession at the annual Weavers' Society meeting at Pollokshaws in August 1873. Active through the 1900s to the 1920s. Revived in 1904, conductor J.L. Galbraith

**Pollokshaws Burgh Band**

See: *Pollokshaws Brass Band*

**Polmont Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1867, 1868

**Polton Mills Band** - Loanhead, Midlothian

Active from the 1890s. Conductor John Brown in 1897. Won the Scottish Championship title in 1904 and disbanded at the start of WW1.

**Polypipe (Rossington) Band**

See: *Rossington Colliery Band*

**Polysteel Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Flowers Band*

**Pomfret Victoria Brass Band** - Pontefract, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Pontefract Victoria Brass Band*

**Ponden Band** - Haworth, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1854, founded by John Heaton of Ponden, who owned the cotton mill and the corn mill. The band had the job of playing at a celebration in Haworth at the conclusion of the Crimean war. The band moved to Dry Clough (just north of Pickles Hill) later in the 1850s for the convenience of some of the members. This "Dry Clough Band" then split up by the end of the 1850s, some members going to the Springhead Band, others to the Lumbfoot Band.

**Ponden Mill Band**

See: *Ponden Band*

**Ponders End Brass Band** - Enfield, Middlesex

Active in the 1860s and 1870s, conductor Henry Orme.

**Ponders End Congregational Mission Band**

See: *Ponders End Mission Band*

**Ponders End Mission Band** - Enfield, Middlesex

Active in the early 1900s, conductor Mr Burch in 1904

**Ponders End Silver Band** - Enfield, Middlesex

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Ponsanooth Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor J.H. Bishop in 1888. In 1889 the Honorary Secretaries were Henry G. Halse and William J. Trebilcock, the Treasurer was Charles W. Boot.

**Pontardawe Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s to 1914 at least (when it tried to buy the old Carmarthen Town Band instruments). Reformed in 1919, bandmaster Russell Davies

**Pontardulais Town Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s

**Pont-Clydach Brass Band** - Brecknockshire

Active in 1855

**Pontefract Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. J. Dobson conductor in 1884

**Pontefract Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1840s to 1860s. Conductor Mr Deacon in 1864

**Pontefract Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s to 1914

**Pontlottyn Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Pontlottyn McLaren Silver Band**

See: *McLaren's Workmen's Silver Band*

**Pontlottyn Rechabite Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the early 1890s

**Pontlottyn Workmen's Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1905

**Pontop Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1862. Conductor Henry Palmer in 1864, Thomas Walker in 1865. Possibly linked to Pontop Hall, near Dipton, or one of the Pontop collieries. Still active in 1867

**Ponrhydyfen and District Temperance Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1939

**Ponrhydyfen Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Pont-rhyd-y-groes Brass Band - Cardiganshire**

Active in the 1870s

**Pontshonnorton Silver Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Pontyates Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1900s to 1915

**Pontyberem Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1890s to 1910s, and the 1940s to 1950s

**Pontyberem St John's Brass Band - Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Pontyberem United Band**

See: *Pontyberem Brass Band*

**Pontyclun and District Band - Glamorgan**

Active from the 1930s to the early 1950s

**Pontyclun Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the early 1900s

**Pontyclun Silver Band - Glamorgan**

In 1914 Mr Godfrey Clark presented a Silver Cup for competition in the Silver Band contest which was won by the Pontyclun Silver Band. When the people left the sports field on this occasion they were greeted with a placard "War declared on Germany". The band regularly practised in a wooden hut at the end of School Street called the Ping Pong Hall. The village supported a Brass Band also.

**Pontycymer Excelsior Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1890s and 1900s

**Pontycymer Town Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1900s to 1950s

**Pontymister Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1860s and the 1900s

**Pontymoel Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1853

**Pontypool Brass - Monmouthshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1967

**Pontypool Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1850s

**Pontypool Catholic Temperance Band**

See: *Pontypool Temperance Band*

**Pontypool Temperance Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. Conductor Mr Ryan in 1899

**Pontypool Town and District Band**

See: *Pontypool Town Band*

**Pontypool Town Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1920s

**Pontypridd Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s

**Pontypridd St John Ambulance Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Pontypridd Temperance Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1899

**Pontypridd Town Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s to 1930s. Possibly converting to brass and reed in 1908

**Pontypridd Transport Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s

**Pool Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1857

**Poole Borough Band** - Dorset

[current band] - Founded in 1946 - Note: Originally formed in the mid 1800s as a brass and reed band (recorded as appearing on Brownsea island in Poole harbour in 1849). It reformed as all-brass in 1946 under conductor Clifford Clark. Within six weeks of this transformation they appeared in the grading section in Southampton at the Wessex Brass Band contest and were immediately promoted to the Champion Section. Their first appearance in the championship section which was only six weeks after their spectacular win in the grading section earned them a third prize on the then difficult test piece ?Kenilworth? by Arthur Bliss. On their return to Poole at 10.30 pm the band formed up to do a victory march from the railway station down the High Street to their bandroom in ?Prosperous Street? situated over the Bulls Head Public House.

**Poole Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1850. Conductor Mr Kinsman in 1860, Mr Joiner in 1869. Still active in 1869

**Poole Grammar School Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Poole Town Band** - Dorset

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conducted by E.M. Shane in 1883, E.L. Green in 1928. A successor band was formed in 1946

**Poole Volunteers Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1900s, conductor H.S. Shane in 1901

**Poolmouth Brass Band** - Brynteg, Denbighshire

Active in 1858 to 1864

**Poolsbrook Miners Welfare Band**

See: *Poolsbrook Wesleyan Brass Band*

**Poolsbrook Wesleyan Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in 1908, secretary and treasurer, George W. Thompson. Active in the 1920s and 1930s. In the 1930s it threw off the allegiance to the Wesleyan church and became a



village band. In the late 1930s it became the Staveley Company's Ireland Colliery Ambulance Band. See also: Ireland Colliery Band

**Poor Orphan Boys Band** - Strangeways, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. The Manchester and Salford Boys and Girls Refuges and Homes, established in 1870, had their Central Refuge and Workshops in Francis Street. This also accomodated 120 boys from whence the band was formed.

**Pope and Pearson Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Altofts and Normanton Brass Band*

**Poplar and Berger Mission Band**

See: *Poplar and Bromley Tabernacle Band*

**Poplar and Bromley Crusaders Band**

See: *Berger Hall Brass Band*

**Poplar and Bromley Tabernacle Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1910s to the 1960s. Based at the Poplar and Bromley Tabernacle Baptist Church, which after 1958 became the Poplar and Berger Baptist Tabernacle Church.

**Poplar Training Schools Band**

See: *Forest Gate Industrial School Brass Band*

**Porkellis Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Porritt and Witham's Brass Band**

See: *Messrs Porritt and Witham's Brass Band*

**Port Carlisle Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1865

**Port Clarence Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Port Ellen Brass Band** - Argyllshire

Active in the 1900s

**Port Glasgow Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *St John's Port Glasgow Band*

**Port Glasgow Catholic Young Men's Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Hutton

**Port Glasgow Old Boys Union Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1913

**Port of Hull Society's East Coast Mission and Sailor's Orphan Home and School Band**

See: *Sailors' Orphans Brass Band*

**Port Penrhyn Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active from the 1870s to 1914

**Port Sunlight Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1891 through 1914, conductor W. Seddon in 1895. Possibly did not survive WW1. A successor band was formed in 1973

**Port Sunlight Lyceum Brass** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: Port Sunlight Old Boys Association, Tarmac Lyceum Brass Band - Note: The Band owes its origins to the Drum and Bugle Band of the First Port Sunlight Company of the Boy's Brigade. A brass band was formed in 1973 and ultimately its development resulted in the administration of the band being separated from the Brigade to be administered under its own right but with a close liaison with the Company

- Port Sunlight Old Boys Association** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Port Sunlight Lyceum Brass*
- Port Sunlight Royal British Legion Band** - Cheshire  
Active from the 1970s to the early 1990s. (Possibly the same as the current Port Sunlight Lyceum Brass)
- Port Talbot and District Workmen's Prize Band**  
See: *Port Talbot Workmen's Prize Band*
- Port Talbot and Taibach Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1909
- Port Talbot Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1910s.
- Port Talbot Tin and Iron Works Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1864
- Port Talbot Town Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1930s
- Port Talbot Workmen's Prize Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Played at the ceremonial opening of Port Talbot Memorial Park on the 27th June 1925 at 3p.m.
- Portchester Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1863 to 1865
- Portdinorwic Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1865 to 1872
- Porth and Cymmer Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1900s
- Porth Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor John Brown in 1899
- Porth Town Band**  
See: *Porth Brass Band*
- Porthaethwy Menai Bridge Band** - Anglesey  
[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: Menai Bridge Brass Band
- Porthcawl Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1950s
- Porthleven Town Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1875
- Porthmadog Brass Band**  
See: *Porthmadog Volunteer Band*
- Porthmadog Town Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in the 1900s to 1930s
- Porthmadog Volunteer Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active from the 1860s to the 1900s
- Porthywaen Silver Band** - Oswestry, Shropshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1934
- Portico Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1894
- Portishead Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active from 1865 to the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1968.

- Portishead Town Band** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1968 - Former names: Central Electricity Generating Board Band, Electricity Club Band, Clarence House Brass (mid 1980s)
- Portland Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the early 1860s to 1865
- Portland Prison Officers Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1880s
- Portland Social Centre Band**  
See: *Portland Town Band*
- Portland Town and Social Centre Band**  
See: *Portland Town Band*
- Portland Town Band** - Dorset  
Active from the 1890s to the 1960s. Secretary J. Shaw in 1899. Also known as Portland Social Centre Band.
- Portland Volunteer Artillery Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1880s
- Portland Wesleyan Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1864
- Portloe and District Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1930s
- Portmadoc Brass Band**  
See: *Porthmadog Volunteer Band*
- Portobello Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active from the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor J.P. Broadhurst in 1882
- Portobello Ex-Members B.B. Band** - Midlothian  
Active in 1928, conducted by Thomas Williamson.
- Portsea Island Union School Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Founded in 1866. Conductor Mr Haywood in 1867. Active in 1876 and 1897 (bandmaster Squire Graham). This was a band of the Union School of the Portsea Island Workhouse.
- Portslade Excelsior Band** - Sussex  
Active around 1900, conductor A. Barnard
- Portslade Industrial School Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1890s. Half-time schooling from the age of 12 was combined with a full band practice for an hour each morning.
- Portslade Town Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- Portsmouth Auxiliary Fire Service Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Portsmouth City Band*
- Portsmouth Blue Jackets Band**  
See: *Royal Navy Portsmouth Barracks Band*
- Portsmouth Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1880s. Conductor H. Simmons in 1860.
- Portsmouth Citadel Band** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1880

**Portsmouth City Band** - Hampshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1939 - Former names: Portsmouth Auxiliary Fire Service Band, National Fire Service Band (Area 14), Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Band (1951 to 1965)

**Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Band** - Hampshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Portsmouth City Band*

**Portsmouth Excelsior Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1901

**Portsmouth Foresters' Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1865, conductor H. Alley (also conducted the associated juvenile band)

**Portsmouth Juvenile Foresters' Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1865, conductor H. Alley. Still active in 1867

**Portsmouth Police Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Portsmouth Saxhorn Band**  
 See: *Portsmouth Brass Band*

**Portsmouth Town Band** - Hampshire  
 Formed by Councillor Merritt in 1896, gave its first performance in March 1897 to raise money for the "Tiny Tim" Cot at Guy's, conductor Mr Madden. The band was still active in 1904 when it presented £50 to various local charities - the bandmaster at this time was R. Close.

**Portsmouth Wesleyan Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in 1897

**Portsmouth Youth Concert Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1970s

**Portsoy Brass Band** - Banffshire  
 Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Taylor in 1887

**Possil Park Brass Band**  
 See: *Possilpark Brass Band*

**Possilpark Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active from the early 1900s to the late 1930s. Conducted by W. Curtis in 1928

**Possilpark Public Band**  
 See: *Possilpark Brass Band*

**Post Office Engineering Union Brass Band**  
 See: *Stockport Telephone Band*

**Post Office Grand Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex  
 See: *Post Office Western District Brass Band*

**Post Office Western District Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex  
 Founded in 1867, a large band, conducted by M. Vimeaux

**Potters Bar Town Band** - Middlesex  
 Formed in the 1850s and then disbanded in 1895. A successor band was formed in 1948

**Potters Bar Town Band** - Middlesex  
 [current band] - Founded in 1948

**Potter's Cross Brass Band** - Kinver, Staffordshire  
 Active in 1863

**Potters Wood Kingswood Hill Bristol Silver Band**  
 See: *Kingswood and District Band*

## **Potterspurty Brass Band**

See: *Potterspurty Excelsior Band*

## **Potterspurty Excelsior Band** - Northamptonshire

The village band was in existence from the late 1860s. Conductor George Meakins in 1877. In 1904 it entered a contest organised by the Gentlemen of Dunstable. The band travelled to the contest on a horse-drawn cart and won the first prize - a silver plated cup. The contest was never held again, so the band held the cup which is now kept with the church plate for safe keeping. Between the wars, in the summer, the band would give regular Sunday evening concerts on the green by the cross-road on Watling Street, opposite the Anchor pub. Band practice was held in the Cock club room (now the restaurant). A popular story of the time related how, arriving late for practice one night, one of the bandsmen was so impressed with the sound of his colleagues playing that he went into the practice room and said, 'That sounds great - come outside and listen'. Whereupon they all put down their instruments and went outside! The band ceased to play during the Second World War but started again in 1946. By 1953, with Reg Atkins as conductor, the band was very active, playing at numerous village fetes in the area and leading church parades for Remembrance Sunday services, when they would march four abreast via Sanders Lane, Blackwell End, Watling Street, High Street and Church Lane (with no parked cars in the way!). Another old village tale recalled that when Pury band marched by the pigs were sat on the wall to listen. (This tale was well known in all the surrounding villages!) The Coronation parade through the village in 1953 was led by Syd Holloway pushing a model of 'The Pig on the Wall'. There was of course much rivalry between Pury and Yardley bands and Pury used to say that one Christmas when Yardley Band went round playing carols they played outside one 'house' where the collectors could not find the door. They walked round it several times before they realised it was a hay rick! [Note: similar stories are told of Stinchcombe Band and Woodchurch Bands]. As the number of bandsmen from the village dwindled, more and more had to be transported to practice from the surrounding area. By 1961 it became beyond the financial means of the band to continue to transport the players to practice and the band had to close down. Some of the bandsmen went on to play with Wolverton Band and the remains of the band's funds were paid over to the Parish Council for the general benefit of the village.

## **Pottery Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Middlesbrough Pottery Amateur Brass Band*

## **Pottery Instrumental Brass Band** - Bo'ness, West Lothian

See: *Bo'ness Pottery Brass Band*

## **Potton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Formed in 1890, through the instigation of the local vicar, the bandmaster was J. Brown and the instruments were estimated to cost £40. It played its first concert on Easter Monday 1891. Conductor Mr Storr in 1900. Still active in 1920, when the conductor was G. Bartle.

## **Poulton Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Poulton-le-Fylde Brass Band*

## **Poulton-le-Fylde Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded on the 25th September 1874, but little is known about its early activities, except what can be gleaned from old photographs. The early photographs show the band was small in number, and only some members are in uniform, so it would appear that funds

were probably meagre. However, it did perform at local functions as can be seen from photographs showing the band marching in processions. It is to their credit that these early members kept the band together, and it appears from documentation discovered, that the band was still operational prior to World War Two, under their conductor Mr N Hodgson. Around 1903 it amalgamated with the Thornton Subscription Band. During World War Two, the band functioned as "The Home Guard Band" under the musical direction of Mr Ernest Seed, but it was disbanded shortly after the War. A successor band was formed in the early 1950s.

**Poulton-le-Fylde Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1874 - Former names: Poulton Silver Band

**Powder Cotton Works Band** - Kent

Disbanded in the 1930s

**Powell's Tillery Colliery Band**

See: *Tillery Collieries Band*

**Powerfuel Hatfield Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*

**Poynings Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s

**Poynton Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *VBS Poynton Brass Band*

**Poynton Youth Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Pratt's Brass Band** - Brighouse, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1865

**Pratt's Royal Brass Band** - Colchester, Essex

Active in 1854

**Prees Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active from the 1880s. Conductor Mr Huxley in 1887. Folded in the 1930's. Prees is between Wem and Whitchurch. The instruments were sold to pay for the funeral of Tom Moore and were sold to Mr Denny and shipped to his band in Devon. Coincidentally his son ended up running the Shropshire Schools Brass band in the 1980's, 50 years after his dad took the instruments from Shropshire to Devon.

**Preesall Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Preesall Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Premier Brass** - Stamford, Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stamford Brass*

**Prescot Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in 1859

**Prescot Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

See: *Prescot Parish Church Band*

**Prescot Cables Band** - Lancashire

Formed 1890. "Cousins" to the famous Callenders Cable Works Band. When the latter disbanded in 1961 the Prescot Cables Band received their redundant uniforms. Still active in the late 1980s

**Prescot Parish Church Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to 1930s and also the 1950s to 1970s

**Prescot Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1860s

**Pressed Steel Company Limited Works Band** - Cowley, Oxfordshire

Formed in January 1941 as a military band for the Pressed Steel Company Home Guard. Reformed as a brass band in December 1944. Achieved the Championship Section in 1947. Based at the Pressed Steel Works in Cowley, the present-day location of the Mini factory, this band ran into difficulties during the period of the three-day week in early 1974. The remaining players joined the City of Oxford Band, who were themselves at that time somewhat depleted following the successive splittings-off of Oxford Concert Brass in 1972 and Kennington (Oxford) in 1973. The band's library came into the possession of the Wantage Band.

**Pressed Steel Cowley Band**

See: *Pressed Steel Company Limited Works Band*

**Pressed Steel Fisher Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Birmingham Brass Band*

**Pressed Steel Fisher Llanelli Band**

See: *Llanelli and District Silver Band*

**Presteigne Amateur Brass Band** - Radnorshire

Active from 1844. Conductor Mr Blackmore in 1863

**Presteigne Town Band** - Radnorshire

Active in 1907 and 1937

**Preston Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1877

**Preston Britannia Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1861, conductor Thomas Marginson, also in 1867, 1877

**Preston Brook and Aston Band**

See: *Preston Brook and District Prize Band*

**Preston Brook and District Prize Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1900s through to the 1920s. Conductor A.C. Withenshaw in 1904. Also known as Preston Brook & Aston Band. Shortly after WW1 the band took part in the Runcorn Festival which was held to raise funds for the hospital. The band was also active in 1969, competing in the NW Area contest (4th section).

**Preston Brook Silver Band** - Cheshire

[current band]

**Preston City Boys Excelsior Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Preston Clarion Band** - Lancashire

Active around 1911

**Preston Corporation Tramways Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s

**Preston Electric Works Band**

See: *Electric Tramway and Tramway Carriage Brass Band*

**Preston Excelsior Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1872, and from the early 1900s up until the 1970s

**Preston Foresters' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s. Conductor T.T. Jackson in 1881

**Preston Gentlemen's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1862, conductor John Richardson

**Preston Harmonic Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1880

**Preston Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1882, conductor R. Kemp

**Preston National School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1846

**Preston Polytechnic Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1980s

**Preston Silver Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1950s

**Preston St David's Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1930s to 1950s

**Preston St Joseph's Band** - Lancashire

See: *St Joseph's Brass Band (Preston)*

**Preston St Wilfrid's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1865, 1872

**Preston Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1874 and disbanded in 1907. A contemporary report states: "It having been decided for various reasons to bring the 32 year career of the Preston Temperance Brass Band to a close, the members on Wednesday met at the White Horse Restaurant for supper afterwards transacting some important business. Mr R Sanders presided, and on the motion of Mr H Parkinson, seconded by Mr Wm Ogden, a resolution was passed agreeing that the band should no longer exist as at present constituted. A handsome marble clock was then presented to the conductor, Mr H Parkinson, the silver plate on the front bearing the inscription "Presented to Mr H Parkinson by the members of the Preston Temperance Brass Band on the occasion of his retirement, as a token of their respect for his faithful services as bandmaster during the past 30 years." In making the presentation the Chairman recalled the interesting fact that the band was formed in August 1874 and had been entirely self-supporting. They had occupied one practice room for 30 years and a proof of their efficiency was that they had played for one Preston church on 25 successive Whit Monday mornings, and for another one 23 Whit Monday afternoons. Best wishes were expressed for Mr Parkinson's future welfare, and in his reply the conductor was much affected by the tributes paid to him."

**Preston Town Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s until the mid 1960s, latterly rehearsing in an old gymnasium on Saul St. in Preston and conducted by Tom Mitchell who then went on to found Preston Youth Band around the same time.

**Preston United Independent Harmonic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in August 1836, when it played at the regatta at the Bridge Inn

**Preston Victoria Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1877

**Preston Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s



- Prestongrange Brass Band** - Prestonpans, East Lothian  
Active in the 1890s
- Prestongrange Colliery Band** - Prestonpans, East Lothian  
Active in the 1920s
- Prestongrange Welfare Band**  
See: *Prestongrange Colliery Band*
- Prestonlinks Colliery Band** - Prestonpans, East Lothian  
See: *Monktonhall Colliery Silver Band*
- Prestonpans and District Silver Band**  
See: *Monktonhall Colliery Silver Band*
- Prestonpans Brass Band** - East Lothian  
Formed in the 1880s. Benjamin Sim was its conductor for the first two years of its existence
- Prestwich Borough Band** - Lancashire  
Formed around 1945. Folded in 1992. 4 remaining members joined Radcliffe Band, bringing with them music and instruments, which was then renamed the Radcliffe and Prestwich Band for a few years.
- Prestwich Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in 1867
- Prestwich Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
See: *Prestwich Public Brass Band*
- Prestwich Brass Band (3)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Prestwich Cleansing Department Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- Prestwich Public Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1884, conductor B. Livsey. Bought instruments from the disbanded Rochdale Borough Band. Mr Peatfield conductor in 1908.
- Prestwich School Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s, conductor W.H. Kelly in 1883
- Price's Candle Company Brass Band** - Battersea, Surrey  
Active in 1891, conductor T. J. McMullen. The company was founded in 1830, mainly based in London with two factories there. The main works were at Battersea.
- Price's Candle Company Brass Band** - Bromborough Pool, Cheshire  
Active in 1856 to 1897. Conductor Abel Jones in 1856, C. Hull in 1860. The company was founded in 1830, mainly based in London. A factory was established at Bromborough Pool to be near the palm oil imports at Liverpool.
- Pricky Mair Band**  
See: *Shettleston Brass Band*
- Pride of Axe Brass Band**  
See: *Axminster Town Band*
- Pride of Everton Band** - Everton, Lancashire  
Active in 1884
- Pride of Lewisham Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1896. Associated with the local "Sons of Phoenix" lodge (the Pride of Lewisham)

**Pride of the East Brass Band** - Stepney, Middlesex  
 Founded in 1882, conductor T. Grimaldi

**Pride of the Valley Brass Band** - Tongwynlais, Glamorgan  
 Active in 1877

**Pride Valley Brass** - Durham  
 [previous name of current band] See: *RMT Silksworth Band*

**Pride Valley Brass**  
 See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

**Priest Lindley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Lindley Band*

**Primitive Methodist Band of Hope Brass Band** - South Bank, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Active in 1894, conductor Mr Almond

**Primitive Methodist Mission Gospel Band** - Llwynypia, Glamorgan  
 See: *Llwynypia Sherwood Mission Band*

**Primo Windows Band**  
 See: *Grimsby Brass Band*

**Primrose Brass Band** - Clitheroe, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s, conductor Mr Rippon in 1889

**Primrose Brass Band** - Ketton, Rutland  
 See: *Ketton Brass Band*

**Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Gawthorpe, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1867

**Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Horbury, Yorkshire (West Riding), ## 6 ##, Active in 1868, ## 7 ##,  
 Horbury Prince of Wales Brass Band

**Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Masbrough, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *Sheffield Prince of Wales Brass Band*

**Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
 Active in 1867

**Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Wednesfield Prince of Wales Temperance Band*

**Princes End Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s, and also in the 1920s

**Princes End Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
 See: *Prince's End Brass Band*

**Princes Street Mission Brass Band** - Paddock, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1893

**Prince-Smith and Stells Silver Band** - Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1950s and early 1960s. Prince-Smith and Stells were worsted machine  
 manufacturers, while Prince-Smith produced over 1.1 million bayonets during WW2.

**Princess of Wales's Own Hussars Band** - Ripon, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1867

**Princess Royal Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
 Active in 1903

**Princess Royal Colliery Band** - Gloucestershire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Bream Silver Band*

**Princess Street Mission Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1894 and 1896

**Princetown Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1862

**Priors Marston Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1892

**Priory Foundry Band**

See: *Steel and Garland Priory Foundry Band*

**Priory Works Brass Band** - Dartford, Kent

Active in 1867. The band consisted of workers from J.G. Hepburn & Co., which was a tannery works and leather manufacturer. Still active in 1869

**Prittlewell Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Prominent Fluid Controls (Newhall) Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**Prospect Primitive Methodist Mission Band** - Sunderland, Durham

Founded in 1908, conductor Edward P. Bullock

**Prospect Silver Band** - Swindon, Wiltshire

Formed in 1908 by a Mr Bullock at the age of 17 years. Organisation passed to his brother to run on his death in 1948. By the 1950's the band was renamed Swindon Town Silver Band. Still active in 1962. The band master from 1948 to 1962 was Bill People.

**Prospect Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - West Bowling, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1884

**Protheroe's Cwmcoch Band**

See: *Protheroe's Silver Band*

**Protheroe's Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1900s. Also known as Protheroe's Cwmcoch Band

**Providence Congregational Church Brass Band** - Uxbridge, Middlesex

Formed as a drum and fife band in the 1880's, and in 1898 it became a full brass band. It seems to have ceased on the outbreak of war in 1914. The conductor in the later years was Dave Roberts. Also known as Uxbridge Artisans Brass Band and Uxbridge Providence Brass Band

**Prudential Sandye Band**

See: *Sandye Silver Band*

**Prudhoe Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1864

**Prudhoe Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s and did not survive beyond 1914

**Prudhoe Temperance Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1894

**Pryce-Jones Ltd. Brass Band** - Newtown, Montgomeryshire

Active in the 1880 and 1890s, disbanding in 1905, instruments being sold to Newtown Band. Conductor John Morris in 1884. Pryce-Jones, a draper, established his "Royal Welsh Warehouse" selling Welsh flannel and other goods by mail order - becoming Britain's first large scale mail order business.

**Pucklechurch Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Henry Ford (d. 1861, aged 22) was a drummer in the band

**Puddletown Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor Mr Gover in 1884, Mr Lucas in 1891, A. Drake in 1921, Mr Honeywood in 1928

**Pudsey Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s to 1930s

**Pudsey Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s to 1900s (possible overlap with Pudsey Borough Band). Conductor J. Rawcliffe in 1860

**Pudsey Fartown Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1876

**Pudsey Union Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856

**Pudsey United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1861, conductor R. Burgess

**Pudsey West End Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Pulborough Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1851

**Pullars Brass Band** - Perth, Perthshire

Formed in 1881 as a works band for the local family-run dyeing and drycleaning organisation.

**Pulloxhill Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1904

**Purbrook Industrial School Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1894, and the early 1900s

**Purton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1853, conductor Mr Greenaway, and in the 1870s

**Purton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1850s through to 1867

**Purton Congregational Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Purton United Temperance Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1909, conductor R. Davis

**Putney Brass Band**

Active in 1885 when it took part in the United Phoenix and Temperance Societies' first annual Temperance Friendly Societies' demonstration in Lambeth on 31st May, together with Wandsworth Brass Band.

**Pwllheli Brass Band (1)** - Caernarfonshire

Active from 1853 to the 1890s

**Pwllheli Brass Band (2)** - Caernarfonshire

Formed on 10th November 1905. Also active in 1949

**Quanton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1853 to 1869

**Quaker House Colliery Band** - Wigan, Lancashire

See: *Standish Band*

**Quaker House Colliery Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Standish Band*

**Quaker Sutherland Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**Quarndon Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in 1887

**Quarrier's City Lads Brass Band** - Quarriers Village, Renfrewshire  
 Active in the 1920s, conductor D. McKellar, based at the Orphan Homes of Scotland, a self-contained village set up in the 1870s.

**Quarrington Hill Temperance Band** - Durham  
 Formed in the 1890s, probably folded in the 1920s. Conductor W.W. Young in 1899

**Quarry Bank Silver Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Quarry Bank Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1900s, conductor A. Cormack in 1904

**Quarter Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active in 1892 when it presented a box to Mrs Blair. Conductor A. Bell in 1900

**Quarter Colliery Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor George Cornforth in 1908

**Quebec and Hamsteels Band** - Durham  
 Active in 1905

**Queen Street Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
 Active in 1905, conductor J. Ashworth

**Queen Street Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire  
 Active in 1887

**Queen Street Mission Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
 See: *Bolton Temperance Band*

**Queen Street Temperance Band** - Paddock Wood, Kent  
 Active in the 1900s

**Queen Victoria Seamen's Rest Brass Band**  
 [no information]

**Queenborough Cement Works Band** - Kent  
 Active in 1902

**Queen's Hall Mission Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Founded in 1904, conductor Tom Norman. Active to the 1930s

**Queen's Island Brass Band**  
 See: *Harland and Wolff Brass Band*

**Queen's Own Hussars Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Queen's Park Brass Band** - Harpurhey, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s

**Queen's Park Congregational Church Brass Band**  
 See: *Queen's Park Brass Band*

**Queen's Road Methodist Brass Band** - Hurst, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1930s

**Queensbury Band**  
 See: *Queensbury Music Centre Band*

- Queensbury Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in the 1840s as the Queenshead Brass Band (the name of the village until it was renamed Queensbury in 1863). Active to around 1870
- Queensbury Music Centre Band**  
Active from the late 1960s to the late 1980s
- Queensferry and Forth Bridge Brass Band**  
Active in 1885
- Queensferry Brass Band**  
Active in 1896 following an attempt to resuscitate it. Still active in 1905
- Queensferry Community Brass** - West Lothian  
[current band] - Founded in the mid 1970s - Former names: Queensferry High School Band (to early 1990s), Queensferry Youth Band (to 2004)
- Queensferry High School Band** - West Lothian  
[previous name of current band] See: *Queensferry Community Brass*
- Queensferry Youth Band** - West Lothian  
[previous name of current band] See: *Queensferry Community Brass*
- Queenshead Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Queensbury Brass Band*
- Quinton Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1889
- Quorn and Sileby Band** - Leicestershire  
Active before 1880.
- Quorn Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *Quorndon Brass Band*
- Quorndon Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1869
- R Division Police Brass Band** - Woolwich, Kent  
See: *Woolwich Police Brass Band*
- R. Johnson and Nephew Works Band**  
See: *Richard Johnson and Nephew Ltd Band*
- R.A. Lister's Silver Band**  
See: *Stinchcombe Silver Band*
- R.A.F. Association Band**  
See: *Royal Air Force Association Band*
- R.A.F. Kinloss Voluntary Brass Band** - Morayshire  
Active in the 1970s to 1990s
- R.A.F. Madley Silver Band**  
Active in 1945
- R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Barry, Glamorgan  
Founded around 1892, disbanded in 1897
- R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland  
See: *Carlisle Buffalo's Brass Band*
- R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1904
- R.A.O.B. Brass Band** - Swindon, Wiltshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**R.A.S.C. 150th Northumberland Transport Band**

Active in 1965

**R.J.B Brass** - Harworth, Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Harworth Brass*

**R.N.A.S. Yeovilton Band**

See: *Royal Navy Air Station Yeovilton Band*

**R.O.F.S.A. (Chorley) Band**

See: *Royal Ordnance Factory Social Association Band*

**Raans County Secondary School Brass Band** - Amersham, Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1960s

**Radcliffe and Pilkington Leisure Hour Band**

See: *Radcliffe and Pilkington Public Brass Band*

**Radcliffe and Pilkington Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to 1899. Conductor Robert Jackson in 1885. A successor band (Radcliffe Brass Band) was formed in 1913

**Radcliffe and Prestwich Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Radcliffe Brass Band*

**Radcliffe Borough Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Radcliffe Brass Band*

**Radcliffe Brass Band** - Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1857

**Radcliffe Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in 1862, conductor T. Kirkman

**Radcliffe Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1913 - Former names: Radcliffe Brass Band, Radcliffe Prize Band, Radcliffe Borough Band (1935), McKiernan Group Heating Band (197?), East Lancs Paper Group Band (to 1988), Radcliffe Band, Radcliffe & Prestwich Band (1992-2000) - Note: Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. In 1937 the band walked away with the top trophy in their section in the National Championships held in London. They won the 50 guinea shield to keep for 12 months, ten guineas in cash, various instruments and sheet music. The test piece at Alexandra Palace was "Ballads of the 20th century." In the same competition held the previous year at the Crystal Palace, the band had been disqualified as they had arrived too late, but they still went on to play and were the last band to play at the Crystal Palace before it burned down later that night. The conductor in 1937 was Mr Riley. Still active in 1979, by which time they were called the East Lancs Paper Group Band, when they were being conducted by Malcolm Brownbill and were in the top section. In 1988 the band was in the 3rd section with Darole Barry as conductor. when it reverted to its old name of the Radcliffe Band

**Radcliffe Close Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1859, when it had a "fraternising meeting" with members of the Besses o' th' Barn Band at Radcliffe. Still active in 1864

**Radcliffe Close No. 2 Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1860, conductor William Jones

**Radcliffe Colliery Band (1)** - Northumberland

Active in 1877, conductor James Bailer, secretary Robert Wood. A successor band was formed in 1893

**Radcliffe Colliery Band (2) - Northumberland**

Formed in 1893, later known as Radcliffe Colliery Band, and then Radcliffe Netherton Band. Merged with Amble Town Band in the 1930s to form Amble and Radcliffe Colliery Band. A member at one time was Edward Thirtle, who started his playing career in the North Seaton Band and went on later to be bandmaster of the Broomhill and Chevington Collieries Band. A selection of his family and band photographs have been lodged with the Woodhorn Colliery museum in Ashington, Northumberland. Bandmaster of Radcliffe Colliery Band at one time was William Oswald Pearson, who worked at Hauxley Colliery.

**Radcliffe Excelsior Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Radcliffe Foresters' Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Kirkman

**Radcliffe Good Templars Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s. Bandmaster William Wood in 1877

**Radcliffe Netherton Band - Northumberland**

See: *Radcliffe Colliery Band (2)*

**Radcliffe Old Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s to 1920s

**Radcliffe Public Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s to 1910s

**Radcliffe Temperance Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s

**Radcliffe-on-Trent Temperance Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1880s and 1900s. Bandmaster T. Barratt in 1880

**Radford Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1852

**Radford Excelsior Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1889

**Radford Free Church Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

See: *Radford United Methodist Brass Band*

**Radford Primitive Methodist Band - Nottinghamshire**

See: *Radford United Methodist Brass Band*

**Radford Temperance Band - Nottinghamshire**

See: *Radford United Methodist Brass Band*

**Radford United Methodist Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Radlett Brass Band - Hertfordshire**

Founded in 1908, conductor J.H. Fletcher. Still active in 1938

**Radley Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in 1894 when it played at a May Day celebration at Wick Hall, Radley. Still active in 1900 when it played at the Appleford Flower Show in August.

**Radnor Street Schools Mission Brass Band - London**

Active between 1883 and 1904

**Radstock Amateur Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in 1910



### **Radstock Brass Band**

See: *Radstock Town Band*

### **Radstock Coal and Wagon Works Brass Band - Somerset**

Active in 1883, bandmaster Mr. Clark.

### **Radstock Silver Prize Band - Somerset**

Active from the mid-1920s, still active in 1947, folded before 1980.

### **Radstock Town Band - Somerset**

Active in the 1880s to WW1, conductor Mr Clark in 1886, George Gould in 1887-1911

### **Radyr and Morganstown (Melingriffith) Band - Glamorgan**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

### **Radyr and Morganstown Band - Glamorgan**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

### **RAF St Athan Voluntary Band - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1938

### **Ragley Band**

See: *Ragley Sunday School Band*

### **Ragley Sunday School Band**

The old Ragley Band, formed in 1848, was broken up in 1850. Resuscitated in 1851 by Mr Briggs of Darwen, but again fell by the wayside. Then Messrs. Chadwick Brothers, sewing cotton manufacturers, came to the rescue and provided all expenses and funded new instruments in 1882. Started contesting in 1887 and in that first year attended 5 contests winning 4 prizes, value £50

### **Railway Associated City Brass Band - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1906 and 1910 when it played at the Lenton Flower Show.

### **Railway Foundry Band - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Bradford Railway Foundry Band*

### **Railway Foundry Band - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*

### **Railway Iron Works and Victoria Foundry Saxhorn Band - Litchurch, Derbyshire**

See: *Cotton Lane Brass Band*

### **Railway Servants' Brass Band - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland**

Active in 1896

### **Railway Servants' Brass Band - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1889

### **Railway Street Adult School Brass Band - Colne, Lancashire**

Active in 1866

### **Rainford Silver Band - Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1976

### **Rainham Band - Essex**

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Layzell

### **Rainham Working Men's Club Band - Essex**

Active from the mid-1930s to the late 1940s

### **Rainhill Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in 1858

### **Rainow Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active the 1860s and also in the early 1900s

### **Rainton Brass Band**

See: *West Rainton Brass Band*

### **Rame Cross Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1920s and 1930s, folded around 1938 or 1939. The closing proceeds of the Band were dedicated to the upkeep of the War Memorial of Edgcumb Methodist Church. The Band had its own "Band room" for practice, now a house.

### **Rampton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1850s

### **Rampton Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Ramsbottom and District Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1960s to the 1980s

### **Ramsbottom Baptist Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

### **Ramsbottom Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1930s. Conductor Robert Rutherford in 1885

### **Ramsbottom Old Brass Band**

See: *Ramsbottom Brass Band*

### **Ramsbottom Rifles Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1860s to the 1930s

### **Ramsbury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1852 to 1869. A successor band was formed in 1900

### **Ramsbury Methodist Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ramsbury Silver Band*

### **Ramsbury Primitive Methodist Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ramsbury Silver Band*

### **Ramsbury Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Ramsbury Primitive Methodist Band, Ramsbury Methodist Band (to 1970s)

### **Ramsden Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from the early 1860s to WW1. Conductor Mr Wilkins in 1869. In the minutes of the Ramsden Vestry and Parochial Church Council for 1913 they record agreement that there should be a Garden Fete to raise money for the Church. "The Ramsden Band was asked to provide the music". At the following meeting it was agreed that the "Ramsden Band should be paid 30/- for their services with their playing commencing at 4.30 pm and that they should provide their own refreshments"! In earlier years there were allegedly two bands in Ramsden - from a pamphlet 'RAMSDEN - The Story of a Wychwood Village' [The Witney Press 1961] D.A.Allport, referring to Club Feasts which took place at Whitsun every year, says "There were stalls and a band playing - there were two bands in Ramsden then - and dancing in the street. Ramsden Feast was held in October and was similar"

### **Ramsey Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1870s to 1960s. Conductor J. Ball in 1881, Mr Martin in 1884, L. Parker in 1897, T. Greenwood in 1939

### **Ramsey Brass Band** - Isle of Man

Active in 1869

**Ramsey Town Band** - Huntingdonshire

See: *Ramsey Brass Band*

**Ramsey Town Band** - Isle of Man

[current band] - Founded in 1981

**Ramsey Town Band** - Isle of Man

Founded in 1884, conductor Joseph Cannell. Active to the 1900s. A successor band was formed in 1981

**Ramsgate Amateur Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1850s and 1860s. Conductor Mr Hurst in 1861

**Ramsgate Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1960s, conductor J. L. Brockman

**Ramsgate Endeavour Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s, conductor A. Franklin in 1904

**Ramsgate Schools Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1960s

**Ramsnest Rangers and North Chapel Brass Band** - Ramsnest Common, Surrey

Active in 1907, 1909

**Ramsnest Rangers Band**

See: *Ramsnest Rangers and North Chapel Brass Band*

**Rank Taylor Hobson Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in the 1980s, conducted by Henry Shipley

**Ransome and Marles Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

See: *Ransome Band*

**Ransome Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

The Band was formed on the 1st November 1937 as the works band of Ransome and Marles, a well-known bearings manufacturer in Newark. In 1970 the band changed its name to the RHP Works Band. In 1980 the company was no longer able to continue its financial support, but fortunately the band was able to secure support firstly from Browns Musical of Lincoln and then Airquick (Newark) Ltd. This lasted through the 80's until the early 90's. However 1991 was traumatic in that Airquick (Newark) Ltd was unable to continue with its valuable support. The decline in funds mirrored the Band's rapid decline and it was a struggle to maintain a band at all. At one point there were only 9 stalwart members remaining. In 1992 the heartbreaking decision was made to dissolve the Band and let the traditional Ransome name lapse. News of the Band's imminent demise found its way into the local press which raised a package of support which enabled the Band to continue its championship and concert activity for the next few years. In 1994 major sponsorship was received from NSK-RHP (UK) Ltd, who ironically were successors to the original Ransome and Marles. The band ceased contesting in 2008 and folded around 2013.

**Ransome Hoffmann Pollard Works Band**

See: *Ransome Band*

**Raploch Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s, conductor James Hutchens in 1885

**Ratby Co-operative Brass Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1906

**Ratcliffe College Brass Band** - Ratcliffe on the Wreake, Leicestershire

Active in 1861

- Rathmell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1859, 1868
- Ratho Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Midlothian  
Active from the 1890s to the 1920s
- Ratho Brass Band**  
See: *Ratho Blue Ribbon Brass Band*
- Raughton Head Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1866, secretary James Wilson
- Raunds Secondary Modern School Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1960s
- Raunds Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1886
- Raunds Temperance Society Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1868
- Raunds Town Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1860s. Conductor William Noble, leader Owen Smith in 1860.
- Ravengill Brass Band** - Settle, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1869
- Ravenhead Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s to 1859
- Ravenhead Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
Founded around 1882 and active into the the 1900s. Conductor Stephen Goulding in 1888
- Ravenhead St John's Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s
- Ravensthorpe Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1890s to 1960s. In April 1904 a car driven by a London gentleman name Wendell Holmes, ran into the Ravensthorpe Band in Dewsbury. Ten of the musicians were knocked down, four being rather seriously injured, whilst several instruments were smashed. This was their first march out with a newly-plated instruments.
- Ravenstonedale Temperance Band** - Westmorland  
Founded in 1857 or 1858
- Ravensworth Brass Band**  
See: *Ravensworth Colliery Band*
- Ravensworth Colliery Band** - Kibblesworth, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s. Disbanded in the 1960s
- Rawdon Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1870s to the 1950s
- Rawlings' Brass Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex  
See: *Messrs Rawlings' Brass Band*
- Rawmarsh and Parkgate Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1960 and early 1970s
- Rawmarsh Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the early 1860s to the late 1960s. Conductor W. Roebuck in 1878. Wound up in the courts as of 23rd December 1970
- Rawson's Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
See: *Messrs Rawson and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Rawtenstall Borough Band**

See: *Rawtenstall Brass Band*

**Rawtenstall Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the late 1860s to the 1900s. Bandmaster Henry Tattersall in the early 1880s

**Rawtenstall Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1888, conductor James Uttley. Active into the 1900s

**Rawyards Silver Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1960s. Conducted by R Connell in 1964

**Rayleigh and District Silver Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Rayleigh Brass*

**Rayleigh Brass** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Rayleigh Mission Band, Rayleigh Town Band, Rayleigh Silver Band, Rayleigh and District Silver Band (1966)

**Rayleigh Mission Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Rayleigh Brass*

**Rayleigh Silver Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Rayleigh Brass*

**Rayleigh Town Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Rayleigh Brass*

**Read and Simonstone Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. J.R. West secretary and R. Belshaw treasurer in 1905.

**Read and Simonstone Band (2)** - Lancashire

Formed in 1920. Active through the 1920s. Conductor J. Watts in 1920

**Read Brass Band** - Padiham, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Reading Amateur Brass Band** - Berkshire

Founded in late 1855 or early 1856. Active in 1857

**Reading and Wokingham District School Brass Band** - Wargrave, Berkshire

Active in 1894 through to the early 1900s. Conductor L.P. Connor in 1900. The Reading & Wokingham District School for pauper children was established at Wargrave in the early 1850s. The school closed in the early 1900s.

**Reading Borough Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Reading Excelsior Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Reading Foundry Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1860 (Great Western Railway Foundry, Caversham Road). Still active in 1875

**Reading Mechanics' Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1870s to 1900s. Conductor C. Rose in 1900

**Reading N.U.R. Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1921

**Reading Philanthropic Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1858, conductor S. Nicholls

**Reading Primitive Methodist Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J. Kimber in 1907

**Reading Spring Gardens Brass Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1899 - Former names: Spring Gardens Wesleyan Band, Spring Gardens (Reading) Band

**Reading Teetotal Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the mid 1840s.

**Reading Temperance Prize Band** - Berkshire

Founded in 1852. Won the Crystal Palace Challenge Cup and the Southern Counties Shield in 1901. Conductor was T.B. Wicks when it played at the Forbury Gardens during the period of the Royal Agricultural Show on 6th-10th July 1926. At that time they were winners of 43 first prizes and four gold medals and winners of the Southern Counties Band Association Championship for 6 years in succession and Winners again in 1924 and 1925. Still active in 1938. James Henry Lowe played for them during the 1920s and 1930s. Competed in Reed/Military Band sections in some contests.

**Reading Wesleyan Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Reading Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1856

**Reaps Moor Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1867

**Reapmoor Club Band** - Fawfieldhead, Staffordshire

The club was established at the Butcher's Arms in 1835. The band was active in 1862, playing at the club's annual feast in June

**Rechabites Brass Band**

See: *Hoyland Town Silver Prize Band*

**Red Bank Ragged School Brass Band** - Strangeways, Lancashire

Active in 1869, with 35 members receiving instruction every Wednesday evening

**Red Bank Temperance Brass Band** - Strangeways, Lancashire

Active in 1869

**Red Lumb Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded around 1897, still active in 1905

**Red Rose Lancaster Band**

Formed in the mid-2000s by the merger Red Rose Youth Band in Lancaster with the failing City of Lancaster (Storey's) Band. Only lasted a few years, with some members subsequently breaking away to form the current Lancaster City Brass.

**Red Rose Lancaster Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1996 - Former names: Red Rose Youth Band

**Red Rose Youth Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Red Rose Lancaster Brass Band*

**Red Street Brass Band** - Talke, Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s

**Red, White and Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Red, White and Blue Ribbon Brass Band*

**Redbridge (Southampton) Concert Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1970s

**Redbridge Brass** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1966 - Former names: Redbridge Brass Ensemble, Redbridge Brass Band, London Electricity Redbridge Brass Band (1983) - Note: Originally conducted

by John Ridgeon and Howard Wallace - the band was previously the top band (of four) in the Redbridge Music School.

**Redbridge Brass Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Redbridge Brass*

**Redbridge Brass Ensemble** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Redbridge Brass*

**Redcar Ironworks Band**

See: *Redcar Steelworks Band*

**Redcar Rolling Mills Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s and folded in 1905. Its instruments were sold to Cockerton Band for £250.

**Redcar Steelworks Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1900s and still active in the 1920s

**Reddish Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1991 - Former names: Reddish Prize Band (to 1996), Reddish Prize Gorton Silver Band, Reddish Prize Band (to 2011), Reddish Safestore Band (to 2012) - Note: Merged with remainder of the disbanded Gorton Silver Band

**Reddish Brass Band**

See: *Reddish Prize Band*

**Reddish Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1896

**Reddish Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Reddish Band*

**Reddish Prize Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1897 and folded in the 1960s. A successor band was formed in 1991

**Reddish Prize Gorton Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Reddish Band*

**Reddish Safestore Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Reddish Band*

**Redditch and Bromsgrove New Town Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1970s

**Redditch Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s. Conductor Mr Wedgbury in 1864

**Redditch Holyoake Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1920s

**Redditch Subscription Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1909

**Redditch Town Band** - Worcestershire

Active from the 1880s. Conductor Philip Spencer in 1885-1897. Still active in 1918

**Redditch Victoria Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Redgate Boys Silver Band** - St Helens, Lancashire

Formed in 1949 by Mr Leo Murphy for boys between the ages of 12-21(ish). Active throughout the south Lancashire / Cheshire area, the band often entered International Music Festivals in Holland and Germany in the 1960's and 1970's and appeared on 'Opportunity Knocks' in 1967(?). Still playing in 1994, two years after Leo Murphy died. Their last official appearance was at the funeral of Leo Murphy December 1992, when

past members joined up with existing members to play together one last time in his memory.

**Redheugh Colliery Band** - Gateshead, Durham

Formed in the 1880s, but folded in the late 1920s. Conductor John Martin in 1909

**Redhill Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s. Amalgamated with Redhill Town Band in 1919

**Redhill Farm School Brass Band** - Surrey

See: *Philanthropic Society's Farm School Band*

**Redhill Men's Own Band** - Surrey

Founded prior to 1905. Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Walter Bashford in 1907-1916. Still active in 1916

**Redhill Reformatory School Brass Band** - Surrey

See: *Philanthropic Society's Farm School Band*

**Redhill Town Band** - Surrey

The Redhill Town Band was formed in 1879 and was formerly called the Holmesdale Band, being then a brass and reed band. Mr F. Day was the secretary and he was actively associated with it when it achieved a high reputation by no means confined to East Surrey. It was largely due to his energy and enthusiasm that the Southern Counties Band Association was formed, and in 1895 he became its Secretary and held that office through many prosperous years. In 1919 the two local bands amalgamated namely Redhill Town Band and the Redhill Brass Band and it was then called Redhill Town Military Band. In 1925 the band attended the Royal Tunbridge Wells Band Contest under Mr. C. J. Wyatt, securing two 1st prizes and four medals. In June in 1927 it changed into a pure brass band under Mr. H. Summers, with Mr. W. H. Day as Secretary. Later. Mr. G. H. Byford took over the conductorship and upon his death he was succeeded by Mr. R. H. C. Young in the 1930s and 1940s. Still active in the 1950s

**Redland Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Founded in 1861, rehearsing at St John's Schoolroom, Durdham Down on Monday evenings, 8 to 10. In 1864 they took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol. Still active in 1868

**Redland Park Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Active from 1891, conductor S. Rootham. Still active in 1902

**Redlynch Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1861

**Redmire Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1858 to 1869

**Rednock School Brass Band** - Dursley, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1980s

**Redruth Brass Band** - Cornwall

[previous name of current band] See: *Redruth Town Band*

**Redruth Town Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Redruth Town Mission Band (to 1890) - Note: The band seems to be between 114 and 166 years old and decided to officially celebrate its 150th birthday in 2000 as the letterheads have had "formed in 1850" on them for as many years as any of the current members can remember, but a book written by former member Monty Pearce and former President Denzil Richards states that in February 1890 the band of the Redruth Town Mission situated in King Street Plain-an-



guary was disbanded. At a subsequent meeting at Mr Wills' Temperance house in Clinton Road the members reformed as the "Town Band". Although the first actual reference in the local press to a Redruth Band is made in 1838, when reference is made to "The Redruth Amateur Band" which played at various venues and functions. And in 1839 the band played at the first exhibition for the season of the Royal Cornwall Horticultural Society. The band survived both world wars despite losing both players and the band room!

**Redruth Town Mission Band** - Cornwall

[previous name of current band] See: *Redruth Town Band*

**Redruth Town Mission Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1888

**Reepham Temperance Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Norfolk Brass*

**Reepham Town Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Norfolk Brass*

**Reepham Town Band** - Norfolk

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s

**Reeth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1968

**Reeth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded around 1865. Active to the 1930s. Became linked to the local volunteer force in 1873 for a period. Conductor Thomas Gill in 1884. A successor band was formed in 1968

**Reeth Friendly United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1868. Possibly the same as Reeth Teetotal Brass Band

**Reeth Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Reeth Brass Band*

**Reeth Teetotal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1862

**Reeth Volunteer Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Reeth Brass Band*

**Reg Vardy (Ever Ready) Band** - Stanley, Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Reg Vardy Band*

**Reg Vardy Band** - Stanley, Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1910 - Former names: Craghead Colliery Band (to 1968), Every Ready GB Band, Berec Ever Ready Band, Ever Ready Band (to 2004), Reg Vardy (Ever Ready) Band

**Regent Brass** - Willesden, Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 1985

**Regent Hall Methodist Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Regents Park Road Home Band**

See: *Camden Boys Home Band*

**Reid Memorial Silver Band**

See: *Reid Memorial Band*

**Reid Silver Band**

See: *Reid Memorial Band*

**Reigate Borough Band**

See: *Borough of Reigate Band*

**Reigate Brass Band - Surrey**

Active in the 1850s to 1859

**Reigate Priory Band - Surrey**

Active from 1904 to 1911. Conductor A. Carden in 1905, M.G. Herbert in 1910

**Reigate Silver Band**

See: *Reigate Town Silver Band*

**Reigate Town Silver Band - Surrey**

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s. They performed on Saturday nights in Market Square, by the Old Town Hall. Their rehearsals were held in one of the caves off Tunnel Road. Competed in the SCABA contest in Chichester in April 1927. Originally formed as a brass/reed band they converted to all brass in 1906

**Renfrew and Dumbarton Artillery Volunteers Band, 1st - Renfrewshire**

See: *1st Renfrew and Dumbarton Artillery Volunteers Band*

**Renfrew Burgh Band - Renfrewshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1911 - Note: Formed in 1911, supported by the town council through the common good fund. One of the earliest conductors was Mr. J Peckham, appointed in 1920. During his leadership the band entered and won many contests, with the band being promoted to the top section

**Renfrew Schools Brass Band - Renfrewshire**

Active in the 1980s

**Renishaw and Oxcroft Collieries Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Renishaw United and Oxcroft Collieries Band**

See: *Renishaw and Oxcroft Collieries Band*

**Renton Brass Band - Dunbartonshire**

Active from the early 1880s until it folded around 1952. Donald McGregor conductor in 1905. The hall that they practiced in was in Back Street and was pulled down for new housing, The uniform was brown with a yellow stripe on the trouser and jacket. They used to play at Boghead Park before the Dumbarton football games,

**Renton Instrumental Band**

See: *Renton Brass Band*

**Renwick Brass Band - Cumberland**

Active from 1864 to the 1890s

**Resdev Market Rasen Band - Lincolnshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1966 - Former names: Market Rasen Town Band, Market Rasen Band (to 2002), Market Rasen RPC Band (to 2012) - Note: Previous Market Rasen Town Band existed from the 1880s until disbanding at start of WW2

**Resolven Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active from the 1920s to the late 1940s

**Reston Brass Band - Berwickshire**

Active in 1882

**Retford Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active from the 1840s to the 1890s. Conductor F. Saxby in 1869

**Retford Volunteer Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Retford Wesleyan Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

**Revesby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1861

**Revo Electric Works Band**

See: *Revo Works Brass Band*

**Revo Works Brass Band** - Dudley, Staffordshire

Formed in 1880 as Tipton St Martins Band, later known as Dudley Port Prize Band and Dudley Port Excelsior Band (active in 1897). Bandmaster J. Roberts in 1907. Became associated with the Revo Works and took their title in 1928. The band's first broadcast, in 1929, was of two hours in length - a record at that time. Still active into the late 1950s.

**Rhayader Brass Band** - Radnorshire

Active in the 1880s

**Rheryn Berem Band**

See: *Rhosynberem Band*

**Rhowl Mostyn Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1878

**Rhiwderin Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s

**Rhiwlas Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Rhodes Bleach Works Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s - linked to the Bleach and Dye Works at Rhodes, near Middleton.

**Rhodian Brass** - Chesterfield, Derbyshire

Formed in 1979 by former members of the William Rhodes School Band as a contesting brass band. Rose to the Championship Section before folding around 2000.

**Rhondda Tramways Silver Band**

Active in the 1920s

**Rhondda Valley Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Rhos and District Silver Band** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Rhos Brass Band** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Rhos Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Founded in 1884. Also known as Rhosllannerchrugog Brass Band. Amalgamated with Rhos Excelsior Band in 1905 to form Rhos Revival Band (forerunner of the current Wrexham Brass)

**Rhos Excelsior Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Founded in 1904, conductor Charles Bennett. Amalgamated with Rhos Brass Band in 1905 to form Rhos Revival Band (forerunner of the current Wrexham Brass)

**Rhos Prize Silver Band** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Rhosddu and Acton Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

Active in the 1910s

**Rhosddu and Gresford Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

Active in 1915

**Rhosesmor Voel Gaer Band**

See: *Voel Gaer Brass Band*

**Rhosgadfan Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in the early 1900s. Later, this band became known as the Moeltryfan Silver Prize Band. During the years following the first world war the noted musician Maw Cadfan (popularly known as Dolo) took charge of the band, and in a very short time the quarrymen of Rhosgadfan had a band of which they could be justly proud. Apart from being a keen bandsman, Alaw Cadfan was also a composer, a fine accompanist, and choir conductor. At the time of the depression in the early 1930s most of the men of Rhosgadfan were unemployed, but that did not prevent the villagers from building a Village Hall on a plot of land between Rhosgadfan and Penyffridd, mainly through voluntary labour. These were the band's best years; the gloom of poverty could not diminish the men's enthusiasm. They had plenty of time to practise during the day and there was no difficulty in getting a full rehearsal almost every night of the week. The hall would be full of keen supporters listening intelligently to the strains of 'Recollections of Verdi'. 'Dawn of Spring' or 'Happy Memories'.

**Rhosllannerchrugog Brass Band**

See: *Rhos Brass Band*

**Rhosrobin Brass Band**

See: *Rhosrobin Institute Brass Band*

**Rhosrobin Institute Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1890s - joined the Gresford Volunteers Company en bloc in 1895, conductor R.J. Dodd, but remained as Rhosrobin Institute Brass Band. Conductor S. Lloyd in 1899.

**Rhostyllen Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Rhosynberem Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1910s. Also recorded as Rheryn Berem Band

**RHP Works Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

See: *Ransome Band*

**Rhydymain Brass Band** - Merioneth

Active in 1869

**Rhyl Silver Band** - Flintshire

[current band] - Founded in 1877 - Former names: Rhyl Town Band, 3rd Volunteers Royal Welsh Fusiliers Band (1890 to early 1900s)

**Rhyl St John Ambulance Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1950s

**Rhyl Town Band** - Flintshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Rhyl Silver Band*

**Rhymney Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the 1870s to WW1. Conductor S. Radcliffe in 1908

**Rhymney Railway Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1862, conductor James Garrett

**Rhymney Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Active from the 1950s to the 1980s. Conducted by Richard Nash in 1969. Probably renamed as the Hymac Rhymney Band, which went on to win the Welsh Regional Championships (3rd Section) in 1976. A youth band also existed in this period.

**Rhymney Workmen's Institute (Hymac Works) Band**

See: *Rhymney Silver Band*

**Rhynie Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1853, conductor Mr Ingram

**Ribblesdale Brass Band** - Gisburn, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1838 and re-established in 1853. Still active in 1869

**Ribchester Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1862

**Ribchester Old Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Ribchester St Wilfred's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1864. Took part in the Whitsuntide processions in Preston in 1872. Still active in 1904

**Ribchester Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Riccarton Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Active in 1908

**Richard Johnson and Nephew Iron Works Band** - Bradford, Lancashire

Active from the 1920s to the late 1940s

**Richardshaw Lane Brass Band** - Stanningley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed as Stanningley Primitive Methodist Band in the early 1880s, renamed Richardshaw Lane Brass Band in 1886. Conductor J.A. Riley in 1899. Still active in 1903

**Richmond Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1858 and into the 1860s. Merged with the North Yorkshire Volunteer Band

**Richmond Band** - Surrey

See: *West London Silver Band*

**Richmond Borough Band**

See: *Richmond Corporation Brass Band*

**Richmond Corporation Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s. Mr Kerry bandmaster in 1899

**Richmond Hill Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1877 and the 1880s

**Richmond on Thames Schools Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the late 1960s to 1980s

**Richmond Road Mission Brass Band** - Hackney, Middlesex

Founded in 1906, conductor E. Powell. Linked to the Richmond Road Wesleyan Chapel

**Richmond Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1900s, also the late 1940s and early 1950s

**Richmond Workingman's Amateur Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1857

**Ricklinghall Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active from the 1870s until 1950 when the remaining members joined the Gislingham Band.

**Rickmansworth Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in 1875

**Rickmansworth Town Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s to the 1900s

**Riddings Band** - Derbyshire

The village is famous for its two windmills (no longer standing) named Sarah and James after the children of the man who built them. The band was formed in 1970 and rose all the way to the Championship section. It folded in 2007.

**Riddings Brass Band**

See: *Riddings United Brass Band*

**Riddings Prize Band**

See: *Riddings United Brass Band*

**Riddings Silver Band**

See: *Riddings, Somercotes and Leabrooks Silver Band*

**Riddings United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1899, bandmaster G. Davidson. Active to the 1930s. Conductor J. Woodcock in 1903

**Riddings, Somercotes and Leabrooks Silver Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the early 1950s to the mid-1960s

**Riddlesden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Ridgeway Brass Band** - near Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1888, some seventy pounds was spent on the instruments and equipment and the Church School was their headquarters. Mr John Keeton was the first conductor, followed by his son-in-law, John Taylor, and then finally by Charles E. Fisher, when the band subsequently folded from lack of recruits.

**Rifle Volunteers Royal Scots Band, 4th**

See: *4th Rifle Volunteers Royal Scots Band*

**Rigid Containers Group Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Virtuosi GUS Band*

**Rigside Brass Band (1)** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1863, 1864

**Rigside Brass Band (2)** - Lanarkshire

See: *Douglas Colliery Band*

**Rigton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1851, performing at Kirkby Overblow. Probably the North Rigton Brass Band (though it could possibly be East Rigton)

**Rilla Mill Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1866

**Rillington and Scampston Brass Band**

See: *Rillington Brass Band*

**Rillington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1847, also from the mid-1880s through to the late 1920s. Cornet players W.H. Spaven and A. Calam in 1893. Still active in 1929.

**Ringland Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1920s. Merged with Horsham St Faith Brass Band to form Drayton Band in 1937.

**Ringley Church School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1873, when they headed a procession in June of 1873 to celebrate a Royal visit to Bolton. Still active in 1883, conductor Thomas Seddon.

**Ringmer School Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1970s

**Ringstead Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Known as Ringstead Temperance Band in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor John Knowles in 1860, Fairey Mayes in 1878, J.K. Skinner in 1888

**Ringstead Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Ringstead Brass Band*

**Ringwood and Burley Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Formed in 1970 through the merger of Ringwood Band with the Burley Band

**Ringwood Brass Band (1)** - Hampshire

Active in the 1850s

**Ringwood Brass Band (2)** - Hampshire

See: *Ringwood Town Band*

**Ringwood Town Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1887. Merged with Burley Silver Band in 1970 to form Ringwood and Burley Band.

**Ripe Brass Band (1)** - Sussex

Founded in 1887, conductor Mr Cuthbert. Disbanded in 1888

**Ripe Brass Band (2)** - Sussex

Formed some time after 1888. Active in 1905

**Ripley and Butterley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1869, conductor Mr Sipson

**Ripley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1860, performing at the ceremony to cut the first sod for the new Nidd Valley Railway.

**Ripley Hospital Boys Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Whitehead in 1909. The Ripley Hospital Orphanage was opened in 1864 in Springfield Park as a legacy from the estate of Thomas Ripley, coffee and tea importer

**Ripley Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Ripley Town Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

**Ripley United Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Took part in the 44th Annual Temperance procession on Whit Monday in 1915. Starting from Somercotes, a sea of banners, flags and gaily decorated floats proceeded through Leabrooks and Riddings, gathering strength as it marched, and parading the village of Ironville before winding its way up to the Jessop Monument in Codnor Park. Won the Crystal Palace Shield in 1922 and 1923. By then they had won 17 firsts, 11 seconds, 3 thirds and 20 special prizes. Under the name of Ripley United Silver Prize Band (conductor W.J. Saint) it entered the Spondon contest in 1926. Winners of the 'Daily Sketch' Cup and Junior Championships, 3rd Section, at the Crystal Palace on 27th September 1930.

**Ripley United Silver Prize Band**

See: *Ripley United Band*

**Ripon City Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1860 - Former names: Ripon City Prize Band, Ripon City Silver Band, City of Ripon Band

**Ripon City Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Ripon City Band*

**Ripon Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868

**Ripon Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868

**Rippingdale Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

**Rippin's Brass Band** - Boston, Lincolnshire

Active in 1890, conductor Mr Rippin

**Rippin's Juvenile Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Boston Juvenile Brass Band*

**Ripponden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Ripponden Carriers Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1856. Merged with Huddersfield Brass in 2006 to form Huddersfield and Ripponden Brass

**Ripponden Motors Band**

See: *Ripponden Carriers Brass Band*

**Ripponden Ryburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868

**Ripponden Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s

**Ripponden Village Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1989/1990

**Ripton Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Founded in 1864

**Risca North Colliery Band** - Monmouthshire

Formed in 1871, with William Palmer as bandmaster. The colliery itself was only opened that year and continued to produce coal until 1963. Some of its members went on to found the Crosskeys Prize Band in 1902

**Risca Town Military Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1880s to 1914. Some of its members went on to found the Crosskeys Prize Band in 1902

**Rise Carr Rolling Mills Band** - Darlington, Durham

Active in the 1890s. Conductor W.S. Crowther in 1899. Disbanded in 1905. Its silver-plated instruments were purchased by the Cockerton Brass Band, which then renamed itself the Cockerton Silver Band.

**Riseley and Raunds Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1867

**Riseley Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1860, 1863, 1910



## **Rishton Public Band**

See: *Rishton Subscription Band*

## **Rishton Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. Lancashire Quarter Sessions - Preston, Midsummer 1904 - "Notice and grounds of appeal of Walter Albert Duckworth, weaver, and Secretary of Rishton Brass Band Institute, and Joshua Duckworth, steward, against order that the club be struck off the register of clubs following complaint of John Smith McKeand of Church, superintendent of police" Then, "Order of the Court of Summary Jurisdiction that Rishton Brass Band Institute be struck off the register of clubs for habitually contravening the rules"

## **Rishworth and Ryburn Valley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1869. Active to the 1920s. Known as Rishworth Brass Band until the 1890s

## **Rishworth Brass Band**

See: *Rishworth and Ryburn Valley Brass Band*

## **Rishworth Subscription Band**

See: *Rishworth and Ryburn Valley Brass Band*

## **Rising Star Lifeboat Crew Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Barrow Steelworks Band*

## **Rising Sun Colliery Band** - Wallsend, Northumberland

See: *Wallsend Colliery Band*

## **Rising Sun Temperance Brass Band** - Barrow-In-Furness, Lancashire

Active in 1886, conductor W. Bennett

## **Rist's Cable Works Band** - Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s to mid-1960s. In 1952 they organised their own slow melody contest. Conducted by William Skelton in the 1960s.

## **Rist's Wires and Cables Band**

See: *Rist's Cable Works Band*

## **Rivenhall Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1890, conductor I. Brook

## **Riverside Brass**

See: *South Side Brass*

## **Riviera Concert Brass** - Torquay, Devon

[current band] - Founded in 2005 - Note: Formed by some of the members of the former Band of the Devon & Cornwall Constabulary

## **Rivington and Adlington Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1864

## **RMT Easington Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Easington Colliery Band*

## **RMT Silksworth Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band (to 1905), Durham Artillery Silksworth Band, Silksworth Colliery Band, Vaux Samson Band (1980s to 1999), Pride Valley Brass (to 2004)

## **RMT Silksworth Band**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

## **RNAS Yeovilton Band**

See: *Royal Navy Air Station Yeovilton Band*

- RNR (Clyde Division) Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1950s
- RNR (Tay Division) Brass Band** - Tayport, Fife  
Active from the 1910s to WW2, and the from the 1960s to the 1980s. Won the 4th Section National Championships in 1973. Known as Dundee RNVR Band in its early years.
- Road Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset  
See: *Rode Brass Band*
- Road and Beckington Brass Band** - Somerset  
See: *Rode and Beckington Brass Band*
- Road Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1863 when it took part in a summer festival in July in the village. Also in 1875. There may also have been a band around 1937 connected to the local manufacturer - "Pianoforte Supplies Ltd"
- Road Secondary School Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1970s
- Roadwater Brass Band** - Somerset  
Formed in 1878 and were still active in 1933. Mark Bodenham recounts, "my great-grandad, Tom Ridler, was the bandmaster and I have a few pictures of the band including one with my grandad, Reg Ridler, with his father and 7 brothers!" In 1933, The father, Mr. T. Ridler, who was in his 69th year, was the conductor. The youngest member was 12, and was a cornet player, like his father. The other playing members of the family were T. Ridler, jun., solo cornet; R. Ridler, second cornet; B. Ridler, baritone; W. Ridler, euphonium; C. Ridler, bombardon; and S. Ridler, drums. All were taught by their father. Bandmaster Ridler, as a young man, joined the once famous Bridgtown Brass Band, of whom he became conductor. He played also in Dulverton and Bampton Bands, and was a founder of Roadwater Band.
- Roath Wesleyan Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1893, conductor J. Matthews
- Roberts Bakery Band** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Former names: Middlewich Town Band (to 1980)
- Robertsbridge Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1890s through to the 1920s
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Chester, Cheshire  
Active in the 1870s to 1880s
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Cinderford, Gloucestershire  
Active in mid-1850s
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Cuddington,  
See: *Cuddington Brass Band*
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Lambley,  
See: *Lambley Robin Hood Brass Band*
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
See: *Robin Hood Rifles Band*
- Robin Hood Brass Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]

- Robin Hood Rifles Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1870s to 1900s. Conductor A.S. Redgate in 1888
- Rocester Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the 1850s to the 1950s
- Rocester Saxhorn Band**  
See: *Rocester Brass Band*
- Rochdale Amateur Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire  
See: *Rochdale Rifles Band*
- Rochdale Amateur Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire  
Instituted in 1879, still active in 1888. It promoted a band contest every year from 1881 to 1887
- Rochdale and District Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1903, with players selected from other local bands, conductor Joseph Thompson
- Rochdale Band** - Lancashire  
Formed in the 1950s as Rochdale Borough Youth Brass Band, became Rochdale Band in 1964, then Rochdale Wilsons Band 1979-1985, reverting to Rochdale Band until 1995 when taking the name Rochdale Dunphy Combustion Band, shortly before disbanding. A successor Rochdale Borough Youth Band was formed in the mid-1990s
- Rochdale Borough Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1840 as a brass and reed band, converting to all brass in 1876, conductor John T. Holt. When it disbanded in 1884 its instruments were sold to the Prestwich Public Brass Band
- Rochdale Borough Corporation Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1861
- Rochdale Borough Youth Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1994 - Former names: Rochdale Intermediate Brass Band
- Rochdale Borough Youth Brass Band**  
See: *Rochdale Band*
- Rochdale British Legion Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1940 and 1950s
- Rochdale Cadets Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Rochdale Druids' Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1860, 1862
- Rochdale Dunphy Combustion Band**  
See: *Rochdale Band*
- Rochdale Harmonic Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1856, conductor Frederick Stock
- Rochdale Healey Hall Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Healey Hall Brass Band*
- Rochdale Intermediate Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rochdale Borough Youth Band*
- Rochdale Metropolitan Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- Rochdale Old Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1880s to WW1

**Rochdale Platting Public Band**

See: *Platting Public Band*

**Rochdale Police Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1882 , conductor Mr Dawson. Still active in 1914

**Rochdale Postal Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, conductor G.F. Wilde in 1904

**Rochdale Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Originally formed as Platting Public Band in the 1870s. Became Rochdale Public Band around 1888. Active to the 1930s. Conductor Thomas Hamer in 1881, John Holt in 1885

**Rochdale Rifles Band** - Lancashire

Formed as the 24th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band in the 1850s. Became Rochdale Amateur Brass Band in 1864, secretary Ernest Cheetham. Still active into the early 1870s. Disbanded some time before 1879 when a successor band was formed.

**Rochdale Scout Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1918

**Rochdale Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1862 to 1867

**Rochdale Wilsons Band**

See: *Rochdale Band*

**Roche Brass** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 2012

**Rochester and Strood Temperance Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Green in 1903, bandmaster Mr Arthrell

**Rochester Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1880ss

**Rochester City Band**

See: *Hobourn Aero Works Band*

**Rock Brass Band** - Wellington, Shropshire

Active in the 1890s

**Rockcliffe Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1860

**Rockingham Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Wharncliffe Silkstone Colliery Band (to 1905), Rockingham Colliery Band (to mid-1920s), Wharncliffe Silkstone Colliery Band (to late 1960s), Osbourne Rockingham Band, W Harrison Transport (Rockingham) Band

**Rockingham Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Rockingham Band*

**Rockland and District Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1930s

**Rodbourn Cheyney Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the late 1900s

**Rode and Beckington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1862

**Rode Brass Band** - Cheshire

See: *Odd Rode Brass Band*

**Rode Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from 1860 to the 1890s

**Rode Hall Silver Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1880 - Note: Originally founded in 1837 as a Drum & Fife Band. One of its duties was to lead Parishioners from the Rode Heath to Astbury Church - some distance away. The current Band are not sure if this was on a regular basis or just special occasions. The Band changed to Brass in 1880 under the aegis of Randle Wilbraham of Rode Hall. In 1900 the Band paraded through the village to celebrate the relief of Mafeking and again at the end of the Boer War in 1902. Henry Pierpoint (1846-1925) was conductor Rode Hall Band 1880-1920 and co-founder in 1880.

**Rode Heath Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s

**Roding Valley Band** - Essex

Active in 1907

**Rodley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1864

**Roe Green Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1868

**Roffey Mission Band** - Sussex

[no information]

**Rogerstone Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1948 - Note: Initially formed as a wind band but soon converted wholly to brass

**Rogerstone Institute Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s

**Roke and Benson Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Roke Temperance Band (1887), Roke & District Brass Band - Note: Formed as drum and fife band in 1882 - changed to brass in 1887.

**Roke and District Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Roke & Benson Brass Band*

**Roke Temperance Band** - Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Roke & Benson Brass Band*

**Rolfe's Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex

See: *Messrs Rolfe & Harris' Brass Band*

**Rolleston Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1880s

**Rolls Royce (Crewe Division) Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1940s

**Rolls Royce (Derby) Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1935

**Rolls Royce (Derby) Training Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newmount Brass*

**Rolls Royce (Northern Factories) Band** - Barnoldswick, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Had a brief but successful existence during the 1950's and 60's competing at Belle Vue on numerous occasions (Senior Trophy).

**Rolls-Royce (Coventry) Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Jaguar Land Rover Band*

**Rolvenden Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1911

**Romaldkirk Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1856 to 1869

**Romford Borough Band**

See: *Romford Town Band*

**Romford Brewery Brass Band (1)** - Essex

Active in 1861. Consisting of young workmen from the Star Brewery (Ind Coope). Still active in 1864 (16 members). Presumed to have folded shortly thereafter, prior to 1867

**Romford Brewery Brass Band (2)** - Essex

Established in early 1867, with 23 performers, by J. Davies, conducted by Mr Phemister. Still active in 1869

**Romford Silver Prize Band** - Essex

Active in 1928, and in 1935, when it provided a wreath to the funeral of James Hawkins, founder of Romford Town Band.

**Romford Town Band** - Essex

Active from the 1880s to the 1980s. Founded by James Henry Hawkins (1856-1935) and Councllor Poole. Hawkins was the Bandleader for many years. From the Police Review Newspaper, 19 Nov 1909: "Essex Constable appointed Bandmaster.- The Romford Town Band Committee have appointed PC Dawkins, of the Essex Constabulary, to be their bandmaster. PC Dawkins is already conductor of the Romford Orchestral Society, a large flourishing body." He had a musical training at Kneller Hall, the Military College of Music, and retired from the Army with the rank of band corporal. He saw service in Egypt, and was the holder of the Khedive Star with bar and the Queen's Silver Medal. He was in the battles of El Teb and Tammaai. Altogether he was thirteen years with the Hussars. On leaving the Army he joined the Essex Constabulary, and in 30 years' service was stationed at Southend, Collier Row, Harold Wood, and Romford, where he was divisional clerk for 15 1/2 years. In 1915 he retired on pension. He was passionately fond of music, and with the late Mr. W. Poole, J.P., inaugurated the Romford Town Band. For 25 years he was bandmaster, and was succeeded by his son, Mr. H. C. Dawkins"

**Romiley and Bredbury Brass Band**

See: *Bredbury and Romiley Brass Band*

**Romiley Brass Band**

See: *Bredbury and Romiley Brass Band*

**Romsey Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1858

**Romsey Town Band** - Hampshire

Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster E. Tuck

**Roneo Alcatel Band**

See: *Hanwell Band*

**Roneo Vickers Band**

See: *Hanwell Band*

**Rooden Lane Brass Band** - Prestwich, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Rookhope Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1830s to the 1900s

**Rookhope Saxhorn Band**

See: *Rookhope Brass Band*

**Rookhope Wesleyan Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1870s - contemporary with the Rookhope Brass Band

**Roose Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the early 1900s

**Rootes Royal Band - Goudhurst?, Kent**

In existence before and after 1887. Legend has it that they gained their "Royal" title by coming first in a band competition in 1872, in front of Prince Alfred, the first Duke of Edinburgh. The mainstay of this particular band was William Rootes and five of his sons, although there were other non-family members.

**Ropley Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in the 1900s

**Ropsley Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active in 1859

**Roscoe Band - Liverpool, Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s

**Roscroggan Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1870s

**Rose Hill and Gilsland Union Brass Band - Northumberland**

Active in 1860, consisting of 14 members, practising at the Rose Hill Hotel, Gilsland.

Treasurer and secretary, John Smith

**Rose Hill Brass Band - Bolton, Lancashire**

Active in 1859, conductor Robert English. Still active in 1866

**Rose Hill Brass Band - Wellington?, Shropshire**

Active in the 1890s

**Rose of England Brass Band - Gorton, Lancashire**

Active in 1869, conductor Allen Blackshaw. Probably linked to a local lodge of the United Free Gardeners

**Rosedale Abbey Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1888

**Rosedale Abbey Temperance Band**

See: *Rosedale Abbey Brass Band*

**Rosedale Blue Ribbon Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Rosedale Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1853, 1865, 1886 and 1900

**Rosedale Temperance Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

See: *Rosedale Blue Ribbon Brass Band*

**Rosehill Band of the Salvation Army Assurance Society - Reading, Berkshire**

Formed September 1939.

**Rosewell Brass Band - Midlothian**

Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**Rosherville Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1851 to 1868. Possibly linked to the Rosherville Gardens "amusements" in the late 1860s

**Ross Brass Band** - Herefordshire

See: *Ross-on-Wye Town Band (1)*

**Ross Town Band** - Herefordshire

See: *Ross-on-Wye Town Band (2)*

**Rossett Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1890s. Conductor William Reed in 1895

**Rossett Church Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Founded in 1882, conductor C.A. Stephenson. Conductor E. Woolrich in 1887.

**Rossington Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Records of the band from 1922-1931 are held by the Lincolnshire Archives. Known as Rossington Colliery Welfare Silver Prize Band in 1959, and later known as Polypipe (Rossington) Band. Also known as: Rossington Colliery (Perry's) Band, Rossington Colliery (Plas Vent) Band, Rossington Colliery (Pozament) Band, and Rossington Main Colliery Band. The band folded around 2000.

**Rossington Main Colliery Welfare Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Rossington Colliery Band*

**Rosslyn Hill Brass Band** - Hampstead, Middlesex

Founded as early as 1866, played on summer Saturday evenings on Hampstead Heath in the 1880s/90s. Conductor George Sawyer in 1891. Originally known as Rosslyn Hill Working Men's Association Band

**Rosslyn Hill Working Men's Association Band** - Hampstead, Middlesex

See: *Rosslyn Hill Brass Band*

**Ross-on-Wye Town Band** - Herefordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1985 - Note: A former Ross Band folded in 1973. We are not a contesting Band because the demands of high level competition can put a strain on players and their families. We enjoy playing and entertaining people which brings its own rewards. As well as playing at local fetes etc. we have played for the Lords Lieutenant of Hereford and Gloucester and Sir John Harvey Jones, who was our President for some years. We have participated in the making of a promotional video for Sainsburys Supermarkets. The Band has also travelled to Betzdorf, Germany and Conde, France with the Ross Twinning Associations

**Ross-on-Wye Town Band (1)** - Herefordshire

Formed in the 1850s, it played at the opening of Ross Railway Station in 1855. It probably folded during the Great War.

**Ross-on-Wye Town Band (2)** - Herefordshire

Formed in 1924 by Benson Dare the Town Crier - every shilling he earned "crying" he put into the band fund. Conductor G. Prickett and secretary J.J. Preedy in 1931. There was a break in 1940 for the duration of the war and the band folded in 1973. A successor band was formed in 1985.

**Rosyth Dockyard Brass Band** - Fife

Founded in 1917. Active into the 1920s

**Rosyth Garden City and Dockyard Subscription Band** - Fife

See: *Rosyth Dockyard Brass Band*

**Rother Vale Brass Band** - Treeton, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Rothervale Brass Band*

**Rother Valley Youth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s



**Rotherfield Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in 1839 with "respectable young men of the area". Still active in 1888

**Rotherham and Masbrough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1870s and the 1910s

**Rotherham and Masbrough Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Rotherham Blue Ribbon Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Rotherham Borough Band*

**Rotherham Borough Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

The band was established in 1884 as Rotherham Blue Ribbon Band, a temperance band, bandmaster Joseph Cunningham. The first contest entered into was at Topley Gardens in 1887, where the band received plenty of applause, but no prize. In the early part of 1889, Mr. Fenton Renshaw was engaged as professional conductor, and almost immediately the band entered upon a fresh and decisive era in its history. Topley was again visited in 1890, this time under different conditions, carrying off second prize. The high standard of the band was well maintained up to 1896, indeed some of the best performances were accomplished in the course of the season. The most conspicuous were at Carlisle, when they divided the first and second with the famous Black Dyke, and at the Manchester July contest, when they were awarded premier honours. Altogether, 15 prizes were won, which included 11 firsts, two seconds, one third, one fourth, also three medals, a trombone, a cornet, and the Buxton Challenge Cup, value 50 guineas. The band was still active in the 1930s

**Rotherham Borough Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Rotherham Borough Band*

**Rotherham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Poulter. Still active in 1867

**Rotherham Gospel Mission Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s, disbanding in 1897

**Rotherham Locomotive Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1868

**Rotherham Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Canklow Brass Band*

**Rotherham Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1882. In 1897 won the quickstep march contest held in Doncaster, as part of the Agricultural Show at the Racecourse, on 30 June 1898 (yielding the test piece and own choice contests to Besses and Black Dyke Bands)

**Rotherham Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Merged with the Whiston Brass Band in 1989.

**Rotherham Town Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1989 - Amalgamation of Whiston Brass Band and Rotherham Town Band

**Rotherham Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Rotherhithe Men's Own Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Tom Morgan in 1908

**Rothervale Brass Band** - Treeton, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Possibly linked to the Rother Vale group of collieries.  
Bandmaster H. Fieldsend in 1895. Secretary W.H. Littlewood in 1903

**Roths Brass Band** - Morayshire

Active in 1861. New set of instruments in 1864, when their instructor was Mr Johnston.  
Still active in 1867

**Rothsay Amateur Brass Band** - Buteshire

Active in the 1870s

**Rothwell Albion Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1864. In 1888 it received a new set of instruments from Silvani and Smith, London, costing £170. [6 Bb cornets, 1 Eb cornet, 3 tenor horns, two baritones, 1 euphonium (4-valve), 2 tenor trombones, 1 bass trombone, 2 Eb bombardons, 1 double-B monster). Still active until the late 1950s.

**Rothwell Band**

See: *Rothwell Temperance Band*

**Rothwell Chapel Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1860s

**Rothwell Church Brass Band**

See: *Rothwell Chapel Brass Band*

**Rothwell Congregational Mission Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1894

**Rothwell Haigh Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Rothwell Mission Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1890

**Rothwell Model Band**

See: *Rothwell Old Band*

**Rothwell Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s. Originally Rothwell Model Band until 1881, it was still active until the late 1960s. Secretary Thomas Bennett in 1885

**Rothwell Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1900s

**Rothwell Saxhorn Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1860s

**Rothwell Temperance B Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Rothwell Temperance Band*

**Rothwell Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1985 - Former names: Rothwell Temperance Junior Band, Rothwell Temperance B Band (1989), Rothwell Temperance Band (1991)

**Rothwell Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1881, became Wallace Arnold Rothwell Band in 1991, before reverting to Rothwell Band, then merging with DUT Yorkshire Imperial Band in 1999 to form DUT Yorkshire Imperial Rothwell Band. (A new Rothwell Temperance Band arose out of the Rothwell Temperance 'B' Band, taking the name in 1991)

**Rothwell Temperance Junior Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Rothwell Temperance Band*

- Rothwell Town Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Founded in 1886, conductor J.T. Butlin. Active to the 1900s
- Rough Lea Colliery Band** - Hunwick, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s and still active in the 1920s
- Roughdale's Brass Band**  
See: *Roughdale's Fire Clay Company Brass Band*
- Roughdale's Fire Clay Company Brass Band** - St Helens, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor George Beesley in 1881
- Roundwood Park School Brass Band** - Harpenden, Hertfordshire  
Active in the 1960s
- Rover Band**  
See: *Morris Motors Band*
- Rowlands Gill Band** - Durham  
Probably associated with the Lilley Drift mine at this village. Formed in the 1900s. Still active in 1907
- Rowledge Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the early 1900s
- Rowntree Mackintosh Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Shepherd Building Group Brass Band*
- Rowntree Works Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Shepherd Building Group Brass Band*
- Rowntree's Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Shepherd Building Group Brass Band*
- Rowntree's Cocoa Works Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Shepherd Building Group Brass Band*
- Rowsham Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1900s to 1920s. A successor band was formed in 1999, active in the local community playing at fetes, garden parties and the like.
- Roxton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire  
[no information]
- Royal Air Force Association Band** - Sale, Cheshire  
Active in the 1980s
- Royal Albert Asylum Brass Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire  
Active from the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor C. Godfrey Jones in 1876, with 20 instrumentalists, when it gave a concert including "Der Freischutz". Conductor B. Vere in 1887. The hospital opened in 1870 and in 1884 the hospital was renamed as the "Royal Albert Asylum for the Care, Education and Training of Idiots, Imbeciles and Weak-Minded children and Young Persons of the Northern Counties". The band was still active in 1910.
- Royal Albert Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
Active in the 1860s to 1867
- Royal Albert Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1846
- Royal Albert Orphan Asylum Brass Band** - Camberley, Surrey  
Active in the 1870s and 1900s, conductor W.A. Allen in 1903. The orphanage was opened in 1864 in an unfinished mansion, Collingwood Court, in 200 acres near Bagshot. In 1876

the band performed at a dinner with the Lord Mayor of London at which £2,500 is raised for the school (£200,000 at current value).

**Royal Alexandra Brass Band**

See: *Wivenhoe Alexandra Brass Band*

**Royal Alhambra Brass Band** - London

A professional brass band which served the various entertainments at the Alhambra Palace, London in the 1850s and 1860s

**Royal and Ancient Order of Buffalos Brass Band**

See: *R.A.O.B. Brass Band*

**Royal Artillery Amateur Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1858

**Royal Artillery Association Brass Band** - Bournemouth, Hampshire

See: *Bournemouth Royal Artillery Association Band*

**Royal Artillery Association Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Royal Asylum for the Blind Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s, and 1902/1908, based at 100 Castle Street, Glasgow. Conductor Robert Scott in 1863. Still active in 1928-1934, conducted by Thomas Scott. In the 1850s the band consisted of 14 players from the male adult workers at the asylum

**Royal Blind Asylum Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian

Active at various times between the early 1880s and the 1960s, with several gaps. Disbanded in 1889, reformed in 1895, bandmaster Thomas Bowie. Conductor Walter Gilroy in 1906. Active in the 1940s/1950s. Probably folded in the 1960s.

**Royal Blind Asylum Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

See: *Royal Asylum for the Blind Brass Band*

**Royal Boston Harmonic Band**

See: *Boston Harmonic Brass Band*

**Royal British Legion (Lincolnshire) Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Spalding Brass*

**Royal British Legion (Spalding) Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Spalding Brass*

**Royal British Legion Victory Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1980

**Royal Buckley Town Band** - Flintshire

[current band] - Founded in 1820 - Former names: Buckley Brass Band (to 1890).

Conductor William Griffiths in 1863

**Royal Conwy Brass Band**

See: *Conwy Brass Band*

**Royal Denbigh Volunteer Band**

See: *Denbigh Guard Brass Band*

**Royal Deptford Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Deptford Brass Band*

**Royal Doulton Band**

Formerly known as the North Staffordshire Concert Band (to 1973), it disbanded in 1995

**Royal Doulton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Trentham Brass Band*

**Royal Earlswood Hospital Brass Band** - Redhill, Surrey

Active in 1864. A list exists of members of the brass band in 1885 (surnames and instruments) with a note that they are to be paid £2 per annum in addition to their ordinary wages. Also known as the Royal Earlswood Hospital Patient's Band

**Royal Eastern Counties Asylum Band**

See: *Band of the Royal Eastern Counties Asylum*

**Royal Engineers (Chorlton-cum-Hardy) Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Royal Engineers (Llanelli) Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1910s

**Royal Engineers 42nd Division T.A. Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Royal Engineers 43rd Wessex Division T.A. Band** - Bath, Somerset

Active in the 1960s

**Royal Excelsior Brass Band** - Windsor,

Active in 1874, conducted by J. Pike

**Royal Flying Corps Aircraft Park Band** - Ascot, Berkshire

Active in 1917

**Royal Fusiliers (1st Cadet Battalion)**

See: *1st Cadet Battalion Royal Fusiliers [City of London Regiment] Band*

**Royal Gardens Brass Band** - North Woolwich, Essex

Active in 1868. A professional band based at the Royal Gardens, North Woolwich

**Royal George Brass Band** - Greenfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the 1910s

**Royal Gloucestershire Hussars (T.A.) Band** - Gloucester, Gloucestershire

Active from the early 1960s. Disbanded in 1968, and after negotiation with the M.O.D. the instruments were purchased and most of the former R.G.H. bandsmen, together with other local players, formed the City of Gloucester Band.

**Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Band** - Berkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Watership Brass*

**Royal Leamington Good Samaritan Brass Band** - Warwickshire

A temperance band active in 1869, secretary J. Robbins

**Royal Leamington Spa Brass Band**

See: *Leamington Royal Spa Brass Band*

**Royal Leamington Spa Mechanics Band**

See: *Leamington Mechanics Band*

**Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Royal Spa Brass*

**Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band** - Warwickshire

Formed around the end of 1954, when the Kenilworth Town Band folded and some of its players set up this band. Around 1957 the remaining members of Cubbington Silver Band amalgamated with the band, together with some members from the Bishops Itchington Imperial Band. It went into decline from 1960 and ceased as a band in 1972. A successor band was formed a year later.

**Royal Leamington Spa Victory Band** - Warwickshire

Founded in 1919, bandmaster G.H. Reid

- Royal Naval Association Brass Band** - Ramsgate, Kent  
Active in the 1990s
- Royal Naval Reserves (Loco Works) Band**  
See: *RNR (Clyde Division) Brass Band*
- Royal Naval Volunteer Band (Bristol Division)**  
[no information]
- Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
See: *RNR (Clyde Division) Brass Band*
- Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Band** - Tayport, Fife  
See: *RNR (Tay Division) Brass Band*
- Royal Navy Air Station Yeovilton Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1960s
- Royal Navy Portsmouth Barracks Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1920s to late 1940s. Also known as the Portsmouth Blue Jackets Band
- Royal Navy Torpedo Factory Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1917
- Royal Oak School Brass Band**  
Active in 1981 when it competed in the Midlands Area 4th Section contest.
- Royal Oakeley Silver Band** - Merioneth  
[current band] - Founded in 1864 - Former names: Gwaenydd Brass Band, Gwaenydd Silver Band
- Royal Ordnance Factory Social Association (Chorley, Lancashire) Band**  
Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by W. Haydock). Still active in 1945.
- Royal Park Brass Band**  
See: *Leeds Royal Park Band*
- Royal Pavilions Brass Band** - North Woolwich, Essex  
Active in 1858. This was a professional band associated with the Royal Pavilion Gardens, conductor J. Stevens
- Royal Penrhyn Brass Band**  
See: *Penrhyn Quarries Brass Band*
- Royal Sherwood Foresters' Militia Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Royal Signals Regiment T.A. Band** - Chatham, Kent  
Active in the 1960s
- Royal Small Arms Institute Band** - Enfield Lock, Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s
- Royal Spa Band**  
See: *Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band*
- Royal Spa Brass** - Warwickshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1973 - Former names: Royal Leamington Spa Silver Band (to 1992)
- Royal Spa Brass Band**  
See: *Leamington Royal Spa Brass Band*
- Royal Stainland Brass Band**  
See: *Stainland Brass Band*

**Royal Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire  
Active in the early 1900s to 1934. Conductor T. Downs in 1907

**Royal Thame Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
See: *Thame Brass Band (1)*

**Royal Tunbridge Wells and District Federation Band**  
Active in 1930

**Royal Vaynol Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
See: *Llanrug Royal Brass Band*

**Royal Victoria Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1859

**Royal Victoria Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1897

**Royal Wear Yacht Club Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. In 1859 it was disqualified from the band contest at Felton for having some professional members.

**Royal Welsh Warehouse Band**  
See: *Pryce-Jones Ltd. Band*

**Royal West Mendip Brass Band**  
See: *West Mendip Brass Band*

**Royal Westmorland Brass Band** - Westmorland  
Active in 1861

**Royal Wiltshire Militia Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1870s

**Royal Windsor Castle Brass Band**  
A travelling "menagerie" band which was active in the 1850s. Edmonds' Royal Windsor Castle Menagerie toured the country.

**Royal Witney Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
See: *Witney Brass Band (2)*

**Royal Wootton Bassett Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Wootton Bassett Brass Band

**Royal Yacht Club Band**  
See: *Royal Wear Yacht Club Brass Band*

**Royds Hall Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1856, 1858

**Roydshall Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Royds Hall Brass Band*

**Royston Amateur Brass Band** - Hertfordshire  
Active in 1863 to 1867. Conductor Frederick C. Carver in 1863.

**Royston Brass Band** - Hertfordshire  
Active in 1906

**Royston Colliery Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s

**Royston Drift Mine Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the late 1970s to early 1980s

**Royston Military Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Royston Town Band*

- Royston New Monckton Colliery Institute Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1945 and active to the mid-1960s. It competed in the Senior Trophy in 1962, conducted by J Armstrong.
- Royston Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded around 1904. Active to 1939
- Royston Teetotal Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Royston Town Band*
- Royston Town Band** - Hertfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1865 - Former names: Royston Volunteer Band, Royston Teetotal Band, Royston Military Band
- Royston Volunteer Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Royston Town Band*
- Royton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from 1860 to the early 1890s
- Royton Literary Institute Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1860
- Royton Public Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the mid-1890s to the 1930s. Conductor J.H. Reed in 1904, J. Ogden in 1908
- Ruabon Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
Founded in 1885, bandmaster John Cooper. Conductor John Griffith in 1900. Active to the 1930s.
- Ruabon Volunteer Band** - Denbighshire  
Active in 1894
- Ruan Minor Brass Band**  
See: *Grade and Ruan Minor Brass Band*
- Ruardean Village Band** - Gloucestershire  
Formed around 1900, reformed in 1945 after the War and disbanded 1959-60. Band and choir contests were held in the village from before 1910 until the late 1970s.
- Ruddington Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active from the mid-1860s to the 1890s
- Ruddington Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Formed after WW1 in the early 1920s. Active to the 1950s
- Ruddington Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1869
- Rudgwick Brass Band** - Sussex  
Formed in 1861, set up by Rev Thurlow of Baynards. The whole band enlisted in the Great War. Re-established after WW1 by G C Barker of Gaskyns. Met in a band room behind Willow Cottage, Church St. John, William, Harold, and Charlie Tate were successive bandmasters. Competed in the SCABA contest in Chichester in April 1927. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. It folded in the late 1940s
- Rudgwick Silver Band**  
See: *Rudgwick Brass Band*
- Rudland and Fadmoor Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1895 when a band member, Frank Teasdale, was summoned for assaulting the landlord of the inn at Fadmoor. Also active in 1904



**Rufford Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1860s until the early 1950s. Known as Rufford Temperance Band in its early years. Conductor George Ellis in 1862. At the turn of the 20th century the band rehearsed in the Hesketh Arms, which probably explains the loss of the 'Temperance' part of their name! Photographs show the band leading such events as the village Summer Gala (1910) and the Annual Rufford Tea Party (1930s). In 1911 the Bandmaster was James Southworth, in 1919 it was Tom Salthouse and at its demise it was Harry Draper.

**Rufford Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1859, 1862

**Rufford Colliery Band - Rainworth, Nottinghamshire**

[no information]

**Rufford Temperance Band**

See: *Rufford Brass Band*

**Rugby Brass Band**

See: *Rugby Town Band*

**Rugby Imperial Band - Warwickshire**

Founded in 1908, conductor Mr Stebbing

**Rugby Mission Band**

See: *Rugby Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

**Rugby Primitive Methodist Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Formed in 1884, active into the 1910s. Mr Ethell conductor in 1909

**Rugby Steam Sheds Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Founded in 1854 by John Austin, a railwayman in the service of the L. and N.W.R. Active through to 1939. Conductor W.H. Cask in 1878, J. Bedford in 1909-1923, C. Lee in 1932, E.C. Moore in 1938

**Rugby Temperance Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1895

**Rugby Town Band - Warwickshire**

Active from the 1840s. Was entered in the Overseal Brass Band Contest in 1921, under conductor Roscoe Walters, but withdrew without playing. Played at the Rugby Police Charity Sports Day, Clifton Road, Rugby, on 17th September 1921. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Still active in the late 1950s.

**Rugby Wesleyan Mission Band**

See: *Rugby Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

**Rugeley Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1850s to the 1930s

**Rugeley Comrades Band - Staffordshire**

Formed after the end of WW1. Later became the Rugeley Progressive Working Men's Club Band, active in the 1930s.

**Rugeley Mission Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active throughout the 1890s

**Rugeley Power Station Brass Band - Staffordshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1981

**Rugeley Progressive Working Men's Club Band**

See: *Rugeley Comrades Band*

**Rugeley Town Band**

See: *Rugeley Brass Band*

**Rugeley Volunteers Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s - contemporary with the Rugeley Town Band

**Runcorn Amateur Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1906

**Runcorn Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s

**Runcorn Harmonic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1860s and 1890s

**Runcorn Pioneer Brass Band** - Cheshire

Formed shortly after WW1. Active through to the 1960s

**Runcorn Silver Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s, contemporary with the Runcorn Pioneer Band

**Runcorn St Edward's Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Thomas Hynes, secretary P. Smith in 1902

**Runcorn Town and District Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1893 when it promoted a contest in the town.

**Runcorn Volunteers Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s

**Runcorn Waterworks Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1900s

**Runnymede Brass** - Surrey

Originally a breakaway group from Egham Band in the 70's, they achieved some successes with David Baker then David Lancaster at the helm, reaching the top three in the first section London Area Contest in 1995. The band broke up in 1999, and the brief emergence of Thames Brass from the ashes was also, sadly, short lived.

**Ruscombe and Whiteshill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor Tom Richards in 1906, G. Smith in 1928

**Ruscombe Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Ruscombe and Whiteshill Brass Band*

**Rush Green Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Rushall and Charlton Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the late 1940s, disbanded some time after the 1960s

**Rushall Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1860

**Rushall Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Rushbury Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1908

**Rushden Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1863 by C. Litchfield jun. Teacher Alfred Beeby in 1864

**Rushden Mission Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1898 - Former names: Rushden Wesleyan Mission Band - Note: Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. The band also used to broadcast during that period. Major conductors during 70s included Ernie Denton and Bill Scholes. Both were better known for their links with the band around the corner (literally) Rushden Temperance (now 'Windmill')

**Rushden National School Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Rushden Rifle Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Town Band*

**Rushden Rifles Band**  
See: *Rushden Town Band*

**Rushden Temperance Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Windmill Band*

**Rushden Town Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1899 - Former names: Rushden Volunteer Band (1899),  
Rushden Rifle Band, Rushden Town Silver Prize Band

**Rushden Town Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: Rushden Windmill 'B' Band, Rushden  
Working Men's Club Band (1983-1990)

**Rushden Town Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in the 1890s as Rushden Rifles Band, becoming Rushden Town Band in the  
1920s. Active through to around 1970. A successor band was formed in 1979 from the  
Rushden Windmill 'B' Band.

**Rushden Volunteer Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Town Band*

**Rushden Wesleyan Mission Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Mission Band*

**Rushden Windmill 'B' Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Town Band*

**Rushden Windmill Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Rushden Temperance Silver Band (to  
1975)

**Rushden Working Men's Club Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rushden Town Band*

**Rushen Silver Band** - Isle of Man  
[current band] - Founded in 1937 - Former names: Surby Band (to 1949)

**Ruskington Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Founded in 1903. Conductor Ellerby Cox in 1905. Still active in 1927

**Ruskington Temperance Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1858

**Russell and Sons Crown Tube Works Band**  
See: *Crown Tube Works Brass Band*

**Rustington Silver Band** - Sussex  
Founded in 1903, conductor A. Denyer. Still active in 1924

**Ruston and Hornsby Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire  
Active from the 1890s to the late 1990s or early 2000s. Ruston and Hornsby Ltd. were  
engine builders and boilermakers, formed by the merger of Hornsby's works in  
Grantham with the Lincoln based Rustons. Originally formed as Hornsby Temperance  
Band, Ruston Engineers Silver Band, then Ruston Bucyrus Band from the 1970s to 1993  
when it became the Lincolnshire Fire Brigade Band.

**Ruston Bucyrus Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire  
See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Ruston Engineers Silver Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Ruston Silver Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

See: *Ruston and Hornsby Band*

**Ruswarp Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1863

**Rutherglen Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1880s.

**Rutherglen Burgh Band** - Lanarkshire

Founded in 1900, conductor Henry Fortin. Active to the 1930s. John Keith was a member during that period.

**Rutherglen Congregational Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster Mr Adamson

**Rutherglen Evangelistic Institute Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Rutherglen Excelsior Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1900s to the 1920s

**Rutherglen I.N.F. Band**

See: *Rutherglen Irish National Foresters Band*

**Rutherglen Irish National Foresters Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s

**Ruthin Borough Band**

See: *Ruthin Town Band*

**Ruthin Brass Band** - Denbighshire

See: *Ruthin Town Band*

**Ruthin Town Band** - Denbighshire

[current band] - Founded in September 2008

**Ruthin Town Band** - Denbighshire

Active from the 1850s, and folded around 1958. The band was officially disbanded by the Ruthin Town Council in 1962 when it was resolved that all instruments etc., be donated to the Brynhyfryd School, Ruthin for the benefit/use of its pupils. A successor band was formed in 2008.

**Rutland Mills Brass Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1874, active through to at least 1910. Conductor Mr Soothill in 1909

**Rutland Police Band** - Rutland

Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Rutland Terrace Iron Works Band** - Stamford, Lincolnshire

Active in the late 1850s, conductor Robert Smith

**Ruyton Brass Band** - Ruyton-XI-Towns, Shropshire

Active in 1853. Conductor Mr Blagg in 1860. Still active in 1864

**Ryburn and Blackburn Valley Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1980s, based near Barkisland.

**Ryburn Brass Band**

See: *Ryburn and Blackburn Valley Band*

**Ryde A.T.C. Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Competed in the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth (organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950.

**Ryde Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active 1833, still active in the 1850s, but was overshadowed by the new Town Band towards 1860.

**Ryde Borough Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[previous name of current band] See: *Vectis Brass*

**Ryde Concert Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[previous name of current band] See: *Vectis Brass*

**Ryde Literary Institute Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in 1854

**Ryde Rifles Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1900s

**Ryde Town Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Founded in 1858. Active to the late 1920s. Conductor R.A. Cooke 1893-1924

**Ryde Youth Concert Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1980s

**Rye Brass Band** - Sussex

See: *Rye Town Band (1)*

**Rye Harmonic Society Brass Band** - Sussex

See: *Rye Town Band (1)*

**Rye Hill Mission Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active in the 1900s, based at the People's Hall Methodist Mission. It bought the instruments from the defunct Dunston Colliery Band in 1906

**Rye Town Band (1)** - Sussex

Founded in 1857, the original members being taught by Mr Brignell. Active to the mid-1890s. A successor band was formed in 1903

**Rye Town Band (2)** - Sussex

Active from 1903 to the late 1950s. Took part in the Royal Tunbridge Wells and District Band Federation 27th Annual Band Festival (4th Section), 14th May 1955, gaining 1st place and £10 and the Wimshurst Challenge Cup. Playing "The Chieftain" by J.A. Greenwood and adjudicated by Harry Mortimer

**Ryecroft Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in 1895

**Ryecroft Sunday School Brass Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Ryhill and Havercroft Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s, probably a successor band to the Ryhill Silver Band

**Ryhill Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1910s to the early 1960s. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by F.T. Smith.

**Ryhope and District Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the mid-1860s to WW1. Conductor J. Curry in 1869, J. Granville in 1899, J. Lewis in 1913

**Ryhope Brass Band**

See: *Ryhope & District Brass Band*

**Ryhope Colliery Band (1) - Durham**

Active in 1867 (conductor John Curry), 1883 and 1898, but probably folded before or during WW1. Bandmaster Richard Blackburn in 1882. George William Carlton, 27, miner, a member of the band, was killed while walking along the Hartlepool railway line at Ryhope in 1879. His musical instrument was found a hundred yards further up the line.

**Ryhope Colliery Band (2) - Durham**

Formed in 1921. In the 1980s changed its name for a period to Echo Ryhope Colliery Band with sponsorship from the Sunderland Echo newspaper. It had folded by 2000.

**Ryhope Operatic Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1877, conductor R. Blackburn. Still active in 1898

**Ryhope South Bottle Works Band - Durham**

Active in 1871

**Ryhope Temperance Institute Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1904, 1906

**Rylands Memorial Club Brass Band - Manchester, Lancashire**

Active in 1894, 1907

**Rylstone Band - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)**

See: *Shanklin Town Band*

**Ryton Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1862

**S Division Police Brass Band - Hampstead, Middlesex**

Active in 1863. See also B, D, E, G, H, K, L, N, P and T Division Police Brass Bands. Conductor Mr Keighley in 1866

**S.H. and W.R. Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band**

See: *Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band*

**S.J. Clayes' Works Brass Band - Long Eaton, Derbyshire**

See: *Manor House Works Brass Band*

**S.W.T. Woodfalls Silver Band - Wiltshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Trains Woodfalls Band*

**Sabden Brass Band (1) - Lancashire**

Active from the 1850s to the 1880s. A successor band was formed in 1899. Conductor George Moore, solo cornet George Farrow in the 1870/80s

**Sabden Brass Band (2) - Lancashire**

Formed in 1899, conductor Joseph E. Birtwell to 1920. Performed its first march round the village in May 1900. New uniforms in 1920. Conductor Harry Lawson in 1923. Disbanded around 1925. A successor band being formed in 1929

**Sabden Brass Band (3) - Lancashire**

Formed in 1929, conductor Jacob Birtwell. Active into the 1930s. Conductor T. Titterington in 1935. Folded some time during WW2. In 1943 the parish council and trustees agreed to put the instruments into storage and to call in the music, uniforms and other property of the band.

**Sabden Public Band**

See: *Sabden Brass Band*

**Sabrina Brass Band - Shropshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Shrewsbury Brass Band*

**Sacriston Colliery Band - Durham**

[previous name of current band] See: *Craghead Colliery Band*

**Sacrison Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed before 1900 and active up to 1939. Probably folded thenabouts. A successor band was formed in 1967

**Sacrison Institute Band**

See: *Sacrison Colliery Band*

**Sacrison St John's Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1920s

**Sacrison Town Band**

See: *Sacrison Colliery Band*

**Saddleworth and Haybottoms Band**

See: *Saddleworth Brass Band*

**Saddleworth Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s

**Saddleworth Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1915, consisting of players from the various bands in the area, conductor Charles Anderson

**Saddleworth Rifles Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Saffron Walden Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the mid-1840s through to 1869. Conductor Mr Large in 1858

**Saffron Walden Excelsior Band** - Essex

Active in 1880, formed by Fred Pitstow, the first bandmaster, who was succeeded by his brother Ernest Pitstow. The band was active through to WW1. W.J. Auger was a member of the band at the time of his death, falling off a ladder, in 1913.

**Saffron Walden Town Band** - Essex

[current band] - Note: A Saffron Walden Brass Band played for the town's proclamation of King Edward VII in 1901, and for the Rev Latimer Neville's jubilee as rector of Heydon ? he was also Master of Magdalene College at the time

**Saffron Walden Town Band** - Essex

Active from the late 1870s to 1939. Conducted by F. Pitstow in 1906. It was contemporary with the Excelsior Band - both appearing at a massed bands concert in 1915

**Sailors' and Firemen's Poplar Brass Band** - London

Active in 1890

**Sailors' Orphans Boys Band** - Newland, Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor J. Mason in 1884. The band was composed of children from the Port of Hull Society's Sailors' Orphans' Homes, a forerunner of the Newland Orphan Homes which was in existence in the 1920s. Today the Sailors Families Society seems to be the descendant of those earlier Orphans societies.

**Salcombe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1856

**Sale and Ashton Youth Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1960s

**Sale and Ashton-on-Mersey British Legion Band** - Cheshire

Active in the late 1940s

**Sale Brass** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1933 - Former names: Stretford Temperance Band, Stretford Borough Band, Sale Concert Band (1971), Sale Brass Band

**Sale Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sale Brass*

**Sale Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1910s. Bandmaster Mr Hinchliffe in 1907. A successor band (Stretford Band) took the name Sale Brass Band in the early 1970s.

**Sale Concert Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sale Brass*

**Sale Moor Brass Band** - Sale, Cheshire

Active in 1861

**Sale St Anne's Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s

**Sale Village Band**

See: *Sale Brass Band*

**Salem Chapel Silver Band**

Active in the 1930s

**Salem Mission Band** - North Shields, Northumberland

See: *North Shields Salem Mission Band*

**Salem Mission Band** - Sunderland, Durham

See: *Sunderland Salem Mission Band*

**Salesbury Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1887

**Salford Air Raid Wardens Corps Band** - Lancashire

Active during WW2.

**Salford and District (Temperance) Silver Band** - Lancashire

Formed on 18th March 1909.

**Salford Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s

**Salford Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1887 to WW1

**Salford Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1840s to the 1880s

**Salford Central ATC Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1944

**Salford Corporation Employees Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor J. Fraser in 1903

**Salford Cottage Homes Band** - Lancashire

On a picture of the band (probably from the early 1900s) are the lines: "Here at the Homes, there is a band. And the way they play is something grand; There's many a band, that I can tell, Older and bigger, don't play so well."

**Salford Docks Mission Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1909. Active through to the 1920s. In 1914 the band was playing in Taylorson Street when a member of the band emptied the carbide from one of the street lamps down a street grid, and directly afterwards a youth dropped a match down, causing an explosion. William Waters (44) and Arthur Elliott (15), two members of the band, were hit by flying pieces of stone, but after treatment at the hospital they were able to go home.



**Salford Excelsior Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1891

**Salford Iron Works Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to the late 1900s. Supported by Messrs. Mather and Platt's Ironworks in Salford. Conducted by James Holgate in 1884.

**Salford Police Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1903 when it played at the first municipal concert in the Teneriffe Street Hall, Salford. The audience was estimated at over 1,000 and many were unable to get in.

**Salford Post Office Brass Band**

See: *Salford Postmen's Brass Band*

**Salford Postmen's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1880s and 1900s

**Salford Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s

**Salford Public Silver Band**

See: *Salford Silver Band*

**Salford Royal Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1866

**Salford Silver Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1908, conductor Tom Perrin. Active in 1910, when it "relieved the tedium" by playing for the crowds awaiting the return, at Salford Station, of two Salford Rugby Union players from a tour of Australia and New Zealand. Also active in the 1960s and 1970s

**Salford St Luke's Band**

See: *St Luke's Brotherhood Brass Band*

**Salford Tramway Employees Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s, conductor Mr Butler in 1904. Still active in 1908

**Salford Union Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1881 to the 1900s

**Salford Workhouse Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the late 1870s to the early 1890s. Conductor Mr Allen in 1891

**Salisbury Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Salisbury City Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Formed 1934. Conductor J.C. Dyson in 1938. Active through to the mid-1960s

**Salisbury Town Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor W. Collins in 1894. William E. Glen bandmaster at some time prior to 1905.

**Salopian Brass** - Shrewsbury, Shropshire

[current band]

**Salt Union Brass Band** - Weston Point, Cheshire

Active in the 1890s

**Salt Union Ltd. (Winsford Works) Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Saltaire Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1855 by Titus Salt for his employees at the Saltaire Mill, its first conductor was Joseph Paley whose son, John, became a legendary cornet player, playing with bands as

diverse as Black Dyke, situated on the other side of Bradford and Patrick Gilmore's Band in America. Leader W. Turner in 1860. It was also conducted in 1860 by Richard Smith who launched the Champion Brass Band Journal in 1857 and then his music publishing business R Smith and Co. in 1878. A number of local contests were attended up to 1869, bringing in a few prizes. The band then appeared in the Belle Vue September contests of 1872-1874 conducted by John Gladney, gaining a 2nd prize in 1872 and a 5th in 1874. After this it assumed the status of an ordinary village band, though the mills still owned the instruments. Brass Band News reported in March 1894: "Many old contestors will learn with regret that the once famous Saltaire Brass Band is no more, the instruments and all properties having been called in by the Company. So passes away the remains of one of the best bands Yorkshire ever produced."

### **Saltaire Mills Band**

See: *Salts Silver Band*

### **Saltaire Subscription Band**

See: *Salts Silver Band*

### **Saltash Brass Band - Cornwall**

Founded in 1868, instruments costing £60

### **Saltash Town Band (1) - Cornwall**

Formed in 1919 at the Working Men's Club in Saltash. The band was active until the outbreak of the Second World War. Unfortunately, all the band's instruments and equipment were placed on a barge moored in the River Tamar and were lost during a bombing raid. Thereafter the band folded. A successor band was formed in 1975.

### **Saltash Town Band (2) - Cornwall**

[current band] - Founded in 1975

### **Saltash Working Men's Club Brass Band**

See: *Saltash Town Band*

### **Saltburn Brass Band - Saltburn-by-the-Sea, Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active from the late 1860s. Conductor F. Groenings in 1870. Bandmaster William Parsons in 1886.

### **Saltcoats Burgh Band - Ayrshire**

Founded in 1903, conductor W.G. Burgoyne. In August 1903 a cycle parade on behalf of the Band fund raised £14. In April 1904 the bandsmen made their first appearance in their new uniforms. On July 22, 1904 a musical fete and promenade concert, organised by Mr Walter Freer on behalf of Saltcoats Burgh Band Fund, took place in the Holm Plantation on Saturday afternoon. In October 1904 Saltcoats Burgh Band's three-days bazaar realised £476! Conductor J.H. Rimmer in 1906. Still active in 1910

### **Saltley Carriage Works Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1867

### **Saltley Gasworks Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1900

### **Saltley Metropolitan Works Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in the 1910s to the late 1920s. Possibly a successor or continuation of the Saltley Carriage Works Brass Band

### **Saltley Railway Band - Warwickshire**

Active in the 1900s

### **Saltley Reformatory School Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Founded in 1894

**Saltley Works Brass Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Saltley Carriage Works Brass Band*

**Saltney Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in 1860. Conductor Mr Williams in 1862. Still active in 1864

**Saltney Ferry Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1910s

**Saltney Oil Works Band**

See: *Dee Oil Works Band*

**Salton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1851 and 1857

**Salts (Saltaire) Band**

See: *Salts Silver Band*

**Salts Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1932, by Herbert Bowdin Hawley (MD of Hammonds Sauce Works Company, at Shipley). It competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Brass Band News reported in March 1932: "Salts Silver, under the tuition of Mr H B Hawley, are making remarkable progress. This is a newly-formed band of 24 enthusiastic performers who mean business. Their practice-room is in the Royal Caf., Saltaire, kindly provided rent-free by Messrs. Salts of Saltaire. Mr Hawley has gradually built up this combination to his own liking, and is taking them to their first contest at Pudsey on March 25th. Mr Hawley is a local organist and composer, and will not be satisfied with his band until it sounds like his organ. A prize at Pudsey is their determination." The band became a member of the Harrogate and District Brass Band Association, of which Mr Hawley was an official. It was at one of the Association's contests, held in Saltaire in May 1934, that the new band achieved its first win. The band played in the first section, which had an entry of 12 bands, so this was quite an achievement for a two-year-old band. It regularly changed its name, appearing not only as Salts Silver, but also as Saltaire Mills, Saltaire Subscription and Salts (Saltaire). It was offered a broadcast engagement by the BBC in November 1936, when Frank Haigh, a noted Bradford cornet player was playing principal cornet. In 1937 Salts Band provided music for the visit to Shipley of the King and Queen and by now its conductor, 'H B', was proving to be something of a composer, with a number of published marches to his name. In the latter part of 1940 Mr Hawley engaged Noel Thorpe as professional conductor, and in 1945 Harry Grace, a successful Bradford brass band conductor succeeded Noel Thorpe. Early in 1946 HB Hawley decided to form a new junior band. For a short time the juniors and the older band existed side by side, but without Mr Hawley's drive, interest at Salts waned and the band completed its last engagement in July 1946. Several of its members joined the new group, which also acquired the old band's music library and some instruments. This junior band was to become the Hammonds Sauce Works Band

**Sam Smiths Old Brewery Band**

See: *Sherburn-in-Elmet Band*

**Samuelson's Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Messrs Samuelson and Co. Brass Band*

**Sandbach Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1864

**Sandbach Harmonic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1855 to 1859

**Sandbach Volunteers Band** - Cheshire

Active in the early 1900s. Formed by William Bagnall, also known as Bagnall's Band, or "Baggies Band".

**Sanders Independence Band** - Long Buckby, Northamptonshire

Formed around 1875. Conductor W.C. Wills in 1877, A.E. Wills in 1887, W.C. Wills in 1893. Sponsored by William Sanders who ran a shoe factory in the village and used the band for promotional events. However it seems to have been initially based on the Independent Chapel (Congregational) hence the name. Sanders eventually built some assembly rooms for the band to use. These still stand. The band accepted some reed instrumentalists, but reverted back to full brass. In the mid-1890s, due to Sanders no longer being able to guarantee the financial support, the band became the Long Buckby Town Band. Considerable rivalry existed between the Town Band and the Temperance Band. There is a very nice account of a fight between the two bands at an event in Silverstone. In 1940 it merged with Long Buckby Temperance Band to form the Long Buckby Home Guard Band.

**Sandford Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1861 to 1866

**Sandgate Town Band** - Kent

Active in the early 1900s

**Sandhurst Silver Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1908

**Sandiacre Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Sandiacre Ivanhoe Band**

See: *Sandiacre Brass Band*

**Sandiacre Town Band**

See: *Sandiacre Brass Band*

**Sandleheath Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Sandleheath Methodist Band - Note: Formed by Don Marlow

**Sandleheath Methodist Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sandleheath Band*

**Sandleheath Youth Band** - Hampshire

Formed in January 1975

**Sandling Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1862

**Sandown Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1890s to 1920s

**Sandwell Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Black Country Brass*

**Sandwich Tonic Sol Fa Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1867, 1868

**Sandy Brass Band (1)** - Bedfordshire

Active from the early 1860s to the mid-1890s. Conductor Mr Green in 1867

### **Sandy Brass Band (2) - Bedfordshire**

Re-formed in 1899, conductor F. Stacey. Charles J. Kempe bandmaster in 1901-1903, W.A. Kempe conductor from 1904. Mr Seamer conductor in 1920, Tom Hunt in 1922. Disbanded in 1935.

### **Sandy Lane Brass Band - Stalybridge, Cheshire**

Active in 1861, rehearsing in the Floating Light public house in Bridge Street

### **Sandy Town Band**

See: *Sandy Brass Band (2)*

### **Sandy Vale Brass Band - Dukinfield, Cheshire**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

### **Sandycroft Foundry Brass Band - Flintshire**

Active in 1872, conductor A. Rogers

### **Sandye Place School Band**

See: *Sandye Silver Band*

### **Sandye Silver Band - Sandy, Bedfordshire**

The origins of the Band go back to 10 March 1962, when a quartet of musicians at Sandye Place School played for morning assembly under the direction of the music teacher, Peter Kneale. Within a year this grew into Sandye Place School Band, consisting of pupils and teachers. In 1966, when several members of the Band left school, Peter Kneale formed the Sandye Place School Band. In October 1967 the first committee was formed to run the band and in July of the following year the name was changed to Sandye Silver Band. In July 1969 the Band left the further education system and became a fully independent self-supporting organisation. Also in 1969 the Band affiliated to the London and Home Counties Brass Band Association so that band contests could be entered. In 1971, after only two years of competition, the Band qualified for the finals of the National Brass Band Championship (Fourth Section), and finished in eleventh position. On two occasions, in 1968 and 1975, the Band won the Brass Band Class at the Bedfordshire Music Festival. During the early 1970s the Band performed many engagements, both at nearby and distant venues. In 1973 the founder Peter Kneale left and was succeeded by Duncan Wells of Dunstable, a player with Hendon Band. The number of players declined, and with them the number of engagements, but the 1980 season proved to be the busiest to date. In the previous April the Band moved from its birthplace at Sandye Place School to the new Sandy Upper School where rehearsal facilities were more convenient. During the 1980s the Band enjoyed continued success, and was known in its later stages as Prudential Sandye Band, but following the loss of number of key members in 1989 the decision was made to suspend activities and put all equipment and assets into storage. The Band Trustees continued to meet, however, but at the seventh annual general meeting, in March 1997, it was decided that there was no realistic chance of the Band reforming and that the remaining assets should be sold and the Band dissolved. At the final AGM, on 16 March 1998, it was reported that the sale of the instruments and music had raised £3,065. At the same meeting it was decided to lodge the Band's records with the Bedfordshire and Luton Archives and Record Service.

### **Sanger's Wax Works Brass Band**

A professional brass band belonging to the travelling wax works. Active in 1865

### **Sankey's Castle Works Band - Hadley, Shropshire**

Active in the early 1930s, linked to Joseph Sankey and Son Ltd, (metal and ironworks) in Hadley. Disbanded in 1961. A former member recalled: "Brought up in a brass banding

family, the name Sankey's in my early years meant, The Band! In times before T.V. the Sankey's radio broadcasts were a big attraction often coming from the works canteen in Hadley, just down the road from Oakengates. Sounding Brass and Voices, Music While You Work, Marching and Waltzing, and Midland Bandstand were all popular B.B.C. radio programs in the 1940's and 50's. Many contest successes came the bands way, competing in the highest championship sections with conductor Cyril Yorath at the helm. A star quartette of players Ted Baldwin, Ben Thornton on cornets, Gal Mills on horn and Walter Imeson on euphonium were all magnificent instrumentalists and soloists. When I joined the band as a young 16 year old, Sankey's were still at the top, competing at Belle Vue in the British Open, the Midland Area and other competitions. Mr Yorath had moved on, and Capt. Thomas Francis was Musical Director. He would greet people by saying 'shake the hand that has shaken the hand of the King of England and the President of the United States of America.' The Captain was ex Royal Marines Chatham, and a warm hearted gentleman. Whilst continuing to perform at concerts and contests, it came as a shock to be told by the Sankey Works Directors in March 1961, that the company no longer needed a brass band. The final march played at the band's last works Monday lunchtime concert was Colonel Bogey. The bandsmen knew why! Years of top class music making, concerts and Championship Banding thus ended."

**Sanquhar and District Silver Band** - Dumfriesshire

[current band]

**Sanquhar Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active in 1854 to 1866

**Sanvey Gate Mission Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in the late 1880s

**Saracen Brass** - Penryn, Cornwall

Formed by former pupils of Penryn School to continue playing after leaving school.

Active in the 1980s and folded in the late 1980s.

**Sarnian Brass Band** - Isle of Guernsey

Active in 1869, 1870

**Sauchie and District Brass Band** - Clackmannanshire

Active from the early 1890s to the 1930s

**Sauchie Brass Band**

See: *Sauchie and District Brass Band*

**Saul Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1861 to 1865

**Saville Green Wesleyan Mission Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1900s

**Sawbridgeworth Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active from 1865 to the 1930s

**Sawley Brotherhood Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1910s and 1920s

**Sawley Excelsior Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Sawston Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active from 1863 to WW1. Conductor Alfred Start in 1899. Looking remarkably smart in their new uniforms, welcomed returning soldiers from the Boer War at Linton in July

1901, and headed their village Friendly Society parade in July 1902. Possibly a continuation of the Messrs Towgood and Evans' Brass Band

**Sawtry Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active between the 1880s and the 1930s

**Sawtry Temperance Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in the 1890s.

**Saxilby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1868, 1869

**Saxmundham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1858, 1866 and 1898, conductor O.A. Wright

**Saxon Street Brass Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**Saxthorpe and Corpusty Band**

See: *Saxthorpe and Corpusty Band*

**Saxthorpe Village Band**

See: *Saxthorpe and Corpusty Band*

**Sayers Common Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s

**Scalford Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Scammonden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855. The village no longer exists - it now lies under the Scammonden Reservoir which was created in the 1960s. Also known as Dean Head Brass Band (an alternative name for the village)

**Scampston Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Scapegoat Hill Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1854 and still active in 1979, though it probably folded in the following year (1980). That year saw the birth of Vintage Brass - a band originally consisting of members of the Scapegoat Hill Band. Competed in the Junior Shield in 1962, conducted by F. Gledhill. At one time the band had attended a musical competition and was successful in gaining first prize. Celebrations followed and the band returned home to the village. Not wanting to disturb the residents, they removed their boots and tip-toed along. However, they continued to play their instruments at full blast! In an Huddersfield Examiner article of 11 June 1938, the legend is similarly described by James Walton, with the added detail that the band was playing 'See the Conquering Hero Comes' as they tip-toed.

**Scapegoat Hill Fire Brigade Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Scarborough Artillery Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Scarborough Borough Band**

See: *Falsgrave Temperance Band*

**Scarborough Mechanics Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s. Conductor A.J. Beckett, leader W. Bradley in 1860

**Scarborough National Reserve Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Scarborough Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Scarborough Postmen's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Founded in 1887, conductor W.E. Cammish

**Scarborough Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active from the 1860s to the 1900s

**Scarborough Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1930s

**Scarborough Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1890s

**Scarborough Town Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the the 1960s to early 1980s

**Scarcliffe Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the early 1900s

**Scarletwell Street Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Northampton, Northamptonshire  
Founded in December 1887

**Scarr's Shipyard Band**  
See: *Hessle Royal British Legion Band*

**Scholes Albion Brass Band**  
See: *Scholes Brass Band*

**Scholes Brass Band** - near Cleckheaton, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s. Conductor Samuel Bentley in 1860.

**Scholes Brass Band** - near Greasbrough, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1850s to the 1870s

**Scholes Temperance Band** - near Cleckheaton, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s

**Schreiber Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the late 1970s and early 1980s, conducted by Peter Lockett

**Scissett Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s. Also in the 1900s

**Scissett Youth Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1978

**Scole Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1882

**Scorton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Scorton Union Brass Band*

**Scorton Union Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1867 to 1869

**Scotswood and District Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1890s, conductor Thomas Woods in 1894

**Scotswood Methodist Church Temperance Band**  
See: *Scotswood Temperance Band*

**Scotswood Shipyard Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1883. In 1916 it was renamed the Munition Workers Band, under the baton of H. Bell (ex bandmaster of Dinnington Colliery)

**Scotswood Temperance Band** - Northumberland  
Active in 1896 and still playing in 1933



### **Scotswood United Methodist Brass Band**

See: *Scotswood Temperance Band*

### **Scotswood Workmen's Band**

See: *Scotswood Shipyard Brass Band*

### **Scott and Limb's Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1860. In 1864 it combined with the Denman's Head Band. At the time of the merger the players included: B Scott (conductor of Scott and Limb's), Jas. Handley, E. Dennis, S Cauldwell, H. Oscroft, E. Handley, S. Hall, W. Green, A. Caunt J. Naylor (well-known as "Spring"), W. Bryan, G. Scott S. Oldham, J. Searson, E. Limb, and Jos. Dennis (conductor of Denman's Head).

### **Scott Street Chapel Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1901, conductor T. Norman

### **Scotter Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Scotter Brass Band was started by Charles Hill in the early 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Harsley in 1907. Membership slowly declined until the it was disbanded sometime after the year 2000. Briefly sponsored in the late 1980s and early 1990s by the Merrick building firm.

### **Scotter Silver Band**

See: *Scotter Brass Band*

### **Scottish Brewers (Newtongrange) Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *Newtongrange Silver Band*

### **Scottish Co-op Band** - Lanarkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band*

### **Scottish CWS Band** - Lanarkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band*

### **Scottish Dyes Band** - Grangemouth, Stirlingshire

Band linked to the Scottish Dyes company, set up in 1919 by James Morton. In 1928 the company's assets were acquired by the British Dyestuffs Corporation, which became the Duestuffs Division of I.C.I. The band was later known as I.C.I. Recreational Band

### **Scottish Gas Board Band** - Bellshill, Lanarkshire

Active from the 1940s through to the 1990s. Rename Milnwood Concert Brass c. 1981, and then Bellshill and District Band c.1991

### **Scott's Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1860s

### **Scremerston Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from 1860 to the 1950s. Conductor R. Balmer in 1862

### **Scunthorpe Borough British Legion Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1920s to the 1980s

### **Scunthorpe Brass Band**

See: *Scunthorpe Subscription Brass Band*

### **Scunthorpe Christian Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Robert Castle in 1903

### **Scunthorpe District Total Abstinence Brass Band**

See: *Scunthorpe Christian Temperance Band*

### **Scunthorpe Rifles Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to 1890s

### **Scunthorpe Royal British Legion Band**

See: *Scunthorpe Borough British Legion Band*

**Scunthorpe Subscription Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor E. Theaker in 1903, J.H. Markham in 1904

**Scunthorpe Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1896, conductor J. Brown. Conductor George Hawkins in 1899, bandmaster Dan Leeman in 1907

**Scunthorpe Total Abstinence Band**

See: *Scunthorpe Temperance Band*

**Scunthorpe Town Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Scunthorpe Volunteers Band**

See: *Scunthorpe Rifles Brass Band*

**Sea View and St Helen's Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

See: *St Helen's Brass Band*

**Seacombe Victoria Brass Band** - Cheshire

Founded in 1903, bandmaster T. Buckle

**Seaford and Newhaven Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1880s

**Seaford Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and the 1900s

**Seaford British Legion Band** - Sussex

Active in the late 1940s and early 1950s

**Seaford Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1922

**Seaford Silver Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1960s

**Seaforth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1861, 1862

**Seaham Bottle Works Band**

See: *Seaham Harbour Bottle Works Band*

**Seaham Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1854

**Seaham Colliery Band**

Active in 1880

**Seaham Ex-Sailors and Soldiers Band** - Durham

Active in 1882

**Seaham Harbour Bottle Works Band** - Durham

Formed in 1866. Active through to the 1910s. Conductor George Steele in 1879. Based at John Candlish's Bottle Works. Also known as Londonderry Bottle Works Band

**Seaham Harbour Catholic Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1899. Active in the 1900s. Bandmaster Luke Walby Wright in 1907

**Seaham Harbour Town Band** - Durham

Active from the 1860s to the 1920s

**Seaham Philharmonic Brass**

See: *Seaham Town Band*

**Seaham Town Band** - Durham

Formed in 1985, changed name to Seaham Philharmonic Brass in 1989. It twice qualified for the National Finals before folding in 2004

**Seaham Victoria Band** - Durham

Active in 1853

**Seaham Volunteer Band** - Durham

Active in 1906

**Seamen's Bethel Silver Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in 1948

**Seamer Brass Band** - near Scarborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1865 to 1869

**Seaton Brass Band**

See: *Seaton Silver Band*

**Seaton Burn Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Seaton Burn Colliery Band*

**Seaton Burn Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in January 1867, conductor T.S. Watson. Played for the cutting of the sod at a new colliery at Dinnington in August 1867. Still active in 1874

**Seaton Burn Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

See: *Seaton Burn Colliery Band*

**Seaton Delaval Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from the 1850s to the 1910s. Conductor George Scott in 1865, Mr Smith in 1867, J. Mason in 1869/1884, J.R. Shotten in 1894

**Seaton Delaval Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1890s and folded in the 1950s

**Seaton Delaval Saxhorn Band**

See: *Seaton Delaval Brass Band*

**Seaton Delaval Temperance Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1859, conductor Mr Wood

**Seaton Hirst Excelsior Band** - Ashington, Northumberland

Formed in 1906. Later known as North Seaton Colliery Band and North Seaton Workmen's Prize Band. Still active in 1960.

**Seaton Silver Band** - Cumberland

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. In April 1930 it held a "sacred quartette contest" for band members. "The test piece was The Evening Prayer, and each quartette was under the conductorship of Mr. Wm. J. Smith. The judging was by popular card vote, the result of which was: 1. John Donnelly, jnr. (flugel), Donald Coulthard (repiano), Wm. Banton (baritone), 101 points. 2. W. Bell's B. Quartette, 92 points. No one was successful in the competition for placing the first five, but Messrs, Harry Donnelly and Wm. Osborne returned the best cards, and the prize was divided between them".

**Seaton Sluice Bottle Works Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Hartley Bottle Works Brass Band*

**Seaton Sluice Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1850s and 1860s - possibly linked to the bottle works in the town. Conductor Mr Grey in 1864

**Seaton Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1867

**Seaton Town Band** - Devon

Formed in the 1890s. Conductor T. Dixon in 1899. Bandmaster in 1926 was T. Rodgers

**Seavington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1869 to 1872

**Seavington St Michael Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Seavington Brass Band*

**Sedbergh Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s to the 1870s. There may have been a gap with it reforming in the 1890s. In the early 1900s there was 2 years fund raising to buy uniforms. They played at functions around the district. It is possible that it developed from the Sedbergh Volunteers, the Militia, as there is an overlap of men in both groups, but that could be coincidence in a small town. There was a picture and some information printed in The Westmorland Gazette March 12 1955.

**Sedburgh Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1999

**Sedgley Village Brass and Reed Band** - Staffordshire

Active around 1920

**Sedlescombe Band** - Sussex

Active in 1914

**Seghill Brass Band**

See: *Seghill Saxhorn Band*

**Seghill Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1890s. Amalgamated with Beamish Colliery Band around 1907.

**Seghill Saxhorn Band** - Northumberland

Active from the 1870s to the 1920s. Later known as Seghill Brass Band

**Seghill Temperance Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1911, conductor J. Boutland. Active in 1915

**Selby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1840 to 1867

**Selby Model Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Selby Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Performed at the Eastrington Show in 1897. Bandmaster T. Clarkson in 1902

**Selby Shipyard Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1924, when on 20th December the County Chief Constable's Office, East Riding of Yorkshire, granted the Band permission to play and make collections in the surrounding villages.

**Selby Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1905

**Selby Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Selkirk Brass Band (1)** - Selkirkshire

Active in 1861. Folded prior to a successor band forming in 1864

**Selkirk Brass Band (2)** - Selkirkshire

Formed in late 1864, conductor Mr Amers. Treasurer Basil Henderson in 1866. William Inglis called for subscriptions in 1868 to replace some ageing instruments. Presumed to have folded in the early 1880s.

**Selkirk Brass Band (3) - Selkirkshire**

Formed in May 1883 and commenced contesting in 1887, during which first year of competition entered three contests and won three prizes. Folded prior to 1897 when the current Selkirk Silver Band (then named Selkirk Silver Jubilee Band) was formed.

**Selkirk Royal Burgh Silver Band - Selkirkshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Selkirk Silver Band*

**Selkirk Silver Band - Selkirkshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1897 - Former names: Selkirk Silver Jubilee Band - Note: The band's full title is Selkirk Royal Burgh

**Selkirk Silver Jubilee Band - Selkirkshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Selkirk Silver Band*

**Selkirk Town Band**

See: *Selkirk Brass Band (2)*

**Sellers College Brass**

See: *Sellers International Brass Band*

**Sellers Engineering Band**

See: *Sellers International Brass Band*

**Sellers International Brass Band - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Founded in January of 1986, at one point the band was led by Philip McCain. Its original name was Huddersfield Tecol Band and in November of 1987, just one year after its formation, the band's name was changed to Sellers College Brass. It was again changed to The Sellers Engineering Band and finally Sellers International Band, a name which lasted and was passed on to the junior band, the Sellers International Youth Band, in 1998. Unfortunately, in 2007, the band folded, largely due to the loss of sponsorship. Sponsorship was lost because of a failed attempt to win the Yorkshire Area Brass Band Contest and as a result, mismanagement claims were made and internal conflict and chaos ensued.

**Selly Oak Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1870s

**Selly Oak Victoria Brass Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the early 1900s through to 1916, bandmaster Mr White in 1906

**Selston and Codnor Park Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1854

**Selston Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the 1850s through to the 1890s

**Selston Excelsior Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1881

**Selston Imperial Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1904, 1908

**Selston Silver Prize Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the early 1900s

**Selston United Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in the early 1900s

**Semer Union Workhouse Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in 1852. The band consisted of 10 boys

### **Senghenydd Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Founded around 1890. Active in the 1900s through to 1913, conductor Jim Woodhead up to 1906. On 14 October 1913 an explosion ripped through the mine workings at Senghenydd Colliery. The disaster claimed the lives of 439 miners and one rescuer. Included in the fatalities were 14 of the 24 members of the Senghenydd Colliery Band, which had competed at the Crystal Palace only a few weeks before. One of its competitor bands, Cambridge Town Band, organised a fund raising concert in November to aid the miners' relief fund. The colliery was also known as Universal Colliery

### **Senghenydd Colliery Band**

See: *Senghenydd Brass Band*

### **Settle Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1850. During its time it has been a Town Band, a Temperance Band and a militia band. At some point, Langcliffe Band amalgamated with the Settle musicians. The band amalgamated with the Giggleswick Band in 1952 to form the Giggleswick and Settle Band.

### **Settle Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Settle Brass Band*

### **Seven Sisters Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1890s to the late 1950s. Known as Seven Sister Temperance Band in its early years

### **Seven Sisters Temperance Band**

See: *Seven Sisters Brass Band*

### **Sevenoaks Temperance Band** - Kent

Founded in 1905 by R. Wells, who was also the bandmaster, folding in 1911. Founded . The band's president, Dr R. J. Dick, objected strongly to the variations of the so-called Welsh National Anthem "Ar Hyd y Nos" at an annual concert, his outburst causing the piece never to be played again by the band. The band's professional conductor was G. Dimmock.

### **Sevenoaks Town Band** - Kent

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Conductor T. Hollans in 1891

### **Severalls Institution Band** - Essex

Formed by patients and staff at the Severalls Hospital in Colchester, a large psychiatric hospital. It was active prior to WW1 and was still active after WW2, in 1946. Took part in the Colchester Carnival in 1934, conducted by Charles Hammond.

### **Severn Sub-Marine Mining Volunteers Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in 1888, conducted by A. Robinson

### **Severn Tunnel Band** - Caldicot, Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in 1923 - Note: Original members worked for the GWR at the nearby station and engine sheds.

### **Seworgan Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

### **Seybormen Temperance Band**

Active in 1892 when it gained third prize in the Neath Eisteddfod brass band contest.

### **Sguborwen Temperance Band**

See: *Aberdare Town Band*

### **Shaddongate Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active in 1886, conductor D. Glaister

**Shadsworth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1855

**Shadwell Industrial School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1887

**Shaftesbury Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1866

**Shaftesbury Comrades Band** - Dorset

Formed after WW1, in 1919, and active through to the early 1930s

**Shaftesbury Crusade Silver Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

Possibly active in the early 1900s and 1920s. Active in the 1960/70s. They were Championship Section in the late 1970s and came in the top 4 in the National Finals. By the end of the 70s the band had lost a lot of players to Sun Life and Soundwell the two main top section bands in Bristol at that time. The band folded in early 1980s.

**Shaftesbury Hall Band**

See: *London City Mission Band*

**Shaftesbury Private Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1870s, secretary John Hansford in 1873

**Shaftesbury Schools Band** - Bisley, Surrey

Active in the 1900s to 1920s

**Shaftesbury Street Wesleyan Mission Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor J.W. Kilburn in 1902, bandmaster Mr Edwards in 1906

**Shaftesbury Town Brass Band** - Dorset

[previous name of current band] See: *Shaftesbury Town Silver Band*

**Shaftesbury Town Silver Band** - Dorset

[current band] - Formed in 1898 as Shaftesbury Town Brass Band

**Shaftesbury Training Ship Band** - Grays, Essex

See: *Training Ship Shaftesbury Band*

**Shakespearean Brass Band** - Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire

See: *Stratford-upon-Avon Brass Band*

**Shaldon Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1905, conductor Mr Pocock

**Shaldon Temperance Band** - Devon

On 22 June 1848: "Shaldon Regatta took place on the 15th inst, when flags of all colours were hoisted the whole length of the Strand facing the water, and also on the vessels and boats in the harbour, having a pretty appearance. The Shaldon Temperance Band was in attendance." Still active in 1885, conductor W. Pedrick

**Shalford Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Shank House Brass Band** - Cramlington, Northumberland

See: *Shankhouse Colliery Band*

**Shankhouse Colliery Band** - Cramlington, Northumberland

Active from the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor Mr Potts in 1862, R. Gillies in 1865

**Shanklin Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active from the early 1860s to the 1880s

**Shanklin Town Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Formed before 1895, and also known as the Rylstone Band at one point, it disbanded in the 1930s. Conductor Mr Sterenight in 1900, F.H. Taylor bandmaster in 1906

**Shanklin Town Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Shap Brass Band** - Westmorland

Founded in 1883

**Shap Silver Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1930s, probably did not survive WW2.

**Shapcott and Sons Brass Band** - Devon

Formed in the late 1840s or 1850s. Consisting of John Shapcott and his family.

**Shardlow Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1898. Active through to the 1930s. Conductor G. Whiting in 1930. Samuel Barratt was the band's treasurer from 1898 to 1929.

**Shardlow United Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1930s

**Sharlston Brass Band (1)**

See: *Sharlston Old Brass Band*

**Sharlston Brass Band (2)**

See: *Sharlston Colliery Band*

**Sharlston Colliery (Mobil) Band**

See: *Sharlston Colliery Band*

**Sharlston Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1980s. Merged with Yorkshire Evening Post Band, but then disbanded in 2002

**Sharlston Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Sharnbrook Brass Band (1)** - Bedfordshire

Founded in 1862, conductor Mr Deane. Conductor C. Cooke in 1867. A successor band was formed in 1904

**Sharnbrook Brass Band (2)** - Bedfordshire

Was "reformed" in 1904. Took part in the Coronation parade in 1911. Records of the band, from 1903-1935, are held by Bedfordshire and Luton Archives and Record Service

**Sharnford Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1880s

**Sharnford Silver Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Sharpness and District Prize Band**

Sharpness Temperance Band was formed before 1900. It had its problems - the bandsmen, many of whom were port workers at the local docks, used to practise at the Sharpness Union Church. They liked the odd tippie or two and an old minute book disclosed that this was classed as breaking temperance, and many of the band members were asked to leave the band; soon membership became nearly nonexistent - more of the bandsmen were to be found at the pub instead of at the rehearsal! An extraordinary meeting was called and it was decided that the Band's name needed to be changed, and it was renamed the Sharpness and District Prize Band. The start of World War I saw the Band disperse with many of the players playing in military bands, but after the War they reunited and became even stronger; a big attraction was a man named Jack Portlock He was the Band's drummer and was known for the way he used to throw his batons when he marched; this earned him the name "Gentleman Jack". This band finally gave way to



another band under the baton of Matt Francis and then Fred Smith. Many of the existing players stayed, including Cliff Priday on solo cornet and the masterly euphonium player George Short. The band was enjoying local success when the outbreak of World War II saw the group disband. The instruments and the band room were sold and £600 was invested in War Bonds until a new band could be formed. After the war, many attempts were made to reform the band, but they were all doomed to failure. A new Sharpness Band was eventually formed in 1970

**Sharpness and District Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1970

**Sharpness Temperance Band**

See: *Sharpness and District Prize Band*

**Sharrow Grange Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s to the 1950s. Consisted of blind players. Conductor J.H. Argyle in 1939

**Shaw and Royton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1980s

**Shaw Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1871

**Shaw Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1868 - held its first public performance in October that year. Connected to the Shaw Church Schools

**Shaw Field Brass Band** - near Slaithwaite, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858 to 1868

**Shaw Mills Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1885 with some of the members of the disbanded Burnt Yates Old Band. Folded in 1900.

**Shaw Side Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1873

**Shaw Social Club Brass Band** - Newbury, Berkshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Shaw Youth Band** - Lancashire

[current band]

**Shawbury Industrial School Band** - Shustoke, Warwickshire

Active in the early 1900s to 1911. Used to march through the country lanes and into Fillongley village to Church on a Sunday. The Shustoke Industrial School opened in 1868, later changing its name to Shawbury Industrial School.

**Shawbury Juvenile Band**

See: *Shawbury Industrial School Band*

**Shawclough and Spotland Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1905, bandmaster P. Flood. Conductor Fred Wilcock in 1914. New instruments bought in 1911, costing £400, president S. Turner at that time. Active through to the 1930s

**Shawclough Brass Band**

See: *Shawclough and Spotland Band*

**Shawfield Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Shaw Field Brass Band*

**Shawford and Twyford Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1907

**Shaw's Excelsior Brass Band** - Horncastle?, Lincolnshire

Report from August 1888: "Horncastle Horse Fair - On Monday evening Shaw's Excelsior Brass Band played in the Bull Ring, and the Rifle Corps Band under Robert Nicholson gave a promenade concert; there was dancing in Major Armstrong's grounds in South Street (later Hamerton Gardens)."

**Sheaf Works Prize Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1920s. Associated with Ruston, Proctor & Co. factory which produced locomotives and steam shovels.

**Sheen and Longnor Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1867

**Sheen Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1850 or earlier, still active in the 1890s. However a "new" brass band in new uniforms performed in 1856. Bandmaster Mr Woolley from 1850 to 1893. Played at the Sheen celebrations for Queen Victoria's Jubilee of 1887

**Sheepbridge and Whittington Brass Band** - Whittington Moor, Derbyshire

Founded in 1882 as Whittington Moor Brass Band, conductor Thomas Cooper. Active through to the 1900s. Conductor George Brown in 1901. Also known as Whittington Moor Brass Band

**Sheepbridge and Whittington Moor Brass Band** - Derbyshire

[no information]

**Sheepbridge Coal and Iron Works Band** - Whittington Moor, Derbyshire

See: *Sheepbridge Works Band*

**Sheepbridge Works Brass Band** - Whittington Moor, Derbyshire

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1950s

**Sheepridge and Deighton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Deighton and Sheepridge Brass Band*

**Sheepridge and Hasland Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Chesterfield and Hasland Brass Band*

**Sheepscar Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Sheepscar Leather Works Brass Band*

**Sheepscar Leather Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858. Conductor T. Williams in 1860.

**Sheepscar Spanish Leather Works Sax Horn Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Sheepscar Leather Works Brass Band*

**Sheepscombe Brass Band**

Formed around 1900

**Sheepshed Brass Band**

See: *Shepshed Brass Band*

**Sheffield Artillery Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Sheffield Borough Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1855, leader Mr Wigfall, and the 1880s. Conductor John Joseph William Jubb in 1883

**Sheffield City Police Band**

See: *Sheffield Police Band*

**Sheffield Corporation Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1936

**Sheffield Corporation Health Department Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. First public performance in 1906, conductor W.T. Beswick. Conductor W.H. Hudson in 1912

**Sheffield Corporation Tramways and Motors Band**

See: *Sheffield Transport Brass Band*

**Sheffield Corporation Transport Brass Band**

See: *Sheffield Transport Brass Band*

**Sheffield Corporation Waterworks Band**

See: *Sheffield Waterworks Brass Band*

**Sheffield Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1875

**Sheffield Health Department Band**

See: *Sheffield Corporation Health Department Band*

**Sheffield Imperial Brass Band**

See: *Sheffield Temperance Band*

**Sheffield L.M.S. Railway Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1948

**Sheffield Midland Railway Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1903 and 1906

**Sheffield Order of Druids Band**

See: *Druids Brass Band*

**Sheffield Police Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1864 (obtained its instruments in January that year), instructor Herr Stradiot, disbanded in the 1930s. Fred Parkinson bandmaster in 1905-1912. Conductor A.W. Lamb in 1906

**Sheffield Prince of Wales Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the late 1870s to 1890s, based at Masbrough.

**Sheffield Recreation Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**Sheffield Recreation Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and the 1900s. Also in the 1960s. Bandmaster W.T. Bestwick in 1895, Arnold Bagshaw in 1904, D.C. Bargery in 1905, H. Kelly in 1916

**Sheffield St Margaret's Band**

See: *St Margaret's Church Brass Band*

**Sheffield Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor J.P. Davison in 1893, T.P. Dawson in 1896, W. Hanson in 1900. Renamed Sheffield Imperial Band in 1907. Conductor J.P. Davison in 1912. Still active in 1919

**Sheffield Tramways Brass Band**

See: *Sheffield Transport Brass Band*

**Sheffield Transport Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1900s to the 1960s. Also known as Sheffield Tramways Band, Sheffield Corporation Transport/Tramways Band. Conductor J. Lundy in 1912

**Sheffield Victoria Hall Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Sheffield Victoria Station Brass Band**

*See: Mexborough Plant Band*

**Sheffield Waterworks Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1900s to WW1. Conductor T. Williamson in 1902

**Shefford and Clifton Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1867

**Shefford Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. A successor band was formed in 1951. Conductor E. Cheshire in 1906, C.C. Harwood in 1907

**Shefford Town Band (1)**

*See: Shefford Brass Band*

**Shefford Town Band (2)** - Bedfordshire

Formed in December 1951, conductor W.H. Adams. Still active in the mid-1950s

**Shelford and Ratcliffe Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1867

**Shelley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850 to the early 1900s. New instruments in 1869. Willie Kaye, b. 1867 Newsome, Huddersfield, was a cornet player and bandmaster for Shelley Brass Band in the 1890's.

**Shelley United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1869

**Shelton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s

**Shelton Colliery Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1854

**Shenfield Band** - Essex

Active in 1908

**Shenley and Loughton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1887

**Shenley Fields Cottage Homes Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1915 - but it lost its whole bass section due to enlistment.

**Shenstone Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1906

**Shenstone Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1896

**Shepcott Family Band**

Active in 1851. A travelling musical act consisting of brass band and saxhorns

**Shepherd Building Group Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1903 - Former names: York Cocoa Works Band, Rowntree's Cocoa Works Band, Rowntree Works Band, Rowntree Mackintosh Band, Rowntrees Band (to 2004) - Note: Formed from former members of the Groves Wesleyan Mission Band

**Shepherd's Bush Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1930s

**Shepley Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

### **Shepley Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

The earliest record of the band is 1893 at a concert in St Paul's National School, where the best tickets were priced at 2 shillings. The band was then known as Shepley United Brass Band implying that the band had merged at some point with another band - it, or its predecessor, may have been in existence in 1872 when an brass band contest took place in the village. The band promoted its own brass band contest in 1896. In 1898 there was another concert at St Paul's National School, this time featuring a number of local artistes and including John Paley as Solo Cornet. He had been a member of the Gilmore Champion Military Band of The World based in St Louis, USA and Principal Cornet with Black Dyke closer to home. The 'humourist' in the concert was Walter Matthews, who played trombone in the band. There is little photographic evidence of the band, however Elijah Moorhouse, a blacksmith who lived on The Knowle, was photographed around 1900 standing alongside a magnificent bass drum with the legend 'Shepley United Brass Band'. A couple of photographs show Shepley Band members at the annual School Feast at Shepley Marsh in 1909 and the centre of the village (The Bridge) in 1911. The band folded in 1926.

### **Shepley Brass Band (3) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1977 and converted to a concert (brass/wind) band in 1995.

### **Shepley Flax Mills Brass Band - Audenshaw, Lancashire**

Active in 1866. The Shepley Mills were operated by Crawford Rogerson & Co.

### **Shepley United Brass Band**

See: *Shepley Brass Band (2)*

### **Sheppey Boys Silver Prize Band - Isle of Sheppey, Kent**

Active from the 1920s to the early 1950s

### **Sheppey Silver Band - Isle of Sheppey, Kent**

Active from the early 1950s. Possibly a continuation of the Sheppey Boys Silver Band. Took part in the Royal Tunbridge Wells and District Band Federation 27th Annual Band Festival (3rd Section), 14th May 1955, gaining 2nd place and £5, playing "Overture: Lustspiel" by Keler Bela, adjudicated by Harry Mortimer. At one time the bandmaster was Mr. Noakes (of the garage family; having as a showroom and workshops the old music hall next to the Crown Pub).

### **Shepreth Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Formed in 1923 by Stephen Buller, a local nurseryman. Its first engagement was the opening and dedication of the War Memorial at Meldreth. The band, which consisted of all local people and practised in the school, was particularly busy at harvest-time when they would be performing around the farms in the area and at thanksgiving services. Disbanded prior to the Second World War. An earlier band began in the 1880's as a military-style band with woodwind as well as brass. This band may have been the direct forerunner of Shepreth Brass Band.

### **Shepshed Brass Band (1) - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s

### **Shepshed Brass Band (2)**

See: *Shepshed Town Band*

### **Shepshed Garibaldi Brass Band - Leicestershire**

See: *Shepshed Brass Band (1)*

**Shepshed Town Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor C. Kirby in 1893, G. Elliott in 1897, E. Hales in 1900.

**Shepton Mallet Brass Band**

See: *Shepton Mallet Town Band*

**Shepton Mallet Excelsior Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s to the mid-1930s. Bandmaster was Mr. H. Rowsell in 1924

**Shepton Mallet Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1867

**Shepton Mallet Town Band** - Somerset

Active from the early 1860s to the 1980s

**Shepton Mallet Union Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1861, a boys brass band from the union workhouse, aged 6 to 14.

**Shepton Mallet Union Juvenile Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Shepton Mallet Union Brass Band*

**Shepton Montague Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1868

**Sherborne Excelsior Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Sherborne Town Band** - Dorset

Active from the 1880s to the mid-1920s. Secretary W.J. Newport in 1882. Conductor S. Beaton in 1906. A successor band was formed in 1961

**Sherborne Town Band** - Dorset

[current band] - Founded in 1961

**Sherburn and District Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1990s. Renamed the Buckrose Brass Band, folded in late 2010.

**Sherburn Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1850

**Sherburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the late 1880s through 1910. Bandmaster in 1905, W. Pinkney

**Sherburn Hill Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s, folded in the 1960s

**Sherburn Old Boys Band**

See: *Sherburn-in-Elmet Band*

**Sherburn-in-Elmet Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the late 1940s or early 1950s, known as Sherburn Old Boys Band. National Service saw it's demise at the end of the 1950s. It was revived by Frank Fenton, Eric North, Charlie Lund, Eric Irwin and others in the late 1960s. It was always a very friendly band and, despite being a bit of a beer and baccy outfit, did well in local concerts. Fresh blood came in from the high school band thanks to Graham Walker ex Copper Works. Their conductor in the 1970s was Bob Thomas, who took up the baton at the age of 21. The band had its own bus at one time, driven and maintained by the bandsmen. Unofficial concerts were performed at the east coast resorts and a collection was taken for diesel and ale! In the 1970's the band obtained smart dark green uniforms - the ones from the 60s seemed to have been designed by committee, as everything clashed. They were described by one bandsman as "being something worn by a rear-admiral in the Ruritanian Navy". the band gained sponsorship from Sam Smith's

Brewery and were renamed Sam Smiths Old Brewery Band around 1981. The band folded in the late 1980s.

**Sherburn-in-Elmet High School Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the late 1970s to the late 1980s

**Sheringham Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s

**Sheringham Temperance Band** - Norfolk

Formed in 1923. Merged with Cromer Boys Band in 1956 to form Cromer and Sheringham Silver Band. Conductor F. Wallwork in the 1930s

**Sheringham Temperance Junior Band**

See: *Sheringham Youth Centre Brass Band*

**Sheringham Youth Centre Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the late 1940s. Also known as Sheringham Temperance Junior Band

**Sherington Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1860

**Sherston Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1863

**Sherwood Forest Brass** - Mansfield, Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 2000 - Former names: Thoresby Colliery Youth Brass Band

**Sherwood Foresters' Brass Band**

See: *Royal Sherwood Foresters' Militia Band*

**Sherwood Harmonic Brass Band**

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Old Harmonic Brass Band*

**Sherwood Primitive Methodist Mission Band**

See: *Llwynpia Sherwood Mission Band*

**Sherwood Rangers Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor W. Chatterton in 1864. The Worksop Journal reported that on Whit Monday 1856, when three Friendly Societies formed a procession, three Bands took part. After the procession to the Parish Church and Divine Service, they dined at various hostelries. The Old Abbey Club dined at the Corn Exchange where Mr Marshall of the Greyhound Inn catered for 240 persons. The Mosbro' Band attended and played appropriate airs after each toast. The Golden Ball Friendly Society dined in their large room.... and the Sherwood Rangers Band contributed to the pleasure of the day. The Wheat Sheaf Club dined at the club room of the Wheat Sheaf Inn, and the Sutton Brass Band very much delighted the Society with their performances.

**Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry (TA) Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire

Active in the mid-1960s

**Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry Band**

See: *Sherwood Rangers Band*

**Shettleston Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from 1863. Around 1872 Shettleston had a first class Brass Band. It was called "Pricky Mair Band". It was composed of Lawsons, Cunninghams, Allans, McBride, Dick, Carey, etc. "Dandy Allan", as he was styled, was a handsome man over 6 ft, wore a Glengarry bonnet and the ribbons hanging down his shoulder with a staff he looked like a Drum Major, and he followed the Band everywhere. The band were in great demand at that period for excursions, etc. but it took a day and a half for an excursion. They had to leave at 5 a.m. in the morning, play in Bridgeton, through Glasgow Green to the

Broomielaw and return about 11 or 12 at night. No conveyance of any kind then. On the first day of the year 1900 and the new Century, the Shettleston Band arranged a march through the town and the Bells struck 12, the Band marched through the Main Street, etc. (from the reminiscences of Dan McAleer - October 1930). In 1879 it took part in a procession in August to inaugurate the Kilmarnock Burns Monument and Kay Park, accompanying the Foresters Lodge. Conductor Mr Fortin in 1892

#### **Shettleston Public Temperance Band**

See: *Shettleston Brass Band*

#### **SheviocK Prize Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1913 - it folded about the end of the first war when the vicar who inspired it and trained it left the parish.

#### **Shieldhill Public Band**

See: *Shieldhill Silver Band*

#### **Shieldhill Silver Band** - Stirlingshire

Formed in the 1880s and still active in the 1950s. Conductor Walter Heaps in 1895, John Wotherspoon in 1896. Walter Heaps was the principal cornet player in 1901.

#### **Shields Garibaldi Band**

See: *South Shields Garibaldi Band*

#### **Shifnal Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1938

#### **Shifnal Coronation Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

#### **Shifnal Prince of Wales Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1860s

#### **Shifnal Volunteers Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1890s

#### **Shilbottle Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Conductor Charles Johnson in the mid 1880s.

#### **Shilbottle Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in 1891

#### **Shildon British Railways Band** - Durham

Formed in 1937. Later it became Shildon LNER Works Band and then Shildon British Railways Band. In 1937 the President of the band was W. Wells Hood D.S.O., and the Musical Director was T. Collinson B.B.C.M. During 1937 it won 10 first prizes, 6 challenge cups and 11 medals. A report in 1848 noted that a Shildon Works Band was "supplying music at a social function which included influential people such as Timothy Hackworth and Henry Pease." The band had folded by the early 1980s when the Shildon Works was closed.

#### **Shildon Community Band** - Durham

See: *South Durham Industries Brass Band*

#### **Shildon Juvenile Band** - Durham

See: *New Shildon Juvenile Temperance Band*

#### **Shildon L.N.E.R. Works Silver Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon British Railways Band*

#### **Shildon LNER Works Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon British Railways Band*



**Shildon Saxhorn Band (1)** - Durham

See: *New Shildon Saxhorn Band*

**Shildon Saxhorn Band (2)** - Durham

See: *Shildon Town Band*

**Shildon Silver Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon Town Band*

**Shildon Temperance Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon Town Band*

**Shildon Town Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1937

**Shildon Town Band** - Durham

Formed in 1890s as Shildon Saxhorn Band. When a debt of the band was paid off it changed its name to Shildon Wesleyan Band, Shildon Temperance Band, then Shildon Silver Band. Renamed as Shildon Town Band in 1937. Folded in the late 1990s. Also known as Shildon Town (Suntravel) Band in the mid-1980s

**Shildon Town Suntravel Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon Town Band*

**Shildon Wesleyan Band** - Durham

See: *Shildon Town Band*

**Shildon Works Brass Band (1)** - Durham

Active in 1866

**Shildon Works Brass Band (2)** - Durham

See: *Shildon British Railways Band*

**Shilton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Shincliffe Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1862

**Shiney Row and District Silver Prize Band** - Durham

Active from the 1890s through to the 1930s. Conductor George How in 1894

**Shiney Row Brass Band**

See: *Shiney Row and District Silver Prize Band*

**Shiney Row Temperance Band**

See: *Shiney Row and District Silver Prize Band*

**Shinfield and Three Mile Cross Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1930s

**Shinfield Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor Mr Wheeler in 1885, T. Wicks in 1904. Still active in 1899

**Shipley Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1850s to the early 1860s

**Shipley Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed around 1866, active through to WW1. Secretary George Lake in 1874.

Bandmaster Marshall Roberts in 1902

**Shipley Canal Ironworks Brass Band**

See: *Canal Ironworks Band*

**Shipley Colliery Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

### **ShIPLEY Gospel Mission Band**

See: *ShIPLEY Temperance Band*

### **ShIPLEY Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s, conductor Sam Simpson in 1891. Also known as ShIPLEY Gospel Mission Band

### **ShIPSTON Town Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1912 - Note: Shipston Band was formed in 1912 as the result of a bet between Mr. Charles Holman and Mr. Frank Parsons. Mr. Holman, a former military band master, bet Mr. Parsons that he could train a band within six weeks fit enough to march through the streets of Shipston. Six weeks to the day the band duly marched, finishing in the square and pausing at each corner to play a waltz- It was reported that by the time the band returned to the square only two players were still playing, namely Charles Holman and the bass drum, but Charles Holman was adjudged to have won his bet and the band has been in existence ever since.

### **ShIPSTON-on-Stour Brass Band**

Active in 1914

### **ShIPTON Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the late 19th and early 20th centuries

### **ShIPTON Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

See: *ShIPTON under Wychwood Brass Band*

### **ShIPTON under Wychwood Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1855

### **ShIRE Oak School Brass Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active from the mid-1970s to the mid-1980s

### **ShIREbrook Adult School Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Unison Band*

### **ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Brass Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Unison Band*

### **ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Unison Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1903 - Former names: ShIREbrook Adult School Band (to WW1), ShIREbrook Silver Prize Band (to 1949), ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Brass Band - Note: ShIREbrook Silver Prize Band (Mansfield) was active in the 1950s

### **ShIREbrook Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *ShIREbrook Miners' Welfare Unison Band*

### **ShIREhampton and Avonmouth Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the late 1890s to the 1930s. Obtained new instruments in 1902 and became a public subscription band in 1904.

### **ShIREhampton and Avonmouth Labour Band**

See: *ShIREhampton and Avonmouth Brass Band*

### **ShIREmoor Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1894 to WW1. Conductor Thomas Petrie in 1902, George Hopkins in 1909. Also Known as ShIREmoor Institute Band

### **ShIREmoor Institute Band**

See: *ShIREmoor Brass Band*

### **ShIREoaks Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1860s to the 1910s. Conductor Mr Martin in 1868, Mr Beadmore in 1893. Still active in 1911

**Shireoaks Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1900s to the 1950s. Ernest Tuttle appointed conductor in October 1949

**Shirland and Higham Silver Band** - Derbyshire

Formed in the 1880s, active through to 1939. Conductor W. Lambert in 1891

**Shirland Brass Band**

See: *Shirland and Higham Silver Band*

**Shirland Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1881, conductor Isaac Booth

**Shirland Miners Welfare Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shirland Welfare Band*

**Shirland Welfare Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1998 - Former names: Shirland Miners Welfare Silver Band

**Shirley Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Barnes in 1869, G. Butt in 1885

**Shirley Band** - Warwickshire

[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Shirley Town Band, Shirley Silver Band

**Shirley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s

**Shirley Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Shirley Amateur Brass Band*

**Shirley Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Bandmaster was George Pound in 1895, rehearsing in the Sandrock Hotel in Upper Shirley Road.

**Shirley Schools Brass Band** - Surrey

Active from the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor J. Machell in 1904. In 1903, the St Olave Union erected a large children's cottage home "village" at Wickham Road, Shirley, also known as Shirley Schools. There were 38 children's cottages, making Shirley one of the largest cottage homes sites ever erected. Some children stayed there for just a few weeks, some for up to fifteen years. Conductor L. Evans-Parr in 1926. Also known as St Olave's Poor Law School Band

**Shirley Silver Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shirley Band*

**Shirley Town Band** - Warwickshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shirley Band*

**Shirley Victoria Brass Band** - Surrey

See: *Croydon and Shirley Victoria Brass Band*

**Shoeburyness Boys Band** - Essex

Active in 1922

**Shoeburyness Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s

**Shoeburyness R.A. School of Gunnery Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Shoeburyness Railway Silver Band** - Essex

Formed after WW1 in 1919 and active through to 1939

**Shoeburyness School of Gunnery Band**

See: *Shoeburyness R.A. School of Gunnery Band*

### **Shoeburyness Silver Band**

See: *Shoeburyness Railway Silver Band*

### **Shore Road Station Brass Band** - Birkenhead, Cheshire

Active in the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor J. Harper in 1901

### **Shoreditch Borough Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1900s to the 1930s

### **Shoreditch Borough United Band**

See: *Shoreditch Borough Silver Band*

### **Shoreditch Industrial School Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1860 through to 1900. Conductor Mr Phemister, bandmaster Mr Skipsey in 1860. The school was taken over from the Shoreditch Board of Guardians in 1877, becoming the Brentwood District school, and was based on the north side of Brentwood Hill. In 1885 the Brentwood School District was dissolved, the Hackney Union taking it over. The band was still active in 1900, conductor G.W. Doughty. In 1898 a report on the school included: "There is an excellent and well-taught band - 34 boys are in the 1st band, and 28 in the 2nd. During the year 1897, 16 outside engagements were successfully carried out by it. The practising band-room is of insufficient size, but the neighbouring gymnasium is, when available, used in its stead."

### **Shoreditch Parochial Schools Boys Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Shoreditch Industrial School Brass Band*

### **Shoreditch Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

### **Shoreham Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1880s to 1920s. Conductor Mr Feltham in 1885, H. Ashdown in 1898, Joseph H. Booker in 1902-1929. Still active in 1929. Also known as Shoreham United Brass Band

### **Shoreham United Brass Band**

See: *Shoreham Brass Band*

### **Short Heath Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1890s to WW1. Conductor H. Fisher in 1894, A. Tew in 1911

### **Short Heath Havelock Band**

See: *Short Heath Brass Band*

### **Short's Works Brass Band** - Rochester, Kent

Based at the Short Brothers aircraft factory for a short period after WW2. Presumed to have folded when Short Brothers moved their main based from Kent to Belfast in 1948.

### **Shotley Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1919

### **Shotton Colliery Band (1)** - Durham

Formed around 1902, probably disbanded at/during WW1

### **Shotton Colliery Band (2)** - Durham

Founded in 1920, disbanded in 1972. Also known as Shotton Model Silver Band. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by W. F. Buckley.

### **Shotton Colliery Band (3)** - Durham

Reformed in 1981 and disbanded around 1995

### **Shotton Model Silver Band**

See: *Shotton Colliery Band (2)*

### **Shotton Subscription Band** - Durham

Active in the 1910s

**Shotton Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the 1910s

**Shotts Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Shotts Foundry Band*

**Shotts Foundry Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from the 1860s to the 1950s. Conductor Mr Gilchrist in 1867, J. Somerville in 1900, J. Radcliffe in 1907, William L. Smith in 1933

**Shotts Iron Works Silver Band**

See: *Shotts Foundry Band*

**Shotts RC Band** - Lanarkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shotts St Patrick's Brass Band*

**Shotts Roman Catholic Band** - Lanarkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shotts St Patrick's Brass Band*

**Shotts St Patrick's Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: also known as Shotts RC Band

**Showell and Sons Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the mid-1880s. The company were brass founders, producing architectural brassware and art metal work, based at the Stirchley Brass Foundry, Charlotte Road, Stirchley.

**Shrewsbury Amateur Promenade Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1870s

**Shrewsbury and Hereford Railway Company Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Shrewsbury Railway Works Brass Band*

**Shrewsbury Brass Band** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Sabrina Brass Band (to 2012) - Note: Originally formed in the mid 1970s as an instrumental teachers quintet, developed into full brass band in 1980

**Shrewsbury Brass Band (1)** - Shropshire

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor John Carey in 1859, Mr Tanswell in 1861-1871

**Shrewsbury Brass Band (2)** - Shropshire

Founded around 1905. A successor band was formed in 1980

**Shrewsbury Oddfellows Brass Band** - Shropshire

Founded in 1859, bandmaster Edward Mitchell, secretary J. Griffiths. Still active in 1869

**Shrewsbury Promenade Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Shrewsbury Amateur Promenade Band*

**Shrewsbury Railway Works Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1858

**Shrewton Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1831 - Note: 1831 - First evidence in print of the forerunner of the Shrewton Silver Band, 1856 - William Kilford and Henry Scott, conductors of the Shrewton Band. 1895 - Frederick Smith, conductor, 1909 - Frank Kilford, conductor, 1911 - Shrewton Band earned £5 for the Coronation celebrations at Shrewton, 1922 - purchased new uniforms - 1934 - raised £4 10s from a Sunday Concert for the Gresford Colliery Disaster Fund

**Shropshire (Wellington) Volunteer Band** - Shropshire

[no information]

**Shroton Institution Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Iwerne Minster Brass Band*

**Shroton Musical Institution Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Iwerne Minster Brass Band*

**Shustoke Industrial School Band**

See: *Shawbury Industrial School Band*

**Shut End Brass Band** - Pensnett, Staffordshire

Active from the early 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Proudler in 1885. Possibly linked to the brickworks in the village

**Shutford Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active from 1861 to the 1910s

**Shuttlewood Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1909, conductor Mr Dodsworth

**Sibford Band** - Warwickshire

Active around 1900

**Sible Hedingham Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s to the early 1900s

**Sibold's North London Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1860s

**Sibsey Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

**Sidcup Homes Band**

See: *Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band*

**Sidcup Schools Brass Band**

See: *Greenwich and Deptford Union Cottage Homes Band*

**Sidmouth Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1853. A successor band was formed in 1862

**Sidmouth Excelsior Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1899

**Sidmouth Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1862, conductor Mr Pinney. Fell apart in disarray in 1864 only to re-organise as a subscription band later in that year. Found itself in "great pecuniary difficulties" in 1867

**Sigglethorpe and Seaton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in December 1862. Conductor Mr Hockney in 1864. Active into the late 1870s. President was H.S. Constable.

**Sigglethorpe Brass Band**

See: *Sigglethorpe and Seaton United Brass Band*

**Silchester and District Temperance Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1890. Active into the 1920s and 1930s. Won the Holbrook Cup in 1921. Conductor Albert Ford in 1893

**Silchester Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Silchester School Band** - Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Silchester Silver Band**

See: *Silchester and District Temperance Band*

### **Silchester Temperance Band**

See: *Silchester and District Temperance Band*

### **Sileby Adult School Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Won a contest at Humberstone Hall in 1902

### **Sileby and Mountsorrel Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1866, conductor William Smith

### **Sileby Brass Band**

See: *Sileby Town Band*

### **Sileby Imperial Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1910 - having been formed after the Sileby Temperance Band folded. It took part in a procession for the Adult School's 3rd Annual Parade together with the Sileby Town Band in July 1910. In 1925 they won the Leicester Mail Challenge Cup under their conductor, Billy Iliffe, and changed their name to Sileby Imperial Silver Band. The band folded at the outbreak of the Second World War.

### **Sileby Temperance Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1888 by the Primitive Methodist Chapel. Still active in 1906. Conductor Mr Freer in 1895

### **Sileby Town Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1866. Folded in 1967. Contemporary with the Sileby Temperance Band in the 1890s and 1900s. A complimentary benefit concert was given by the band in 1911 on behalf of Mr "Tricker" Preston who had played with the band for 30 years. Before that he had been a member of the Quorn and Sileby Band. In 1937 the band won two first prizes in the Leicestershire Brass Band Association contest under their conductor, Mr C Anderson, winning the Hawkes Challenge Cup and the Boosey Challenge Shield.

### **Silford Temperance Band** - Devon

Active in the 1900s

### **Silk Brass** - Macclesfield, Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1997

### **Silk Mill Brass Band** - Westhoughton, Lancashire

See: *Chadwick's Mill Brass Band*

### **Silksworth Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *RMT Silksworth Band*

### **Silksworth Colliery Band (1)** - Durham

Active in 1877

### **Silksworth Colliery Band (2)**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

### **Silksworth Model Band**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

### **Silksworth Temperance Band**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

### **Silksworth Volunteer Band**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

### **Silloth Artillery Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in 1895, when Joseph Wilkinson was appointed Bandmaster

**Silloth Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1860s, conductor Mr Bull in 1866, Mr Madill in 1882, Mr Gouge in 1886, Mr Rosenblade in 1887. The band's instruments, stored in the luggage room at Silloth Station, were destroyed in a fire there in July 1887. Still active in 1908.

**Silloth Town Band** - Cumberland

See: *Silloth Brass Band*

**Silsden and Addingham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1865

**Silsden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in the 1840s. Also known as 16th West Yorks Rifles Band for a period when it was associated with the local volunteer brigade. A successor band was formed in 1990

**Silsden Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1990

**Silton Brass Band** - Dorset

Formed in September 1870, bandmaster J. Skivington. Still active in 1888, conductor C. Matthews

**Silton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Silver Wing Band** - Heathrow, Middlesex

[previous name of current band] See: *British Airways Band*

**Silverdale Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1850s. Herr Winzer conductor in 1858, F. Mountford in 1863, Mr Hilton in 1870

**Silverdale Silver Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Silverdale Town Band*

**Silverdale St Luke's Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Silverdale Town Band*

**Silverdale Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s to 1889

**Silverdale Town Band** - Staffordshire

Formed as Silverdale St Luke's Band in the 1880s. Renamed Silverdale Town Band around 1890. Conductor G. Turner through the 1890s. Active to the 1920s

**Silverhill Colliery Band** - Skegby, Nottinghamshire

Active around 1900. One member at that time was George Hawksley.

**Silverstone Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Silverton Rechabite Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1903

**Silverton Temperance Band** - Devon

[no information]

**Silverton Town Band** - Devon

[no information]

**Silverwood Colliery Band** - Thrybergh, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in May 1909. Folded in the late 1960s

**Simon Langton Brass** - Canterbury, Kent

[current band] - Founded in 2011



**Simply Brass** - Stowmarket, Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 2014

**Sinclairtown Instrumental Brass Band** - Fife

Active in 1855

**Singer's Apollo Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire

Founded in 1884, based at George Singer's bicycle factory in the town. Conductor George Rose. In 1888 the band performed at a 'monster cycle meeting', where the 15 musicians were mounted on the 'Victoria' war cycle, also with a steerer and a big drum. In 1889 the band performed on tricycles. Conductor Walter Sidwell in 1891. Still active in 1902

**Single Hill Silver Prize Band** - Somerset

Active from the early 1900s to 1939. In 1917 it took part in the following celebration: "On Wednesday evening there was a large gathering of inhabitants of Shoscombe, Wellow and the district including several miners employed at the Braysdown Colliery who met to show their appreciation of the heroic conduct of a Wellow man named Herbert Gollodge, a miner employed at Braysdown Colliery, who upon a recent occasion performed a daring deed while at work in the colliery, and rendered very timely and valuable aid to the under manager Mr George Weeks, who had met with a serious accident while riding in the cage in the shaft of the colliery. The gathering took place in the Shoscombe Church Schools, which had kindly been placed at the disposal of the promoters by the vicar of Wellow, the Rev L.G.G. Horton and the managers. In honour of the occasion the Single Hill Silver Prize Band, under Mr George Montague's conductorship turned out and in addition to rendering suitable music in the open air before and after the proceedings played two selections in a highly creditable manner in the school-room, where a glee party, under Mr James Maggs, also gave a couple of glees."

**Singlehill Brass Band**

See: *Single Hill Silver Prize Band*

**Sipson Baptist Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1906, conductor A.J. Sopp

**Sir George Elliot's Brass Band**

See: *Aberaman Original Silver Band*

**Sir John Johnstone's Private Brass Band** - Hackness, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867. J.V.B. Johnstone, MP, residing at Hackness Hall, had a brass band formed of a number of his estate's tenants.

**Sir Richard Arkwright's Masson Mills Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: South East Derbyshire Music Centre Band, Orion Airways Band, Britannia Airways Band, Thorntons Brass (to 2008)

**Sir Wilfrid Martineau School Brass Band** - Tile Cross, Warwickshire

Active in the 1970s

**Sir William Angus, Sanderson and Company Motor Works Band** - Birtley, Northumberland

Founded in 1919, bandmaster James Neill. The Angus-Sanderson automobile was manufactured from 1919 to 1927. As production moved from Birtley to Hendon in 1921, the band probably did not survive the move.

**Sirdar (Wakefield) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1970s and 1980s.

**Sirocco Lodge Brass Band**

See: *Sirocco Silver Band*

**Sissinghurst Brass Band - Kent**

Active in 1865

**Sissons Brothers and Company Band - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Founded in 1909, bandmaster Mr Southcoat. Active in the 1910s. Sissons manufactured varnish, paint and colours. A bandroom was constructed at the factory in 1911.

**Sittingbourne and Milton Temperance Band - Kent**

Active in the early 1900s

**Sittingbourne and Murston Band - Kent**

Active in the 1900s. In 1908 it had about "thirty capable musicians" and it rehearsed at the New Inn, Murston. Bandmaster, F. Hinkley; Sub-Bandmaster, S. Bills.

**Sittingbourne Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Sitwell Street Mission Band - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Formed around 1889. Active through to WW1. Was "in need of new instruments" in 1909, conductor George H. Hawkins.

**Six Bells Brass Band - Monmouthshire**

Active in 1867

**Six Ways Mission Band - Smethwick, Staffordshire**

Active around 1900.

**Sixpenny Handley Brass Band - Dorset**

Active from the early 1900s to the 1950s at least. Conductor in 1909 was John Fox. In 1949 it was D.D. Judd.

**Skaife's Brass Band - Pickering, Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s, disbanding in 1904

**Skegby Brass Band - Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1858

**Skegness (Hawkins Electrical) Band - Lincolnshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Skegness Silver Band*

**Skegness Boy's Brigade Band - Lincolnshire**

Formed in 1908 under the direction of J. Hudson but had to disband on the outbreak of hostilities in 1914, since most of the men were territorials. A new Skegness Town Band was formed in 1928 (later Skegness Excelsior, then Skegness Silver Band).

**Skegness Excelsior Silver Band - Lincolnshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Skegness Silver Band*

**Skegness Silver Band - Lincolnshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Skegness Town Band, Skegness Excelsior Silver Band, Skegness (Hawkins Electrical) Band

**Skegness Town Band - Lincolnshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Skegness Silver Band*

**Skelmanthorpe Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1843 - Former names: Skelmanthorpe Prize Silver Band, Skelmanthorpe Band, Innovate Skelmanthorpe Band (to 2007)

**Skelmanthorpe Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Skelmanthorpe Band*

**Skelmersdale County Secondary School Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the early 1960s

**Skelmersdale Prize Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: Skelmersdale Temperance Band

**Skelmersdale Temperance Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Skelmersdale Prize Band*

**Skelton Brass Band**

See: *Skelton Old Band*

**Skelton Hope to Prosper Band**

See: *North Skelton Hope to Prosper Band*

**Skelton Lower Edge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Skelton Old Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active between the 1860s and 1920s. Also known as Skelton Volunteer Band. Conductor Tom Hunter in 1906

**Skelton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Skelton Volunteer Band**

See: *Skelton Old Band*

**Skelton-in-Cleveland Brass Band**

See: *Skelton Old Band*

**Skenfrith Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in 1860

**Skewen Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Originally a drum and fife band, it had converted to all brass by around 1900. Conductor H. Wiltshire in 1905, John Richards in 1908

**Skidby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1860, when each of the members was present with a suit of clothes of uniform shape by Mr Barkworth of Cottingham Castle. Still active in 1868

**Skinflats Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the 1870s to WW1. Conductor Alexander Bell from the late 1890s.

**Skinningrove and Loftus Mines Band**

See: *Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band*

**Skinningrove Brass Band**

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**Skinningrove Iron and Steel Works Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Folded around WW2

**Skinningrove Miners' Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the late 1940s. Bandmaster Mr Layman in 1906

**Skipton Blue Ribbon Army Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Skipton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed around 1870 as Jack Guy's Skipton Mission Band, later named Skipton Prize Band in 1919, it disbanded in 2002. Also known as Skipton Town Band, Skipton Properties Band and PCA Skipton Brass Band. A successor band, Skipton Brass, was formed a few years later.

**Skipton Mission Band**

See: *Skipton Brass Band*

**Skipton Old Band**

See: *Skipton Brass Band*

**Skipton Properties Band**

See: *Skipton Brass Band*

**Skipton Town Band**

See: *Skipton Brass Band*

**Slade's Family Brass Band** - Trowbridge, Wiltshire

Active in 1867

**Sladesbridge Band** - Cornwall

[no information]

**Slaidburn Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864. A successor band was formed in 1898

**Slaidburn Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1898

**Slaithwaite Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1892 - Former names: Upper Slaithwaite Brass & Reed Band, Upper Slaithwaite Prize Band (around 1905)

**Slaithwaite Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the early 1850s to the late 1880s. A successor band was formed in 1892.

**Slaithwaite Union Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the late 1850s to the early 1880s. Obtained new uniforms in April 1869, costing £70, consisting of white coat with red facings, blue trousers with white stripe outside, cap to match and white belt.

**Slaithwaite Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Slamannan Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the late 1870s to around 1900. Conductor James Lilly in 1893

**Slapton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1859 to 1865

**Slater's New Haden (Colliery) Band**

See: *New Haden Colliery Silver Band*

**Slater's Silver Band**

See: *New Haden Colliery Silver Band*

**Sleaford Albion Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1885

**Sleaford and District Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed by the amalgamation of Sleaford Town Band and Heckington Band, probably in the late 1940s? Active in the 1950s to the early 1970s. Some members of the band went on to form Sleaford Vintage Brass.

**Sleaford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the mid-1840s to the mid-1880s.

**Sleaford Excelsior Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor W.W. Clarke in 1904, H. Jeffrey in 1911. Folded when the war dispersed its members. Also known as Sleaford Town Band until the "formal" Sleaford Town Band was founded around 1903.

**Sleaford Temperance Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1859.

**Sleaford Town Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1903, conductor E. King, it was active through to the late 1930s, becoming the Sleaford Homeguard Band during WW2, and amalgamating with the Heckington Band after the war to form Sleaford and District Band.

**Sleetburn Colliery Band** - Willington, Durham

Formed in 1891 as brass and reed band, converting to all brass by 1894. Later known as Sleetburn Model Band, New Brancepeth Colliery Band. Active through to the 1950s

**Sleetburn Model Band**

See: *Sleetburn Colliery Band*

**Slindon Brass Band** - near Chichester, Sussex

Active around 1870

**Slip End Adult School Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in 1909

**Slough and Chalvey Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1887 under the direction of J. Hammond. In 1896 it played a promenade concert at the Dolphin Ground in Slough on July 15th. Still active in 1899. Also known as Chalvey Brass Band

**Slough and Stoke Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

**Slough Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Slough Town Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the early 1900s into the 1950s. Bandmaster W.G. Fidler in 1905

**Smallbridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1861 to 1867

**Smalley Common Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Smallthorne Amateur Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Founded in September 1867, conductor Mr Davies

**Smallthorne Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s, bandmaster was Edwin Meadows Dixon. It practiced in a hut in Bradeley Lane (now Chell Heath Road) on the edge of Camp Fields. Its members would have been drawn from the local mines and ironworks.

**Smallthorne Public Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the late 1930s

**Smedley's Works Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Lea Mills Brass Band*

**Smethwick Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Smethwick Foresters Brass Band*

**Smethwick Foresters Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1866 and the 1870s

**Smethwick Uplands Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1960s

**Smethwick Volunteers Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Also known as the band of the 2nd King's Own Staffordshire Militia

### **Smirthwaite Brass Band**

See: *Smirthwaite Temperance Band*

### **Smirthwaite Street Brass Band**

See: *Smirthwaite Temperance Band*

### **Smirthwaite Temperance Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to 1900s. A new bandmaster was being sought in 1904. Linked to the Blue Ribbon Union.

### **Smith and Ashby Foundry Band** - Stamford, Lincolnshire

Robert Smith was a talented musician. He encouraged an interest in music among a number of his workmen and organised them into a brass band. They first performed at the showroom's opening concert and by December 1855 they were thought proficient enough to give their first public concert (although there is a report of them playing at the "Capture of Sebastopol" celebrations in the town in September 1855). The firm provided the instruments and uniforms, at a total cost of £200, but the band members had to undertake to purchase them from their weekly wages. It was serious commitment for men who probably not well paid. Throughout the following years the Foundry Band, as it came to be called, became a popular ingredient of the Stamford social scene. Regular concerts were given and the band took part in the celebrations to mark the end of the Crimea War. Smith's Works Band still active in 1923.

### **Smith Brothers Brass Band** - Accrington, Lancashire

Active in 1854

### **Smith Brothers Brass Band** - Hyson Green, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1866. Smith Brothers & Co. manufactured brass fittings for locomotive engines

### **Smith's Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

### **Smith's Band** - Stamford, Lincolnshire

See: *Smith and Ashby Foundry Band*

### **Smith's Dock Brass Band**

See: *Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band*

### **Smith's Family Brass Band** - Accrington, Lancashire

Active in 1852

### **Smith's Hull Druidical Operatic Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Druids' Brass Band*

### **Smith's Model Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

### **Smith's Operatic Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Druids' Brass Band*

### **Smith's Works Band**

See: *Smith and Ashby Foundry Band*

### **Smithstone Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Croy Silver Band*

### **Smithstone Brass Band** - Kilsyth, Stirlingshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

### **Smyllum School Band** - Lanark, Lanarkshire

A band formed at the Smyllum Orphanage School in the 1940s/50s. The band was still active in the early 1960s, and the school probably closed in the 1980s.

**Snainton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in 1853

**Snedshill Iron Company Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1859

**Snibston and Desford Colliery (NWDLC) Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *South Leicester and Desford 'B' Miners Welfare Band*

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**Snibston and Desford Colliery Band** - Leicestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1863 - Former names: Snibston Colliery Band, Ebenezer Chapel Band, Coalville Coronation Band, Snibston Colliery Silver Prize Band (1924).  
Conductor J.A. Smith in 1868

**Snibston Colliery Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Snibston & Desford Colliery Band*

**Snibston Colliery Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

**Snibston Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *William Davis Construction Group Band*

**Snitterfield Band** - Warwickshire  
Formed in 1882 with William Price from Stratford upon Avon as its bandmaster and given its first set of instruments by Robert Phillips of Welcombe House (now Welcombe Hotel). Bandmaster: - 1882 to 1904(died) William Price, 1904 G. Gibbs. Mentioned in newspaper reports from 1882 to 1912. Last known mention of the band is 20th June 1912.

**Snodland Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1890s to 1920. Conductor Mr Allehin in 1907

**Snowdown Colliery Welfare Band** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1929 - Note: First engagement 29th June 1929

**Snowhill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1859, 1862

**Sodbury Quarry Works Brass Band** - Chipping Sodbury, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1920s

**Soham Amateur Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
See: *Soham Brass Band*

**Soham Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Formed by 1853 - it gave outdoor gala concerts, still attended by up to 1,500 people up to the 1880s. Conductor W. Whitham in 1864, Mr Feather in 1867

**Soham Comrades Band** - Cambridgeshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1921 - Former names: Amalgamation of Soham Excelsior Prize Band and Soham Town Band

**Soham Excelsior Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Formed 1910, conductors H. Liddle and John C. Connor. Amalgamated with Soham Town Band in 1920 to form Soham Comrades Band.

**Soham Town Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Formed 1890, conductor F. Moody. Amalgamated with Soham Excelsior Band in 1920 to form Soham Comrades Band.

**Soho Iron Works Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Bolton Free Press 23rd August 1845. - "John Hick's Esq, Band. The admirable full brass band of individuals employed in the Soho Iron Works, in this town, belonging to John Hicks have been on a pleasure trip to Liverpool, Bangor and North Wales. The band excited much attention in consequence of their unique and elegant uniform, which consists of a rich full braided coat, black trousers, with two-inch gold lace down the sides and blue cap with gold band. They played several airs through the principle Streets of Bolton last Saturday in full dress; and their appearance and performance called for general admiration of the public". The band continued to have annual dinners through the 1850's, but no references to the band later than the 1870's have been found.

**Soho Street Ragged Schools Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1856 to 1869. The school was established in 1849

**Solent Brass**

See: *Southampton Air Training Corps Band*

**Solent Concert Band** - Hampshire

Formed in 1969 as Southsea Junior Band, by Wesley Garner, Noel Horner and Ron Moore, with the aim of recruiting young musicians, eager to learn the 'Art' of brass banding. By 1974 it was renamed as Solent Youth Concert Band. As the band grew in numbers, it became necessary to form a second band, which became the Solent Concert Band. Both bands continued to thrive, competing and entertaining throughout the years. Solent Concert Band was a registered 2nd section band, regularly competing in the West of England Regional Brass Band Championships. It reached the Championship Section and twice made it to the finals at the Royal Albert Hall around 1980/81. It merged with Gosport Silver Band in 2011 to form Gosport Solent Brass.

**Solihull Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from the 1860s to the early 1900s

**Solihull Town Band**

See: *Solihull Brass Band*

**Solihull Youth Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the late 1970s

**Solway Silver Band**

See: *Maryport Solway Silver Band*

**Somercotes and Selston United Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1930s, conductor Griffin Burnham, secretary L. Brocklehurst in 1933

**Somercotes Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1860s to the 1890s. The professional conductor was James Addison, from Nottingham and the resident conductor was George Simpson, of Sleetmoor, Somercotes, a gifted bass trombone player.

**Somercotes Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1960s

**Somerford Brass Band** - Somerford Keynes, Wiltshire

Active in 1864 to 1868

**Somerford Park Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1863 - linked to Sir C. Shakerley's own rifle corps

**Somers Road Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

Active in 1901



**Somers Town Blind Class Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1869

**Somerset and Dorset Railway Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Active in the 1880s through to early 1900s. Somerset and Dorset Joint Railway Company.  
Conductor J.W. Wood in 1902

**Somerset Central Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Central Somerset Brass Band*

**Somerset Central Railway Brass Band** - Highbridge, Somerset

Active in 1858. The line ran from Highbridge to Glastonbury and construction commenced in 1851.

**Somerset County Youth Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1990s

**Somerset Industrial School Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Active in 1886 through to 1920. The school was founded in 1832, its aim being to "to reclaim abandoned boys, and to rescue those whose unhappy circumstances would inevitably lead them to crime and profligacy". It was located in Lower Bristol Road, Bath.  
Conductor G. Sharp in 1902, Mr Godden in 1913. Still active in 1919

**Somersham Town Band** - Huntingdonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1981 - Note: Earlier band existed from 1919 to 1961

**Somersham Town Band** - Huntingdonshire

Formed in 1919 but folded in 1962. A successor band was formed in 1981

**Somerton and Keinton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the mid-1870s

**Somerton Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active from the early 1840s into the 1850s. Folded before 1860. A successor band was formed in 1863

**Somerton Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

Formed in 1863 by Mr Gunning. Active through to the 1950s. Conductor Mr Lewes in 1879, J. Bishop in 1882, Mr Lewis in 1886, Mr Trippick in 1889, T.E. Carey in 1892-1910. The band folded during WW1, but restarted by 1920, and similarly folded in 1939 and restarting in 1947, conductor C. Pattemore.

**Somerton British Legion Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Somerton Town Band**

See: *Somerton Amateur Brass Band*

**Sompting Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from 1890 to the late 1900s. Conductor Mr Kennard in 1907

**Sonning Brass Band** - Berkshire

Formed around 1895. Active through to WW2. Conducted by C. Rose in 1905, R. Lambden in 1938

**Sonning Silver Band**

See: *Sonning Brass Band*

**Sons of Rechab Northern Brass Band** - Gateshead, Durham

Active in 1863

**Sons of Temperance Silver Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Soughton Brass Band** - Flintshire

Founded in 1892, conductor James Griffiths in 1896. Still active in 1903

**Souldern Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Soundhouse Brass** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Plymouth City Mission Band, Plymouth Silver Band, Plymouth Band of the Royal British Legion Crownhill (1982-2002)

**Soundwell Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s

**Soundwell Brass Band (2)** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1970s and early 1980s. Also known as Swanbrook Soundwell Band and Swanbrook Transport Band

**South Anston Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1905

**South Bank Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s - Former names: South Bank Old Band

**South Bank Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the early 1990s. Also known as South Bank Old Band, and South Bank Town Band.

**South Bank Catholic Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1885, conductor Mr. Mellor.

**South Bank Old Band**

See: *South Bank Brass Band*

**South Bank Town Band**

See: *South Bank Brass Band*

**South Berks Silver Band** - Berkshire

Active from the early 1910s to 1939. Bandmaster in 1914 was G. Kerby. Later conductors included Jack Lennon and H.I. Page

**South Berkshire Band**

See: *South Berks Silver Band*

**South Brent Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Founded around 1890, bandmaster Henry Clancey

**South Brent Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in 1924, conductor C. Manning, active through to the early 1930s.

**South Cave Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *South Cave Choir Brass Band*

**South Cave Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in 1904, conductor T. Gibson. Changed its name to South Cave Silver Band in 1926 ("as most of the instruments now in use are of silver"). Still active in 1928

**South Cave Choir Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1856, when it played at the Peace Rejoicings at North Cave and also in 1875. Conductor Mr Acey in 1864. A successor band was formed in 1904

**South Cave Subscription Silver Band**

See: *South Cave Brass Band (2)*

**South Cheshire Young Brass** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewe Brass*

- South Cheshire Youth Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active from the mid-1980s to the early 1990s. Conducted by David Moulton
- South Croxton Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- South Derbyshire Miners' Welfare Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Gresley Colliery Band*
- South Derbyshire Youth Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the early 1970s
- South Derwent Brass Band** - Annfield Plain, Durham  
Formed in 1871, still active in the 1930s. Conductor R.H. Cooper in 1899, R. Humble in 1908
- South Derwent Colliery Band**  
See: *South Derwent Band*
- South Devon Brass**  
See: *Storm Brass*
- South Devon Locomotive Works Brass Band** - Newton Abbot, Devon  
See: *Newton Abbot Locomotive Brass Band*
- South Durham Industries Band** - Durham  
[current band] - Founded in 1988
- South Durham Industries Brass Band** - Shildon, Durham  
Formed in 1988, later known as North Eastern Industries Brass Band (early 1990s to late 1990s), then Shildon Community Band until it folded some time after 2010.
- South East Cheshire Youth Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the early 2000s
- South East Derbyshire Music Centre Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Sir Richard Arkwright's Masson Mills Band*
- South East Dorset Schools Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the early 1980s
- South East London Mission Brass Band** - Newington, Surrey  
Active in the 1900s into the 1920s, based at the Primitive Methodist church at St George's Hall. Conductor Mr Gregory in 1900
- South Eastern Railway Brass Band (1)** - Rotherhithe, Surrey  
Active in 1867. Consisted primarily of carpenters employed at the works
- South Eastern Railway Brass Band (2)** - Rotherhithe, Surrey  
Active from 1888 through to the early 1900s. Secretary W. Culver in 1889, conductor J. Turner in 1890
- South Elmsall Village Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band*
- South Essex Company Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1945
- South Ferriby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active from the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor George Carlisle in 1884, Walter Smith in 1905
- South Gloucester A.T.C. Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the late 1940s
- South Godstone Brass Band** - Surrey  
Active in the 1890s

- South Hampshire Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1880s to early 1900s. Conductor F. Haskell in 1884
- South Hams Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in the 1880s
- South Hants Temperance Band**  
See: *South Hampshire Temperance Band*
- South Hetton and Easington Lane Band**  
See: *Easington Lane Brass Band*
- South Hetton and Easington Lane Black Diamond Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Easington Lane Brass Band*
- South Hetton Brass Band** - Durham  
Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor W.D. Hunter in 1865. Bought the instruments of the defunct Elemore Colliery Band in 1908.
- South Hiendley Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- South Hiendley Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active around 2000 to 2010
- South Hill Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1859 to the 1870s
- South Kelsey Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1840s
- South Killingholme Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Wood.
- South Kilworth Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- South Kirkby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Bandmaster W.H. Dykes in 1906. Linked to the colliery
- South Kirkby Colliery Band**  
See: *South Kirkby Brass Band*
- South Kirkby Renaissance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 2005
- South Leicester and Desford 'B' Miners Welfare Band**  
Formed in the late 1970s, renamed Snibston and Desford Colliery Band around 1990.  
Also known as Snibston and Desford Colliery (NWDLC) Band. It folded around 2008.
- South Leicester Colliery Band**  
Active in the 1960s to early 1970s, conductor H. Essex.
- South Leicester Welfare Band**  
See: *South Leicester Colliery Band*
- South Leicestershire Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1860
- South Lincolnshire Brass Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire  
Active in 1862
- South London Foresters Brass Band** - Brixton, Surrey  
Active in 1869, conductor Mr Rayner
- South London Oddfellows Brass Band**  
Active in 1869

**South London Perseverance Temperance Band**

Active in 1899, conductor H. Young

**South London Temperance Brass Band**

Active in the 1860s

**South Lowestoft Brass Band**

Active in 1884

**South Manchester Brass Band**

Active in the 1890s

**South Medomsley Colliery Band** - Dipton, Durham

Active in the 1920s

**South Metropolitan District School Band** - Sutton, Surrey

Active from the early 1870s to the early 1900s

**South Metropolitan Gas Company Band** - London

Active in 1905, conductor E.J. Thomas

**South Midlands Welfare Youth Brass Band** - Snibston, Leicestershire

Active in the 1970s

**South Milford Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1982 - Former names: Hambleton Brass, Hambleton Brass SHS, ASDA Manufacturing Band (1989-1992)

**South Milford Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor Mr Brainham in 1903. A successor band was formed in 1982.

**South Molton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1865 - not known if this was the "Old" band or the "Saxhorn" band

**South Molton Mission Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1888, conducted by H.R. Poole and Fred Bennett. Merged with the South Molton Volunteer Regiment Band in 1911 to form South Molton Town Band

**South Molton Old Band** - Devon

Founded prior to 1855. Contemporary with the South Molton Saxorn Band

**South Molton Saxhorn Band** - Devon

Founded in 1856. Contemporary with the South Molton Old Band

**South Molton Season Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1900s

**South Molton Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1910

**South Molton Town Band** - Devon

Formed in 1911. A request from the South Molton members of the Volunteer Regimental Band was sent to the Band Master of the Wesleyan Mission Band asking if they could join forces. The trustees of the mission band replied to this request, stating that had no objection to this, providing the instruments (18 in all) would be on loan to the band, and would responsible for the repairs and replacement of any of the instruments. Also the band in return should play free of charge for any function in connection with the Wesleyan Church, including church parades and Sunday School concerts. So a band meeting was called, and it was decided to agree to the request of the South Molton members of the Volunteer Band, and a letter was written to the trustees of the Wesleyan Church, agreeing to their terms, so a new band was formed, and to be renamed South Molton Town Band. The first chairman was Mr T Westaway, Bandmaster Mr F Bennett,

secretary and treasurer Mr Jim Taylor. It appears that the bandmaster was elected annually, and between 1911 and 1914 there were three, Mr F Bennett, Mr John Taylor, and Mr William Courtney. During the First World War the band was kept going with reduced numbers by Mr John Taylor. The band folded in 1938. It was reformed just before the outbreak of WW2, but it folded again during the war. A successor band was formed by Fred Taylor in May 1947.

**South Molton Volunteer Regiment Band** - Devon

Merged with the South Molton Mission Brass Band in 1911 to form South Molton Town Band

**South Moor Brass Band**

See: *South Moor Colliery Silver Band*

**South Moor Colliery Silver Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s. Won the "Grand Shield" in the Crystal Palace Championships of September 28th 1907, and achieved 3rd place in the National Championships, behind Irwell Colliery and Marsden Colliery Bands in 1925, under the baton of Joe Dyson. Folded in the 1960s

**South Moor School Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1960s

**South Norfolk Schools Band**

See: *South Norfolk Youth Brass Band*

**South Norfolk Youth Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1980s to 1996.

**South Normanton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**South Norwood and Woodside Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**South Norwood Brass Band**

See: *South Norwood O.B.U. Brass Band*

**South Norwood O.B.U. Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Linked to the Oddfellows?

**South Nottinghamshire Temperance Band**

See: *Cotgrave Teetotal Brass Band*

**South Notts Silver Band**

See: *Cotgrave Teetotal Brass Band*

**South Notts Temperance Band**

See: *Cotgrave Teetotal Brass Band*

**South Notts Yeomanry Band**

See: *Wilford Brass Band*

**South Notts. Hussars Yeomanry Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1954 - Note: The South Notts. Hussars Yeomanry was raised in 1794 and Regimented in 1826. The first reference to a Regimental Band being in the ?Nottingham Journal? of May 1828. It is noted that at this time the band was a mounted band. During the second world war the South Notts. Hussars, including the band, were involved on active service, and in June of 1942 were involved in the battle of Knightsbridge, which is reported as being ?The last stand of the South Notts. Hussars?. The band was annihilated in this action with only eight members surviving. The grandson of one of the survivors is a member of the current cornet section. The band was

reformed as a wholly Brass Band in 1954 under the leadership of Harry Ryder and over the last fifty years has taken part in many official engagements, including Beating Retreat on Horse Guards Parade on three occasions and a tour of Germany. In the nineteenth century they performed at many engagements for the Royal Family. Since the band was reformed in 1954 there have been some very competent musicians at the helm who have both composed and arranged music for the band. Having lost official Territorial Army status approximately ten years ago due to government cuts to funding military music the band has been under strength, but still performs regularly

**South Ockendon Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1860s to 1900s. Conductor J. Allen in 1888

**South Ockendon Silver Band** - Essex

Active in the 1950s

**South of England Temperance Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Trains Woodfalls Band*

**South Ormsby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

[no information]

**South Paddington British Legion Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**South Park Amateur Brass Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Active in 1883

**South Pelaw Colliery Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. It promoted a contest at Chester-le-Street in August 1910.

**South Pemberton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in the late 1920s it was formally set up in 1932. An account book records the following example items of income: from the crowds watching Wigan Athletic in the autumn of 1933: 20 Sept, Wigan Athletic 7s. 0p. 14 Oct, Wigan Athletic v Lytham 9s. 10p. 25 Nov Wigan Athletic 6s. 11/2p. The band's surplus for that year appears to have been just over £2. They performed in Mesnes Park, Wigan, and at church walking days and field treats. In 1934: 3 June - St Johns Pemberton Field Treat £7-0-0, 1 July - St Lukes Orrell Field Treat and Sermons £10-11-4, 8 July - St Matthews Highfield Field Treat and Sermons £9-0-0. The Band also entered local Band contests at Standish, Atherton, Skelmersdale and, on at least one occasion, in 1934, the prestigious contests held at Belle Vue, Manchester.

**South Petherton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1870s to the late 1920s. Conductor in 1879 was Jonathan Willey. Known as South Petherton Volunteers Band for a while around 1900

**South Petherton British Legion Band** - Somerset

[no information]

**South Petherton Volunteers Band**

See: *South Petherton Brass Band*

**South Petherwin Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s

**South Queensferry and Dalmeny Brass Band**

Active in the 1900s

### **South Queensferry Brass Band**

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s. In 1885 an advertisement appeared: "Teacher wanted for South Queensferry Brass Band; must be sober; work will be found in the neighbourhood."

### **South Salford Silver Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s through to the 1950s. 1900: "The seventh annual treat to the poor children of South Salford took place when 438 boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 12 were taken to Blackpool. The streets were thronged with spectators as the large party marched to the Racecourse Station, Trafford Road, behind the South Salford Silver Band. On arrival at Blackpool's South Shore Station they again marched behind the Silver Band along the promenade to the South Shore. (August 1900)" In 1920 it performed at the first of a series of public dances in Ordsall Park, Salford in June. "Crowds gathered to watch the spectacle. The dances consisted of only waltzes, one-steps and two-steps. 'Jazzing' was banned, though many couples branched off into solo figures." In June 1922, conducted by William Owen, it took part in a musical festival in aid of Salford Royal Hospital, which attracted some 30,000 people to the Castle Irwell Racecourse.

### **South Shields Band of Hope Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in July 1890, of 25 boys, originally 12-14 years old, connected with the Band of Hope. Conductor was John Allen. Still active in 1892

### **South Shields Borough Band (1)**

See: *St Hilda Colliery Band*

### **South Shields Borough Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in 1888

### **South Shields Borough Police Band**

See: *South Shields Police Band*

### **South Shields Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1881, conductor George Lyons

### **South Shields Cornopean Band** - Durham

Active in 1843

### **South Shields Excelsior Temperance Band**

See: *Marsden Colliery Band*

### **South Shields Garibaldi Band (1)** - Durham

Active in 1877, must have folded prior to 1899 when another Garibaldi band was formed

### **South Shields Garibaldi Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in 1899 and still active in 1909. Bandmaster Joshua Greenwood in 1903

### **South Shields Harmonic Band (1)** - Durham

Active from the 1860s (conductor Mr Maughan) to 1887. It must have folded around then as a "new" Harmonic Band was formed in 1889.

### **South Shields Harmonic Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in 1889 and still active in 1914.

### **South Shields Model Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1866, conductor T. Lewthwaite. Active into the 1880s, and also in the 1930s (possibly a separate band?). Conductor in 1880 was Robert Dennison.

### **South Shields Operatic Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the early 1870s to the late 1890s. Conductor J. Carling in 1878, C. Frazer in 1896



- South Shields People's Mission Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *People's Mission Silver Band*
- South Shields People's Mission Band** - Durham  
See: *Wellington Street Mission Band*
- South Shields Police Band** - Durham  
Formed in 1888. Still active in 1915
- South Shields Rifles Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1860s
- South Shields Temperance Band** - Durham  
See: *Marsden Colliery Band*
- South Shields Town Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor W. Barrow in 1900
- South Shields Tramways Band** - Durham  
See: *South Shields Transport Band*
- South Shields Transport Band** - Durham  
[no information]
- South Shields Union Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *South Shields Workhouse Brass Band*
- South Shields Victoria Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1892, conductor Joshua Greenwood
- South Shields Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1877 to the mid-1880s. Conductor John Chapman, the band consisted of juveniles from the workhouse.
- South Shields Young Men's Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1866, conductor John Chapman
- South Shore Subscription Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Blackpool South Shore Subscription Band*
- South Side Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1980s and 1990s. Known as Riverside Brass from 1992. Conductors John Fishwick and Tony Swainson.
- South Side Brass Band** - Durham  
Active from 1865 into the 1870s
- South Staffordshire Britannia Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the late 1860s and 1870s
- South Stockton Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in 1842
- South Street Baptist Band** - Wellington, Somerset  
Active in from the early 1900s until it was disbanded in 1937. Bandmasters included A. Winter, S Lewis, A.H.Good, Robert Morgan, H. Peek, E. Parker and Mons. Kukearts.
- South Street Brass Band** - Goole,  
See: *Goole South Street Brass Band*
- South Street Mission Brass Band** - Hammersmith, Middlesex  
Active in the 1910s through to the 1950s. The Mission was located in Macbeth Street, Hammersmith. The band competed a few times in the early 1950s.
- South Tanfield Band**  
Active around 1892

### **South Telford (Madeley) Band**

See: *South Telford Band*

### **South Telford Band** - Shropshire

Formed in 1969 from some players that had split from Dawley New Town Band. The band practiced at Abraham Darby School. In the early 1970s, a man who held the instruments and the music for the defunct Madeley band handed them over on the proviso that South Telford was renamed to include Madeley. Thus it became South Telford (Madeley) Band. Eventually that was dropped, and it became Abraham Darby Band. The senior band folded in the late 1970s but the Abram Darby School Band itself continued and is still active.

### **South Tottenham Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Bysouth in 1908

### **South Tyne Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Also known as Haltwhistle and South Tyne Brass Band, South Tyne Haltwhistle Band. May be linked to the Haltwhistle Old Band.

### **South Tyne Haltwhistle Band**

See: *South Tyne Brass Band*

### **South Ulverston Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s, conductor Kit Garnett in 1906

### **South West Comms Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Brass Band of the 1st Devon Artillery Volunteers - Lympstone Company, Lympstone Band, Lympstone Silver Band (1920s), Topsham & Lympstone Band (1958-1969), Lympstone Band, Lympstone Southwest Telecomms Band (to 2014) - Note: Other related bands: Topsham Silver Band

### **South West Hertfordshire Youth Band**

See: *South West Herts Youth Brass Band*

### **South West Herts Youth Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active from the late 1960s to the early 1980s, conductor Clifford Jones.

### **South West Trains Woodfalls Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1874 - Former names: Woodfalls Temperance Band, South of England Temperance Band, Woodfalls Silver Band, S.W.T. Woodfalls Silver Band

### **South Wingfield Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s. Conductor M. Platts in 1881. William Hawksley was a player during the 1890s

### **South Yorkshire Caravans Dinnington Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dinnington Colliery Brass Band*

### **South Yorkshire Police Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1979

### **South Yorkshire Railway Band**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **South Zeal Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1870s

### **Southall Borough Band (1)** - Middlesex

Active during the 1930s - presumed to have folded in WW2. Was replaced by the Ealing Central Band in 1950 as the "new" Southall Borough Band

### **Southall Borough Band (2)**

See: *Ealing Central Band*

**Southall Brass Band (1) - Middlesex**

Active in 1916

**Southall Brass Band (2)**

See: *Ealing Central Band*

**Southall British Legion Band - Middlesex**

Active in 1939

**Southall Gaslight and Coke Band**

See: *Southall Gasworks Brass Band*

**Southall Gasworks Brass Band - Middlesex**

Formed in 1898, bandmaster R,B, Wheatley. In 1894 the Gasworks in Southall were still called "Chemical Works". The band was formed around the time of the amalgamation of Brentford and Southall Gasworks. Conductor J. Gray in 1904. Robert Snelling and his brother Richard had conducted the Southall SA Band, Richard prior to Eric Ball taking over the Band master position in 1925. Arthur Snelling, left the SA band and played for the Gasworks band on trombone after the Great War. The band lasted until the late 1930s. Also known as Brentford Gas Company Band, and Gas Light and Coke Company Band.

**Southall Schools Brass Band - Middlesex**

Active from the mid-1860s to the 1900s. Conductor J. Dykes in 1904. The school was set up as St Marylebone School in South Road, as an adjunct to the St Marylebone Workhouse. The children slept in dormitories of 40, and around 390 were housed there.

**Southall Wesleyan Mission Boys Brigade Band - Middlesex**

Founded in 1906, conductor A.J. Sopp

**Southam Brass Band - Warwickshire**

Active in the 1890s to the 1950s. Known as Southam Town Band from the 1900s

**Southam Town Band**

See: *Southam Brass Band*

**Southam Works Band - Warwickshire**

Active in 1924. Belonging to the Kaye and Co. Lime and Cement Works.

**Southampton Air Training Corps Band - Hampshire**

Formed just before World War 2. and developed into a 'mature' band when the young cadets became too old for the Corps. After the War the Band's membership was increased and enhanced by returning ex-servicemen, and became known as the Bitterne and West End Band, as its location base had changed to the eastern part of the city. Competed in the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth (organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950. It changed its name again in the early 1970s to Solent Brass. In 1993 Solent Brass was employed to provide music for a scene in the film *The Browning Version*, starring Albert Finney (released 1994), resulting in a mention in the film's credits. As membership declined in the 1990s, the band amalgamated with the Southampton Central Band in 1998 to form Ocean Brass.

**Southampton Albion and Scouts Band - Hampshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Southampton (Albion) Band*

**Southampton Albion Band - Hampshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Southampton (Albion) Band*

**Southampton Amateur Brass Band - Hampshire**

Active in the 1860s, conductor D. (G.) Crook in 1860

### **Southampton Band** - Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Southampton (Albion) Band*

### **Southampton Central Band** - Hampshire

Formed in the 1960s by a group of dedicated youngsters who wished to continue playing after leaving school. Under the baton of it's founder Gordon Cutler, it was based at the Central School (Further Education Centre) it quickly expanded into a full sized band. Within a short period of time a competent band had emerged and the Southampton Central (FEC) Band was officially registered as a contesting band in 1970, entering its first contest later that year. By 1979 the Band had gained promotion to the Championship Section, but by 1998 found itself back in the second section with its membership declining, prompting the amalgamation with Solent Brass to form Ocean Brass.

### **Southampton County Borough Police Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1928

### **Southampton Police Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Southampton Post Office Brass Band** - Hampshire

Founded in 1900. Active through to the 1910s

### **Southampton Postmen's Band**

See: *Southampton Post Office Brass Band*

### **Southampton Temperance Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the late 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor F. Haskell in 1886, W. Wheeler in 1905

### **Southampton Town Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active from the 1890s to WW1

### **Southampton Training Ship Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Training Ship Southampton Band*

### **Southborough Brass Band** - Kent

Formed in 1867, instruments costing £38 10s.

### **Southbourne Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, folding prior to WW1. Conductor F. Humby in 1904. A successor band was formed in 1925

### **Southbourne Silver Band**

See: *Winton British Legion Silver Band*

### **Southdown Brass Band** - Poyning's, Sussex

Active from the 1880s to 1917. Conductor Mr Barber in 1914

### **Southend Ambulance Brigade Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Southend Band*

### **Southend Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s - Former names: Southend Military Band, Southend Civil Defence Band, Southend Ambulance Brigade Band, Southend British Legion Band, Southend United Football Supporters' Club Band

### **Southend Borough Military Band** - Essex

Bandmaster: Fred Green. Between the Wars a band used to practice at the Drill Hall, near the Railway PH at Prittlewell. They used to wear Army uniforms, being associated with the Territorials and they went to Camp with the 2nd Essex Infantry Regiment. The last camp they attended was circa 1932. Philip William Laflin, a trombonist, took over as Bandmaster in 1936, when, under the shadow of impending war, it was renamed Southend Local Defence Volunteer Band. During the War it continued as a brass and

reed "military" combination under the title of the 16th Essex Home Guard Band. PWL remained Bandmaster, though not without some wrangling which made it to the national papers. "Army versus Pansies" was the headline in the Daily Mirror, because the Borough Parks Dept. were loathe to release Mr Laflin from his duties as Priory Park Head Gardener.

**Southend Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1866 to 1877

**Southend British Legion Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Southend Band*

**Southend Civil Defence Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Southend Band*

**Southend Military Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Southend Band*

**Southend Music School Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1970s

**Southend Original Town Band** - Essex

See: *Southend Town Band*

**Southend Seaside Gospel Mission Band** - Essex

Active in the 1920s

**Southend Temperance Band** - Essex

[no information]

**Southend Town Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Southend United Football Supporters Club Band**

See: *Southend United Supporters Club Band*

**Southend United Football Supporters' Club Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *Southend Band*

**Southend United Supporters Club Band** - Essex

Formed in 1953. Active into the 1960s. Conductor in 1955 was Wally Baldwin.

**Southend-on-Sea Gospel Mission Band**

See: *Southend Seaside Gospel Mission Band*

**Southern Railway Works Brass Band** - Lancing, Sussex

[no information]

**Southern Regional Schools Band**

See: *Darlington Youth Brass Band*

**Southery and Lakenheath Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1856

**Southfields Concert Brass** - Leicester, Leicestershire

[current band]

**Southminster Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1880, conductor P. Thornton. Conductor H. Lee in 1885, and A. Pipe in 1898. Still active in 1900.

**Southowram Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1901, disbanded in 1927 (or 1938?). Conductor J. Gill in 1901. The band won a special prize for cornet playing at Crystal Palace in 1923, and was one of the best bands in Calderdale in the early 20th century.

- Southowram Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Letters of the band (1869-1870) held in Halifax Public Library. The band was still active in 1928
- Southport A.S.C. Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1909
- Southport and District Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s
- Southport and Hindley Rifles Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1890
- Southport Artillery Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Southport British Legion Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Southport L and Y Railway Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Southport Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Band*
- Southport L.M.S. Railway Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Southport Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- Southport Pier Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1870
- Southport Post Office Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- Southport Rifles Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Had William Rimmer as a cornetist c.1880. In 1886 the Southport Rifles Band took 5th place in a brass band competition held at Eastham, Cheshire. In 1894 the annual Southport brass band competition was held at the Winter Gardens, Twenty seven bands had entered and twenty two showed up. Of the prize winning bands two were conducted by William Rimmer but neither was from Southport. The contest lasted five hours and as all the bands played the same tune (Elixir of Love).
- Southport Special Constabulary Band**  
See: *Tudor Silver Band*
- Southport St John Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Band of the local St John Ambulance Brigade. Active from the mid-1960s to the early 1990s
- Southport Youth Brass Band**  
See: *Southport and District Youth Brass Band*
- Southsea Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
Active in the 1880s. Conductor Robert Edwin Parry in 1887
- Southsea Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Southsea Silver Band** - Hampshire  
Active from the 1950s to the early 2000s. Renamed Lockett's Travel (Southsea) Band in 1985

**Southwark Borough Brass Band** - Surrey

Formed in the 1890s as London Carmen's No. 10 Brass Band. Renamed Southward Borough Band in 1903, conductor Mr W. Braben. The band motto was "It's Dogged As Does It". Still active through into the late 1920s

**Southwark Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1850s

**Southwark St George's Hall Temperance Band**

See: *South East London Mission Brass Band*

**Southwark United Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1880s

**Southwell Brass Band (1)** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the mid-1840s to the 1870s. Conductor Mr Manton in 1853

**Southwell Brass Band (2)** - Nottinghamshire

Founded in 1886, conductor Mr Mountney. Still active in 1937 and 1949 as Southwell Silver Band. Conductor Cecil Dyer in 1930

**Southwick Bottleworks Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1867 to 1869 - conductor G.W. Halden.

**Southwick Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s to the late 1880s. Conductor J. Henderson in 1867, J. Levitt in 1889

**Southwick Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the early 1900s, performing in Portsmouth

**Southwick Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1930s

**Southwick Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1900

**Southwick Mission Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s

**Southwick Parish Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s. Conductor George Stephenson

**Southwick People's Tabernacle Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1892 to 1906

**Southwick Public Works Band** - Durham

Founded in 1904. Active through the 1900s

**Southwick Shoreham and District Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1930s

**Sovereign Brass** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1987 - Former names: Sovereign Brass (to 1994), Woolley Pritchard Sovereign Brass

**Sovereign Silver Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Worthing Silver Band*

**Sowerby Bridge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Friendly Band*

**Sowerby Bridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Sowerby Bridge Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1882. Active to the 1950s

### **Spalding Brass** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1962 - Former names: Royal British Legion (Spalding) Band (to 2006), Royal British Legion (Lincolnshire) Band - Note: Formed from the remains of the disbanded Spalding Town Band (in 1959)

### **Spalding Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active from the mid-1840s to the early 1850s. A successor band was formed in 1857

### **Spalding Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1857, practicing two or three evenings a week at Mr Taylor's, New Road. Active through to the 1890s. New uniform in 1860, consisting of a light blue jacket and cap trimmed with amber cord, and white trousers. They rehearsed at the New Bell Inn, conductor Moses Dixon. In June 1870 two members of the band were "brought to grief for taking cigars whilst on professional duty at Parson Drove."

### **Spalding Silver Prize Band**

See: *Spalding Town Band*

### **Spalding St John's Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the early 1890s

### **Spalding Subscription Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Spalding Town Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1890s. Disbanded in 1959. Conductor E.T. Waring in 1904. Some members went on to form the Royal British Legion (Spalding) Band in 1962

### **Spalding Victoria Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s and 1920s. Conductor J.D. Trengove in 1904

### **Spalding Youth Brass** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1989

### **Spanish Leather Works Brass Band** - Hunslet, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Hunslet Leather Works Band*

### **Spanish Leather Works Brass Band** - Sheepscar, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Sheepscar Leather Works Brass Band*

### **Sparkford Vale Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s, conductor J.T. Hoare.

### **Spaxton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1868

### **Speedwell Colliery Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the early 1880s. Amalgamated with the Berry Hill Temperance Band to form Berry Hill Silver Band in 1911.

### **Speen Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1930s. Conductor W. Plumridge in 1891-1919, D.F. Bristow in 1936

### **Spen Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s, conductor C. Summerside in 1881

### **Spen Excelsior Brass Band**

See: *Spen Brass Band*

### **Spen Valley Brass Band** - Gomersal, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Established in 1971 as the Gomersal Junior Band, it changed its name to the Spen Valley Brass Band in 1978 to attract older players, and steadily grew from strength to strength. It was still active in 2003, but probably folded soon after.



- Spen Valley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Gomersal Junior Band - Note: May have amalgamated with Grange Moor Band in 2005?
- Spenborough Brass Band**  
 See: *Spenborough Victoria Band*
- Spenborough Rechabites Band** - Cleckheaton, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1930s
- Spenborough Victoria Band** - Cleckheaton, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Formed after WW1 (in 1919?). Active in 1936. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by M. Nevin, whose son played solo horn. Another player at this time was Ken Rushworth, who played euphonium and taught the youngsters. The band practiced above a shop in the middle of Cleckheaton
- Spencer Place Excelsior Mission Band** - Finsbury, Middlesex  
 Founded in 1908, conductor E.J. Scotton. Based at the Spencer Place Baptist Mission in Charles Street (now Moreland Street)
- Spencer's Steelworks Band** - Newburn, Northumberland  
 Played at the Manor of Newburn Show in August 1853. Active in the National Championships in the early 1900s. Still active in the mid-1920s.
- Spennymoor Brass Band (1)** - Durham  
 Active in 1866, conductor Mr Bluett
- Spennymoor Brass Band (2)** - Durham  
 See: *Whitworth Brass Band*
- Spennymoor Mission Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active in 1888
- Spennymoor Silver Model Band** - Durham  
 See: *Whitworth Brass Band*
- Spennymoor Silver Prize Band** - Durham  
 See: *Whitworth Brass Band*
- Spennymoor Sons of Temperance Band** - Durham  
 Active in 1887, conductor J.A. Mutton. Still active in the 1930s
- Spennymoor Temperance Band** - Durham  
 See: *Spennymoor Sons of Temperance Band*
- Spennymoor Town Band** - Durham  
 See: *Whitworth Brass Band*
- Spennymoor Town Band** - Durham  
 [current band] - Founded in 1982 - Note: A previous Spennymoor Band had existed from the 1800s until it folded in 1978
- Spennymoor Youth Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active in the 1990s
- Spetisbury Brass Band** - Dorset  
 Active in 1864
- Spicers Silver Band**  
 See: *Spicers Works Brass Band*
- Spicers Works Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire  
 Active in the 1950s and early 1960s
- Spillers (Gainsborough) Band**  
 See: *Gainsborough Britannia Works Band*

**Spilsby Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1844 to the 1850s. It had largely died out by 1858, with only a few players haphazardly getting together occasionally

**Spilsby Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

See: *Spilsby Amateur Brass Band*

**Spilsby Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1874, conductor Mr. Day. Active in the 1920s

**Spink Well and Calder Mills Band**

See: *Spinkwell Mills Band*

**Spink Well Mills Band**

See: *Spinkwell Mills Band*

**Spinkwell Mills Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1866, when won first prize and £20 in the "at sight" contest and first prize, and £10 in the own choice selection contest also, at the Keighley Agricultural Show in September 1866. Based at Messrs Mark Oldroyd & Sons, woollen manufacturers.

**Spinnaker Brass** - Fareham, Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Spinner's Band** - Dunbartonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Duntocher Brass Band*

**Spital Hill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1890s to WW1. Conductor W. R. Fisher in 1903

**Spitalfields Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1861

**Spittal Brass Band (1)** - Northumberland

Active in the 1870s to 1888. Conductor Thomas Jackson in 1880. James Rutherford (d. 1939) started his musical career as a drummer with the Spittal Band in 1878, but soon became their solo cornet player, remaining as such until it disbanded.

**Spittal Brass Band (2)** - Northumberland

Re-formed in 1889, conductor James Rutherford. Still active in 1899, conductor Mr McLeod

**Spittlegate Iron Works Brass Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

Report on the band's formation in 1856: "A number of the workmen and employees at Messrs. Hornsby's works have formed among themselves a brass band, which is progressing so industriously, and so favourably, as to give promise of great efficiency. They propose not to confine themselves to their own practice room, but to play during the summer evenings on the Wood Hill, or elsewhere, pro bono publico - an intention which the dearth of public amusement in Grantham will doubtless cause to be warmly appreciated. The band numbers from 35 to 40 performers, several of whom formerly belonged to the militia band. The instruments are of first-class character, having been procured from Messrs. Distin, of London, the cost being raised by weekly subscription."

**Sploitt Orpheus Temperance Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s, conductor T. Loman in 1904

**Spon Lane Gasworks Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Spondon Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Spondon Grange Brass Band*

### **Spondon Foresters' Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1869, conductor W. King

### **Spondon Grange Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1840s. Also known as Spondon Brass Band. Conductor George Wright in 1868, Edward Thompson in 1903, F.S. Ward in 1920, Captain F.C. Ward in 1923, Captain F. Marsden in 1929. In 1926 it organised its fifth annual brass band contest for the Finney Challenge Cup, on June 5th 1926. "Admission to the Ground" was 1/- "including tax", and twopence for the programme and further twopence for a chair. The test piece was "Melodious Gems" and ten bands entered: Heanor Miners Welfare Band (F. Beecroft, Esq), Ripley United Silver Prize Band (W.J. Saint, Esq), Middleton Victoria Silver Band (H. Holmes, Esq.), Sandiacre Brass Band (W. Wells, Esq.), Dove Holes Public Prize Band (J.W.Greenwood, Esq.), Long Eaton Silver Prize Band (H. Evetts, Esq.), Stapleford Silver Band (W. Wood, Esq.), Pleasley Colliery Band (H. Lambeth, Esq.), Sawley Brotherhood Band (F. Yeomand, Esq.), Swadlincote Town Silver Prize Band (A. Hilton, Esq.). The Middleton Victoria Silver Band won the contest; with Dove Holes Public Prize Band winning the subsequent own choice march contest. Long Eaton Silver Prize Band was second and Pleasley Colliery Band third in each contest. Still active in the 1930s

### **Spotland Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1860s

### **Spratton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed around November 1889 by W. Thompson and Mr Levi Richardson. Money to buy the expensive instruments was raised by whist-drives, bazaars and fetes. After a particularly successful bazaar held in one of George Cooper's fields in 1890 the Band wrote in the Parish Magazine that they wanted to express "their warmest thanks to all those who on this and other occasions have so kindly assisted them in clearing off the heavy debt upon their instruments." Although they were enthusiastic music makers, their playing to start with was not always of the best as the Vicar gently suggested in 1891 after a concert given by the Band for the benefit of widows in the parish. "The attendance was large?and the Band acquitted themselves very well in four pieces, showing by their execution that they continue to improve, and bearing out the promise to which their earlier efforts had already given rise." They must have improved with practice because later, under their conductor Levi Richardson, they won second prize at the Village Contest for Brass Bands held at Ravensthorpe. The village enjoyed their music and they played for many different festive occasions. One such event was the party held to celebrate the return of Richard Gilby's son Alfred, from the South African (Boer) War in 1901. A villager remembered "what rejoicings there were when our boys came home. The Band met them at the railway station and people of the village pulled them up from the station with ropes." The Brass Band played on Hospital Sunday each August when they marched round the village collecting for local hospitals. Many of the bandsmen left to fight in the 1914-1918 war, and the last time they all played together was in 1918 for the village peace celebrations under their conductor William Richardson, son of Levi Richardson and church organist for about 36 years.

### **Spriggs Brass Band** - Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire

[no information]

### **Spring Bank Orphanage Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Spring Bank Orphanage Brass Band*

- Spring Garden Engine Works Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1866. Thompson, Boyd & Co. was an engineering and ironfoundry firm producing stationary and marine engines at their works in Spring Garden Terrace. Still active in 1868, conductor Mr Spinks
- Spring Gardens (Reading) Band** - Berkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Reading Spring Gardens Brass Band*
- Spring Gardens Mission Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire  
Active in 1903
- Spring Gardens Wesleyan Band** - Berkshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Reading Spring Gardens Brass Band*
- Spring Head Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Haworth Brass Band*
- Spring Hill Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Spring Hill Temperance Band*
- Spring Hill Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s, to 1866
- Spring Vale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s
- Springbank Orphan Home Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1885.
- Springburn Public Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active from the 1890s to WW1. James Reid's gift of a bandstand to the people of Springburn in 1891 had highlighted the absence of any recreational area and led to the creation of Springburn Park. The bandstand, manufactured by Walter McFarlane's Saracen Works, was erected in May 1893 and was the park's original centrepiece. Performances by groups such as the Springburn Silver Prize Band took place twice weekly from May to December and were intimated by the Union Jack flying from the nearby flagpole. Up to 2000 people attended the summer concerts. The bandstand was later moved and placed in an amphitheatre and surrounded by railings, before being removed altogether in the early 1960s due to increasing maintenance costs. The unicorn fountain now sits on the old site of the bandstand.
- Springburn Rechabite Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Springburn Silver Band**  
See: *Springburn Public Band*
- Springburn Sons of Temperance Brass Band**  
See: *Springburn Temperance Band*
- Springburn Temperance Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active from the 1890s to WW1.
- Springfield Brass Band** - Bexhill, Sussex  
Active in 1911
- Springfield Brass Band** - Chelmsford, Essex  
Active in the 1860s, conductor Mr Allen in 1862
- Springfield Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from 1875 to the late 1880s. Conductor Mr Glen in 1884

- Springfield Hall Wesleyan Brass Band** - Lambeth, Surrey  
 Founded in 1902, conductor Mr Young. Active to the 1920s. Based at the Springfield Methodist Church on Wandsworth Road.
- Springfield Working Men's Club Band** - near Wolverhampton, Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1930s
- Springhead Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1870s
- Springhill Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
 Active in the 1860s
- Springside Wesleyan Sunday School Temperance Band** - Rawtenstall, Lancashire  
 Founded in 1888, conductor James Uttley. The church was located in Newchurch Street, Rawtenstall
- Springwood Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1930s
- Sprowston Brass Band** - Norfolk  
 Merged with Hellesdon Enterprise Brass Band in 2004 to form Hellesdon and Sprowston Brass
- Sproxton Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
 Formed in 1906 with 22 members, secretary J. Hazlewood. Conductor Mr Smith in 1909, A. Alexander in 1912-1920. The band was still active in 1945
- Sproxton Subscription Brass Band**  
 See: *Sproxton Brass Band*
- SS Peter and Paul's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
 Active in 1863. Based at St Peter and St Paul Roman Catholic Church, Pilkington Street
- St Abbs Brass Band** - Berwickshire  
 Active in the 1870s
- St Agnes Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall  
 Active from the 1850s to the 1870s. Their uniform in 1853 was in "crimson and gold".
- St Agnes Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall  
 Formed in the early 1880s, conducted by Samuel Argall. Also known as the St Agnes Independent Band. Presumed to have folded by the early 1900s when it was succeeded by the new St Agnes Town Band (in 1907).
- St Agnes Independent Band**  
 See: *St Agnes Brass Band (2)*
- St Agnes Mission Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
 In 1894 it took part in a temperance procession at Downend on July 11th, conductor Mr Archard.
- St Agnes Red Coats Brass Band** - Cornwall  
 Active in the 1880s, conducted by Joseph Roberts.
- St Agnes Silver Band** - Cornwall  
 [current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: St Agnes Town Band
- St Agnes Youth Brass Band** - Cornwall  
 Active in the 1980s and early 1990s
- St Aidan's Band** - Grangetown, Durham  
 Active in 1906, conductor J. Shotton. Based at St Aidan's Mission Hall in Grangetown

**St Aidan's Nautical Training School Band** - Farnworth, Lancashire

The school was established in 1905 at Norland Lane, Farnworth, near Widnes. The band was active through to the 1920s. The school was set up by the Liverpool Catholic Training Schools Association (originally known as the Liverpool Catholic Reformatory Association) as the land-based successor to the Training Ship Clarence which had been destroyed by fire in 1899.

**St Alban's Abbey Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s.

**St Alban's Beaumont Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the early 1900s to 1910s. Conductor J. Wilson in 1908

**St Alban's Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

See: *Cardiff St Albans Brass Band*

**St Alban's Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

See: *Liverpool St Albans Brass Band*

**St Alban's Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Formed in 1856. Conductor Mr Westeil in 1859. Active through to the late 1860s. A successor band, the current St Albans City Band, was formed in 1892

**St Alban's C.E.T.S. Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s

**St Albans City Band** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1892

**St Alban's Old Abbey Brass Band**

See: *St Alban's Abbey Brass Band*

**St Alban's R.C. Band**

See: *Cardiff St Albans Brass Band*

**St Alkmund's Mission Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active in 1932, conductor Arthur B. Willcox

**St Alkmund's Temperance Band** - Shrewsbury, Shropshire

See: *St Alkmund's Total Abstinence Society Brass Band*

**St Alkmund's Total Abstinence Society Brass Band** - Shrewsbury, Shropshire

Active in 1864 to 1869. Conductor J.C. Bowdler in 1867

**St Alphonsus Temperance Crusade Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire

Active in 1877

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk

Active in the early 1900s

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - Cathays, Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s, conductor D. Morgan, secretary W. Hobbs, 76 Wyeverne Road, Cathays, Cardiff.

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - Chester-le-Street, Durham

See: *Chester-le-Street St Andrews Brass Band*

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - Marsden, Durham

See: *Marsden St Andrews Band*

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Gave its first performance in November 1867, conducted by John Amers. Probably linked to St Andrew's Catholic Church. Still active in 1869

**St Andrew's Brass Band** - North Shields, Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s and folded around WW2

- St Andrew's Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
Active in the 1880s, conducted by T. Radcliffe.
- St Andrew's Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Linked to the St Andrews Middle School in Derby, it was active in the 1880s. W. Scholes teacher in 1881
- St Andrew's Brass Band** - Fife  
See: *St Andrew's City Brass Band*
- St Andrew's Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Longton St Andrew's Brass Band*
- St Andrew's Catholic Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
See: *St Andrew's Roman Catholic Brass Band*
- St Andrew's CE High School for Boys Band (Worthing)** - Sussex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Worthing Silver Band*
- St Andrew's City Brass Band** - Fife  
Active from 1861 through to the 1920s. Conducted by Mr Auchterlonies in 1901, John Faulds in 1928
- St Andrew's Crusaders Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
Active in 1886
- St Andrew's Junior Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull St Andrew's Junior Brass Band*
- St Andrew's Pelton Fell Brass Band**  
See: *Chester-le-Street St Andrews Brass Band*
- St Andrew's Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
Active in 1864
- St Andrew's Works Brass Band** - Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk  
Active in 1899, attached to Robert Boby's factory.
- St Anne's Adult School Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1914
- St Anne's Amateur Brass Band** - St Annes-on-Sea,  
Active in 1888
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire  
Active in 1860
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Brown Edge, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Hindsford, Tyldesley, Lancashire  
See: *Hindsford St Anne's Band*
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *St Ann's Catholic Brass Band*
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Lytham St Anne's, Lancashire  
See: *St Anne's-on-the-Sea Brass Band*
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Sale, Cheshire  
See: *Sale St Anne's Brass Band*
- St Anne's Brass Band** - Turton, Lancashire  
See: *Turton Church Brass Band*
- St Anne's Catholic Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1853, conductor Rev. Canon Brown

- St Anne's Subscription Band** - Lytham St Anne's, Lancashire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- St Anne's-on-the-Sea Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the 1880s to the 1930s.
- St Anthony Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the late 1880s
- St Anthony's Lead Works Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1860
- St Asaph Excelsior Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Formed in 1872, still active in 1892
- St Athanasius Band** - Kirkdale, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s, based at the St Athanasius Church
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Coatbridge, Lanarkshire  
See: *Coatbridge St Augustine's Band*
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Highbury, Middlesex  
Active in the 1890s
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Langloan,  
See: *Coatbridge St Augustine's Band*
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1884, conductor J. Humphreys
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Musselburgh, Midlothian  
See: *Musselburgh St Augustine's Band*
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - New Basford, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s, founded by Henry Marcer and based at St Augustine's Church.
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk  
Active in 1842. The band was attached to Mr Geary's factory.
- St Augustine's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor John Walker (of Brownedge) in 1858
- St Augustine's Home for Boys Band** - Sevenoaks, Kent  
Active in the 1930s. The home was established by the Waifs and Strays Society in 1921 at St John's Road, Sevenoaks. By 1932, the home had become a 'Special Training Home' for older boys who wished to become military bandsmen. The home's band proved very popular and often performed at local events. The home closed in 1938.
- St Austell and District Wartime Band** - Cornwall  
Founded in 1917 to welcome home soldiers. Bandmaster S. Rowe
- St Austell Kernow Band**  
See: *Kernow Brass*
- St Austell Miners' Saxtuba Band**  
See: *St Austell Saxtuba Brass Band*
- St Austell Sax Horn Band**  
See: *St Austell Saxtuba Brass Band*
- St Austell Saxtuba Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1852, 1858
- St Austell Town Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1837 - Note: St Austell, December 1837: ?It gives us much pleasure to announce that several young men of this town have formed themselves into an amateur brass band, under the able tuition of Mr. Colless, professor of music from



Jersey, whose efforts to instruct them seem to be crowned with complete success. During the past week, they have been playing several popular airs in public; and their proficiency not only reflected the highest credit on both tutor and pupils, but gave general satisfaction to all who heard them. We trust they will persevere, and that Mr. Colless may meet with that encouragement which his endeavours to please so justly entitle him to receive.?

**St Barnabas' Brass Band** - Crewe, Cheshire

See: *Crewe St Barnabas' Brass Band*

**St Barnabas' Men's Bible Class Band**

See: *St Barnabas' Men's Own Band*

**St Barnabas' Men's Own Band** - Holloway, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s, based at the mission in Hornsey Road.

**St Bartholomew's Brass Band** - Wilmslow, Cheshire

Active from the 1870s to the late 1960s. Conductor W. Perry in 1888, Dan Mottram in 1891, Joe Jessup in 1910, Reg Jenkins in 1962. Other players in 1962 included Len Cooper, Harold Hewitt, Len Phillips, Reg Jones, Mike Jenkins and Graham McLelland. Still active in 2015

**St Bede's Brass Band**

See: *St Bede's Catholic Band*

**St Bede's Catholic Band** - South Shields, Durham

Active from the 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Maughan in 1862. Came third in a contest in North Shields, £3, conducted by Mr Moyneugh

**St Bees Brass Band** - Cumberland

Founded in November 1859, ceased to play about 1930. Perhaps because of the many miners in the village, St. Bees had its own brass band. At its peak it had about 20 players and played for village fetes and dances. Members in 1860 were: Mr Coulthad (bandmaster), John Sharp, William Geldart, Mossop Sharp, John Kitchin, Richard Nicholson, George Gardner, William Scott and Benjamin Jackson (drummer). In 1917, fearing that the instruments might be split up, the Band made the Parish Council the trustees of the instruments and the "Band Room". However, interest was not sustained, and by 1924 the Parish Council was enquiring if the band was still functioning. In 1929, after a silver cornet was stolen, the band was dissolved, and the Council stored the instruments under the stage in Hodgetts Club upper room, where they gathered dust. The Band Room was a corrugated iron shed built in 1914 down Gas House Lonning. After 1929 it lay unused, until in 1933 the St. Bees Unemployed Men's Club and the St. Bees (pigeon) Flying Club used it for their meetings. There were several requests to use the instruments but the Trust agreement stipulated that they could only be used by the St. Bees Village Band. Since this was defunct, they could not be used at all. The instruments were preserved; but in silence. The sad end of this story of village music making was in 1947, when the instruments were finally sold for £50 to Boosey and Hawkes, the money raised going to the Pagan Trust fund. A year later the redundant Band Room was disposed of for £23.

**St Bernard's Brass Band** - Devon

Performed in Exmouth in 1926

**St Bernard's Parish Church Band** - Hutesontown, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1900s, conductor Joseph Muirhead in 1906. Bandmaster Forbes Taylor in 1907, Neil Kerr in 1908.

**St Blazey Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed around 1838. Active through to WW1.

**St Blazey and District Band** - Cornwall

Formed after WW1, possibly in 1919. Active through to the early 1950s. Another report gives its foundation as 1908, conductor Mr Clemens

**St Blazey Brass Band**

See: *St Blazey Amateur Brass Band*

**St Boswell's Brass Band** - Roxburghshire

See: *St Boswell's Silver Band*

**St Boswells Concert Band** - Roxburghshire

[current band] - Founded in 1946

**St Boswell's Instrumental Band** - Roxburghshire

See: *St Boswell's Silver Band (1)*

**St Boswell's Silver Band (1)** - Roxburghshire

Founded by subscription, the first 8 instruments arrived in September 1856. Conductor Mr Lamb in 1863. It lasted until 1865.

**St Boswell's Silver Band (2)** - Roxburghshire

Formed in 1867, active until 1872.

**St Boswell's Silver Band (3)** - Roxburghshire

Formed in 1896, but had to find new instruments as the original ones from the previous band had all disappeared. After donations and a house to house collection sufficient was raised to purchase the core instruments: 4 Cornets, 2 Tenor horns, 1 Baritone, 1 Euphonium and 2 E Flat Bombardons. A drum was added the following year, a conductor, Mr Gray, appointed and before long the band was performing in public. During 1898 the band gave 52 public performances, giving Saturday evening concerts and visiting the local Mansion Houses. The strength having risen to 20, more new instruments were added, bringing the total to 20 plus the drum. The band died again about 1906.

**St Boswell's Silver Band (4)** - Roxburghshire

Formed in 1927, active until 1933. A successor band was formed in 1945 which is still active today.

**St Breage Brass Band**

See: *Breage Brass Band*

**St Breward Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1899

**St Brides Brass Band**

See: *Motherwell St Brides Brass Band*

**St Buryan Brass Band**

See: *St Buryan Independant Brass Band*

**St Buryan Independant Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1880s to the 1940s. In 1893 it was reported to be in "weak state, owing to the emmigration of its members, and about to lost its leader - Mr H. Prowse - who is going to America".

**St Catherine's Amateur Brass Band** - Bramley, Surrey

Active in 1865, 1866. Conductor Mr Botting in 1866

**St Catherine's Brass Band** - Wigan, Lancashire

See: *Wigan St Catherine's Brass Band*

- St Catherine's Public Subscription Brass Band** - Newton Heath, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. St Catherine's, Collyhurst Road. Also known as Manchester St Catherine's Band
- St Chad's Sunday School Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in 1919
- St Charles' Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *St Charles' Catholic Brass Band*
- St Charles' Catholic Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1859, conductor J. Brown, through to 1867. Based at the St Charles School Room in Pryme Street. Mr Sandys was a bombardon player in the band prior to 1861
- St Charles' School Band** - Brentwood, Essex  
Active in the 1900s to 1930s. St Charles' School (or Orphanage) for Roman Catholic Boys was established around 1884. The band competed at the Crystal Palace in 1907
- St Clair Brass Band** - Boreland, Fife  
Formed in 1881, conductor James Patterson. Still active in 1889
- St Cleer Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor F. Trenberth in 1904
- St Clement's Band** - Barnsbury, Middlesex  
Founded in 1907, conductor Joseph Head
- St Clement's Brass Band** - Leigh-on-Sea, Essex  
See: *Leigh St Clement's Brass Band*
- St Clement's Brass Band** - Lochee, Dundee, Angus  
Active in 1863
- St Clement's Brass Band** - Urmston,  
See: *Urmston St Clement's Brass Band*
- St Columb Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1884 and between 1912 and 1923. Bandmaster W.H., Webber in 1915. The band was also active in the late 1990s, but probably folded around 2003.
- St Columb Major Town Band**  
See: *St Columb Brass Band*
- St Columb Minor Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1883
- St Cross Brass Band** - Knutsford, Cheshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s, conductor Mr Moody, of Altrincham.
- St Cuthbert's Brass Band** - Cowpen, Northumberland  
Active from the 1860s to the 1880s. James Doyle secretary in 1871. Still active in 1887
- St Cuthbert's Brass Band** - Haydon Bridge, Northumberland  
Active in 1887
- St Cuthbert's Brass Band** - Wigton, Cumberland  
Active in 1865
- St Cuthbert's Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland  
See: *Workington St Cuthbert's Brass Band*
- St Cynon's Brass Band** - Tregynon, Montgomeryshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- St Cyprian's (Ordsall) Scout Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
See: *St Cyprian's Brass Band*

- St Cyprian's Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1926
- St David's Brass** - Dalkeith, Midlothian  
[current band] - Founded in 1981 - Former names: St.Davids High School Brass Band.
- St David's Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
Active in the 1880s
- St Davids High School Brass Band** - Dalkeith, Midlothian  
[previous name of current band] See: *St David's Brass*
- St David's Silver Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
See: *Preston St David's Band*
- St Day Amateur Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s, conductor T. Cara
- St Day Brass Band** - Cornwall  
See: *St Day Amateur Band*
- St Decuman's Amateur Brass Band** - Watchet,  
Active in 1879
- St Dennis Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1836
- St Dennis Temperance Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1910
- St Denys Brass Band** - Ibstock,  
See: *Ibstock St Denys Brass Band*
- St Denys Brunswick Mission Brass Band** - Eastleigh, Hampshire  
Active in 1897, through the 1900s
- St Denys Primitive Methodist Band** - Eastleigh, Hampshire  
See: *St Denys Brunswick Mission Brass Band*
- St Dominick Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1870s
- St Dunstan's Mayfield Band** - Sussex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Mayfield Band*
- St Edmund's Bury Brass Band** - Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk  
Active in 1833
- St Edmund's Catholic Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1886
- St Edward's Brass Band** - Clifford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Founded in 1854. Associated with St Edward's Church
- St Edward's Brass Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire  
See: *Runcorn St Edward's Brass Band*
- St Edward's Orphanage Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1910s to 1940s. The orphanage opened in 1906 at Broadgreen and functioned until 1956 and was famed for its lively band and successful football team. A song about the St Edwards Orphanage Band was written by Tony Flanagan as a tribute to his father who was in the band. The band would follow the May processions around Liverpool and when the orphan lads would pass St Mary's of the Angels the crowd would all give them a big cheer. The lads in the band all left St Edwards orphanage at sixteen and joined the army together - his father watched most of the band die on a green field in France, and he would say that those lads were forgotten the second they hit the

ground, with family to mourn them - so every Christmas his father would raise his glass and toast the boys of St Edwards boys band.

**St Edward's School Band**

See: *St Edward's Orphanage Band*

**St Enoder Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Conductor Mr Old in 1890.

**St Erth Brass Band - Cornwall**

Formed in the 1880s. Conductor R.J. Nicholas in 1902, F. Nicholas in 1914. Re-organised in March 1914 under conductor Richard Rogers, secretary P.C. Harris. Conductor Stuart Rowe in 1920. Folded some time before 1970. Reformed in 1973 and then converted to a concert band around 1995, and still active in that format.

**St Erth Independant Brass Band - Cornwall**

[no information]

**St Erth Silver Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1920s

**St Ervan Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Old in 1890.

**St Francis Brass Band - Cardiff, Glamorgan**

Active in 1904, bandmaster Mr Ling

**St Francis Brass Band - Gorton, Lancashire**

Active in 1887 through to the 1900s. Conductor William Mainey in 1902

**St Francis de Sales Brass Band - Liverpool, Lancashire**

Active in the 1930s

**St Francis Silver Band - Glasgow, Lanarkshire**

See: *Glasgow St Francis Brass Band*

**St Gennys Silver Band - Cornwall**

[current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: St Gennys Brass Band, St Gennys Silver Prize Band - Note: Formed in March 1907 by schoolmaster A. Cooke.

**St Genny's Silver Band - Cornwall**

Formed in March 1907 by schoolmaster A. Cooke. Still active beyond 2010

**St George Brass Band - Denbighshire**

Active in 1865

**St George in the East Union School Band - Essex**

See: *Upton Park Poor Law School Band*

**St George's (Pendleton) Band**

Active in 1883, when some of its members played at the funeral of John Leah, trombonist in the Pendleton Brass Band.

**St George's Asylum Band - Staffordshire**

See: *Stafford County Asylum Band*

**St George's Brass Band - Bristol, Gloucestershire**

See: *Bristol St George's Brass Band*

**St George's Brass Band - Lancaster, Lancashire**

Formed in 1883, held its first anniversary concert in the Palatine Hall in April 1884.

**St George's Brass Band - Liverpool, Lancashire**

Active in the late 1850s, conductor Mr Broadhurst

**St George's Brass Band - Pendleton, Lancashire**

See: *Pendleton St George's Brass Band*

- St George's Brass Band** - Wellington, Shropshire  
See: *Wellington St George's Old Brass Band*
- St George's Brass Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s
- St George's Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- St George's Brass Band** - Denbighshire  
See: *St George Brass Band*
- St George's Brotherhood Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Formed around 1907
- St George's Church Institute Band** - Chorley, Lancashire  
Formed in 1900 and set to work at once to buy a set of instruments at a cost of over £200 and also a complete set of uniforms. It seems that the band was a highly successful part of the Church's life but unfortunately the group was later disbanded and the instruments sold. Still active in 1910.
- St George's Church Schools Brass Band** - Everton, Lancashire  
Active in 1864, 1865
- St George's Enterprise Brass Band**  
See: *Bristol St George's Brass Band*
- St George's Hall Brass Band**  
See: *South East London Mission Brass Band*
- St George's Industrial School Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor Joseph Leadbetter in 1903. The school was located on West Derby Road and was founded in 1851, moving to West Derby Road in 1863.
- St George's Industrial School Brass Band** - Essex  
See: *Upton Park Poor Law School Band*
- St George's Old Band**  
See: *St George's Brass Band (Wellington)*
- St George's Saxhorn Band** - Lochee, Angus  
Active in 1863, when it played at the opening of Dundee People's Park. Still active in 1864
- St George's School Brass Band** - Everton, Lancashire  
See: *St George's Church Schools Brass Band*
- St George's Silver Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1930s
- St George's Temperance Band**  
See: *Lilleshall Colliery Band*
- St George's Works Brass Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire  
Active in 1883, 1885. Attached to Williamson's factory producing oilcloth and linoleum.
- St George's Works Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor J. Jones in 1905. Based at the Howlett and White Shoe factory
- St Germans Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1870s to the 1920s
- St Germans Brass Band** - Norfolk  
See: *Wiggenhall United Brass Band*

**St Germoe Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1877

**St Giles Brass Band** - Killamarsh, Derbyshire

See: *Killamarsh St Giles Band*

**St Giles Church Band** - Killamarsh, Derbyshire

See: *St Giles Brass Band*

**St Giles Temperance Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1869

**St Helen Auckland Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1870s to the 1920s. Conductor J. Frankland in 1902. Also known as St Helen's West Auckland Band, and St Helen's Bishop Auckland Band

**St Helena Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the early 1860s, located at St Helena Gardens. In 1864 there was a fire at the St Helena beerhouse, which destroyed the building and a number of the band's instruments. At the time of the fire there was 24lbs of gunpowder stored in the house.

**St Helen's Auckland Brass Band**

See: *St Helen Auckland Brass Band*

**St Helen's Bishop Auckland Band**

See: *St Helen Auckland Brass Band*

**St Helen's Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**St Helen's Brass Band** - Ore, Sussex

See: *Ore St Helens Brass Band*

**St Helen's Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1860s - Played at the Free Wesleyans tea party in the village. The conductor was Mr. Lillywhite, the foreman of Mr. Wade's mill, who had devoted a considerable amount of time, and money too, in order to enable the inhabitants of this retired village to have an occasional musical treat. The band was composed of young men, natives of the village, and nearly all of them are indebted to Mr. Lillywhite for their musical acquirements. A few days earlier the band played at Nunwell Park on the occasion of a field day of the volunteers. Sir Henry Oglantler and several officers of the corps expressed themselves highly pleased with the performance of these St. Helen's lads, and a proposal was made to them to become the band of the "gallant company of which the worthy baronet was the captain".

**St Helen's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 2000s

**St Helen's Catholic Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in 1879

**St Helen's Music Centre Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1980s

**St Helen's Parish Church Army Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s and 1970s

**St Helen's Town Band** - Lancashire

[no information]

**St Helen's Volunteers Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1918

### **St Helen's West Auckland Band**

See: *St Helen Auckland Brass Band*

### **St Helier Girls School Brass Band - Isle of Jersey**

Active in the 1970s

### **St Hilda (Southwick) Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s, attached to St Hildas Church, Southwick, Sunderland

### **St Hilda Band**

See: *St Hilda Colliery Band*

### **St Hilda Colliery Band - South Shields, Durham**

Formed in 1869 by John Dennison of the 3rd Durham Artillery Volunteers Band, at the request of a group of miners, under the name of St Hilda Colliery Brass Band. In the early years the band was also known at times as, "Dennison's Family Band", "Dennison's Borough Band", and "South Shields Borough Band". Financial help was obtained from the St Hilda Miners' Lodge in 1905 and the band was renamed St Hilda Colliery Silver Band, appointing JA Greenwood as its conductor - the first of several professional conductors to lead the band to the very top. Contest successes prior to the First World War and thereafter in the early 1920s demonstrated their position as one of the leading bands of the day. When the colliery closed in 1925 the band continued under the name of St Hilda Band, but with the members relying on the engagements and contest wins for their living. This resulted in them being barred from contesting as a "professional" band. After ten years as a professional band St Hildas Band folded in 1937.

### **St Hilda Colliery Band (2) - South Shields, Durham**

Another band was formed in 1930, achieving success at several local contests, but was disbanded 1940

### **St Issey Brass Band (1) - Cornwall**

Active from the 1870s disbanding in 1907. Conductor Henry Biddick in 1883, Mr Parsons in 1904. A successor band was formed in the 1920s

### **St Issey Brass Band (2) - Cornwall**

Probably formed after WW1, active through to the 1960s

### **St Issey Silver Band**

See: *St Issey Brass Band (2)*

### **St Ive Village Band - Cornwall**

Founded in 1905, conductor Mr Trenberth

### **St Ives Brass Band (1) - Huntingdonshire**

Founded in 1861, conductor E. Martin. Active through to WW1. Conductor A. Edwards in 1906. Also known as Ivian Brass Band and St Ives Town Band.

### **St Ives Brass Band (2) - Huntingdonshire**

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

### **St Ives Brass Band (1) - Cornwall**

Active from the early 1860s to early 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1879

### **St Ives Brass Band (2) - Cornwall**

Formed in 1879, conductor C. Gordon Steer in 1898, folding some time before 1902.

### **St Ives Brass Band (3) - Cornwall**

In 1902 John Tanner was asked to restart the St Ives Town Band, and he approached the town council for the use of the instruments which had been paid for by public subscription. These had been handed over to the Artillery corps, and since they now had largely new instruments the council agreed the old ones should be recovered to



restart the band. Conductor Mr Osborne in 1908, John Tanner in 1923, E.J. Williams in 1925. Known as St Ives Silver Prize Band from the 1920s. Disbanded in 2004 - the remaining members forming St Ives Concert Band with the addition of woodwind and electric instruments.

**St Ives Junior Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

Active in 1868, 1869

**St Ives Silver Prize Band** - Cornwall

See: *St Ives Brass Band (3)*

**St Ives Town Band** - Cornwall

See: *St Ives Brass Band (3)*

**St Ivian Brass Band** - Huntingdonshire

See: *St Ives Brass Band (1)*

**St James' Birch Brass Band** - Birch, Lancashire

Active in 1897 and in 1902 when it led the Fallowfield Parochial celebrations for the coronation of Edward VII

**St James' Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

See: *St James' Church Mission Band*

**St James' Brass Band** - Birch, Lancashire

See: *St James' Birch Brass Band*

**St James' Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1865. Conductor James Booth in 1869

**St James' Brass Band** - Breightmet, Lancashire

See: *Breightmet School Brass Band*

**St James' Brass Band** - Congleton, Cheshire

Active in the 1860s. Associate with St James' Church. Still active in 1869

**St James' Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire

Active in the late 1880s and early 1890s. Bandmaster was Mr McCarthy, located at the Derby Arboretum.

**St James' Brass Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**St James' Brass Band** - Gorton, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Thomas German

**St James' Brass Band** - Haslingden, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s, conductor Wright Spencer in 1873

**St James' Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**St James' Brass Band** - Hindsford, Tyldesley, Lancashire

See: *Tyldesley St James' Brass Band*

**St James' Brass Band** - Millom, Cumberland

See: *Millom St James' Brass Band*

**St James' Brass Band** - Morpeth, Northumberland

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor Mr Miller in 1861, Mr Lazenby in 1862

**St James' Brass Band** - Northampton, Northamptonshire

Active in 1880

**St James' Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire

Active in 1888

- St James' Brass Band** - Wednesbury, Staffordshire  
Active in 1863 - linked to St James' Church. Still active in 1866
- St James' Church Army Band** - Stockport, Cheshire  
Active in 1887
- St James' Church Mission Band** - Bath, Somerset  
Active in 1905 to WW1, conductor H. Tett in 1912. A later band, formed in 1921 became the current Bath Spa Band
- St James' Church of England Brass Band** - Rusholme, Lancashire  
Active in 1897
- St James' Collyhurst Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1891
- St James' End Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active from 1882 to 1886
- St James' Hall Brotherhood Brass Band** - London  
Active in 1922
- St James' Industrial School Boys' Brass Band** - Westminster, Middlesex  
Active in 1863, 1864
- St James Mission Church Band** - Somerset  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bath Spa Band*
- St James' School Brass Band** - Denton, Lancashire  
Active in 1886
- St James' the Less Brass Band** - London (East)  
Active in the 1900s to 1914
- St John Ambulance Band** - Banbury, Oxfordshire  
See: *Banbury St John Ambulance Brass Band*
- St John Ambulance Band** - Bentley Colliery, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s
- St John Ambulance Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Bristol St John Ambulance Brass Band*
- St John Ambulance Band** - Castleford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- St John Ambulance Band** - Pontypridd, Glamorgan  
See: *Pontypridd St John Ambulance Band*
- St John Ambulance Band** - Rhyl,  
See: *Rhyl St John Ambulance Band*
- St John Ambulance Brigade Cadets Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s to 1950s
- St John Ambulance Silver Band** - Southport, Lancashire  
See: *Southport St John Silver Band*
- St John Ambulance Silver Band** - Weston-Super-Mare, Somerset  
[no information]
- St John the Baptist School Brass Band** - Woking, Surrey  
Active in the 1920s
- St John's (C. of E.) Brass Band** - Weston, Runcorn, Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s

- St John's (Mossley) Band** - Lancashire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1934 - Former names: Mossley (Home Guard) 35th Cheshire Regiment Band (during WW2)
- St John's Band** - Forres, Morayshire  
 Active in the 1890s. Conductor Harry Tuff in 1899
- St John's Band** - Newhall, Derbyshire  
 Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Booth in 1908
- St John's Brass Band** - Burgess Hill, Sussex  
 See: *St John's Common Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Based at St John's, Crockherbtown (an old district of the city).
- St John's Brass Band** - Cleator Moor, Cumberland  
 See: *Cleator Moor St John's Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - East Dulwich, Surrey  
 Active in the 1900s, disbanding in 1906
- St John's Brass Band** - Failsworth, Lancashire  
 Formed in 1893, disbanded in 1928.
- St John's Brass Band** - Farnworth, Lancashire  
 Attached to Farnworth Parish Church in the early 1860s. Several of its members joined the Barnes Band (Farnworth) around that time. Still active in 1869
- St John's Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
 See: *St John's Port Glasgow Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1930s. Possibly a successor to the St John's Hopwood Band?
- St John's Brass Band** - Hopwood, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1860s to 1880s.
- St John's Brass Band** - Irlam,  
 Formed in the 1880s, conductor J. Parker. Still active in 1906
- St John's Brass Band** - Pendlebury,  
 See: *Pendlebury St. John's Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Pontyberem,  
 See: *Pontyberem St John's Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Ravenhead,  
 See: *Ravenhead St John's Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Sacriston, Durham  
 See: *Sacriston St John's Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 See: *St John's Parish Brass Band*
- St John's Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
 Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Childs in 1887
- St John's Brass Band** - Tideswell, Derbyshire  
 Active in the 1880s
- St John's Brass Band** - Werneth, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1870s
- St John's Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland  
 See: *St John's Church Mission Brass Band (Workington)*

**St John's Brass Band**

See: *Spalding St John's Brass Band*

**St John's Castle Band** - Droylsden, Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1992 - Note: Formed in 1992 from the remnants of the Church Lads Brigade

**St John's Cathedral Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s to 1920s. Provided musical entertainment and accompanied a ceremony to cut the sod for the new St James' Catholic Church School, Seedley, on 20th August 1910

**St John's Chapel Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1864

**St John's Church Army Band** - Brighton, Sussex

Active in 1907

**St John's Church Army Band** - Workington, Cumberland

See: *Workington St John's Church Army Band*

**St Johns Church Band** - Newhall, Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**St John's Church Mission Brass Band** - Brighton, Sussex

See: *Brighton St John's Church Mission Band*

**St John's Church Mission Brass Band** - Workington, Cumberland

Active in the 1890s. It took part in a concert with Workington Vocal Union Voice Choir in 1892

**St John's Common Brass Band** - Burgess Hill, Sussex

Active in the 1870s. Still active in 1879

**St John's Home Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. The children's home was based in Bloomfield Street, Ipswich, opening in 1871. Conductor J.B. Leahy in 1888

**St John's Industrial School Brass Band** - Walthamstow, Essex

St John's Industrial School for Roman Catholic Boys was opened in 1870. The brass band was active in 1909, when it had 43 members. The school closed in 1932.

**St John's Parish Brass Band** - Park, Sheffield

Active in 1900 and 1905

**St John's Parish Church Brass Band** - Roughtown, Yorkshire, West Riding

Founded in early 1934 by Rev. W. Leeming

**St John's Port Glasgow Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

Active in the 1860s to the 1980s. In 1869, the conductor was Mr Cunningham.

**St John's Temperance Brass Band** - Tideswell, Derbyshire

Active in 1881

**St John's Wood Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1859, conductor J. Day

**St Joseph's Brass Band** - Aberavon, Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s

**St Joseph's Brass Band** - Altrincham, Cheshire

Active in the 1860s

**St Joseph's Brass Band** - Bedford, Leigh, Lancashire

See: *St Joseph's Catholic Brass Band*

- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Blantyre, Lanarkshire  
See: *Blantyre St Joseph's Brass Band*
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Brindle, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Dumfries, Dumfriesshire  
See: *St Joseph's College Brass Band*
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
Active from the early 1910s to the mid-1920s. A catholic band from the west end of the city.
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Edinburgh, Midlothian  
Active in 1861. The band was attached to the catholic Guild of St Joseph in the city
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Frizington, Cumberland  
See: *Frizington St Joseph's Band*
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Gateshead, Durham  
Active in 1869. Associated with St Joseph's Catholic Church
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s, conductor M. Connolly in 1891
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Peasley Cross, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s. Possibly linked to the St Joseph's schools in the town.
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Conductor Mr Ingram in the early 1870s.
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Stockport, Cheshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- St Joseph's Brass Band** - Whitwick, Leicestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- St Joseph's Catholic Brass Band** - Bedford, Leigh, Lancashire  
Founded in 1858, linked to St Joseph's Catholic Schools originally. Active through to the 1900s. The band organised a contest in September 1884 at which the St Thomas' Band Bedford competed. The event was well reported in the both the Leigh Chronicle and the Leigh Journal with the St Thomas' Band under their conductor, Mr. J Frost, claiming the third prize of £2. The first prize going to Atherton Volunteers and the second to Farnworth Public.
- St Joseph's Catholic Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
Active in 1881, conductor T. Clark
- St Joseph's Catholic Brass Band** - Swansea, Glamorgan  
Founded in 1905, disbanded in 1915
- St Joseph's College Brass Band** - Clapham, Surrey  
Active in 1860
- St Joseph's College Brass Band** - Dumfries, Dumfriesshire  
Founded in 1880, conductor Herr Ludwig. Conductor Mr Faithful in 1908, still active in 1909
- St Joseph's Industrial School Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1875, 1897, 1914. Based at the school in Richmond Grove, which was established in 1871 to hold 350 boys.
- St Joseph's Orphanage Band** - Orpington, Kent  
Active in the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor T. Burt in 1900. The orphanage was located in Sevenoaks Road, and was established in 1892, housing 200 boys. Most of the boys (and

girls who were later also housed) were eventually sent overseas to Canada, being adopted by Irish-Canadian Catholic farming families

**St Jude's Brass Band** - Ancoats, Lancashire

Active in the 1930s. Also known as St Jude's Ancoats Band.

**St Jude's Brass Band** - South Shields, Durham

Active in 1887

**St Just Boys Silver Band** - Cornwall

Formed in the early 1860s and active until 1945, when it merged with St Just Old Brass Band to form St Just Silver Band

**St Just Brass Band**

See: *St Just Old Brass Band*

**St Just Independent Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1900s through to WW1

**St Just Old Brass Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1860. Active to 1945, when it merged with St Just Boys' Band to form St Just Silver Band. Conductor W.J. Lawry in 1935

**St Just Old Town Band**

See: *St Just Old Brass Band*

**St Just Silver Band** - Cornwall

Formed in 1945 through the merger of St Just Boys' Band and St Just Old Brass Band. Active through into the mid-1950s.

**St Katharine's Brass Band** - Northampton, Northamptonshire

Formed in 1886 by the Revd. John Brooke, the vicar of St Katharine's. A previously flourishing drum and fife band had aspirations to "ascend to the majesty of brazen instruments", leading to the purchase of 19 brass instruments. Initially instructed and conducted by Mr A. White, the first bandmaster was J.T. Perkins. The band was still active in the early 1900s. Some band members in 1887 were: J.T. Perkins (first cornet), H. Burrows (second cornet), H. Stratton (trombone), G. Holt (euphonium), F.W.H. Green (baritone), conductor J.T. Perkins

**St Katharine's Parochial Brass Band**

See: *St Katharine's Brass Band*

**St Keverne Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1886

**St Laurence Silver Prize Band**

See: *St Laurence Silver Band (Scotland)*

**St Laurence Brass Band** - Bardney, Lincolnshire

See: *Bardney St Laurence Band*

**St Laurence Prize Band** - Longridge, Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**St Laurence Silver Band** - Greenock, Renfrewshire

See: *Greenock St Laurence Silver Band*

**St Laurence Silver Prize Band** - Longridge, Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s

**St Laurence's College Brass Band** - Ampleforth, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1868, 1869

**St Laurence's Subscription Prize Band**

See: *St Laurence Silver Prize Band*

- St Leonards Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor G. Gurney.
- St Leonard's Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1853 and in the 1890s and 1900s
- St Leonard's Silver Band** - Newark, Nottinghamshire  
[no information]
- St Levan Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1870
- St Luke's Brass Band** - Cannock, Staffordshire  
See: *Cannock St Luke's Brass Band*
- St Luke's Brass Band** - Crosby, Lancashire  
See: *Crosby St Luke's Brass Band*
- St Luke's Brass Band** - Haverigg,  
See: *Haverigg Brass Band*
- St Luke's Brass Band** - Silverdale,  
See: *Silverdale Town Band*
- St Luke's Brass Band** - Weaste, Lancashire  
See: *St Luke's Brotherhood Brass Band*
- St Luke's Brotherhood Brass Band** - Weaste, Lancashire  
Active in 1897-1909. Conductor T. Frostick in 1904. Based at St Luke's Church in Weaste
- St Luke's Church Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1899
- St Luke's Temperance Band** - Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire  
Active in 1886, conductor W. Bennett
- St Luke's Temperance Band** - Cannock, Staffordshire  
See: *Cannock St Luke's Brass Band*
- St Mabyn Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1842
- St Margaret's (Old) Silver Band** - Angus  
[previous name of current band] See: *Dundee Instrumental Band*
- St Margaret's Band** - Olton, Warwickshire  
Active in 1908
- St Margaret's Band** - Hertfordshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor F. Cooper
- St Margaret's Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
See: *St Margaret's Old Brass Band*
- St Margaret's Brass Band** - Hollinwood, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s
- St Margaret's Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s
- St Margaret's Brass Band** - Prestwich, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- St Margaret's Brass Band** - St. Margaret's at Cliffe, Kent  
Formed in 1906, conductor Mr. Phipps
- St Margaret's Church Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1920s to the early 1950s

- St Margaret's Mission Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
See: *Brighton St Margaret's Mission Band*
- St Margaret's Old Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
Founded around 1890 as St Margaret's Boys Brigade Brass Band, conductor Archie Halley. Became St Margaret's Old Band in 1897, conductor James E. Robinson. Active into the 1900s
- St Margaret's Works Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire  
Active from 1860 into the 1870s. The band was attached to the Nathaniel Corah and Sons Works, St Margaret's Works, Canning Place, which produced "Hosiery, Underwear and Outerwear"
- St Mark's Brass Band** - Peterborough, Northamptonshire  
See: *Peterborough St Mark's Brass Band*
- St Mark's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- St Mark's Brass Band** - South Shields, Durham  
Active in the 1890s
- St Mark's Evangelistic Brass Band** - St John's Wood, Middlesex  
Active in the 1920s
- St Martin Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active from the early 1900s through to 1962. Conductor Rev. A.T.L. Mugford in 1912, E. Cuttance in 1924, J. George in 1925, Rev. E. Ormerod in 1929, J.H. Williams in 1939, H. Williams in 1946
- St Martin's Band** - Dudley, Staffordshire  
See: *Revo Works Band*
- St Martin's Band** - East Woodhay, Berkshire  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor H. Cummins in 1907
- St Martin's Brass Band** - East Woodhay, Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *East Woodhay Silver Band*
- St Martin's Town Band**  
See: *St Martin Brass Band*
- St Mary and St Michael's Church Brass Band** - Shadwell, Middlesex  
Active in 1862. This was a band associated with St Mary and St Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Commercial Road
- St Mary Bourne and Whitchurch Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1880
- St Mary Bourne Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active from the 1870s to the early 1900s
- St Mary Church Brass Band** - Devon  
See: *St Marychurch Brass Band*
- St Mary Church Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1907
- St Mary Cray Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1864, 1865
- St Mary Cray Temperance Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1880s to 1900s
- St Marychurch Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1863



**St Marylebone British Legion Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s

**St Marylebone School Brass Band**  
See: *Southall Schools Brass Band*

**St Mary's Band** - Pinchbeck, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1900s

**St Mary's Band** - Staines, Middlesex  
See: *Staines St Mary's Band*

**St Mary's Boys Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor Barney Gilroy in 1903

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Aston, Staffordshire  
See: *Birmingham St Mary's Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Atherstone, Warwickshire  
Active in 1903

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire  
See: *Bolton St Mary's Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Bradford St Mary's Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
Active in the 1880s. W.R. Lockyear bandmaster in 1885

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire  
Active in 1885 to 1890. Linked to St Mary's Catholic Church.

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Cleator Moor, Cumberland  
See: *Cleator Moor St Mary's Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in 1883

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
See: *St Mary's Catholic School Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Enfield, Lancashire  
See: *Enfield Catholic Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Gartsherrie, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1900s

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Handsworth, Warwickshire  
Active in 1900

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire  
Active in 1880

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Kirkdale, Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s, conductor J.J. Leyland

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Leeds St Mary's Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *St Mary's Catholic Young Men's Society Brass Band*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *St Mary's Catholic Brass Band (Middlesbrough)*

**St Mary's Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
See: *St Mary's Roman Catholic Brass Band*

- St Mary's Brass Band** - Newton Moor,  
See: *St Mary's Newton Moor Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Peterborough, Northamptonshire  
See: *Peterborough St Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - South Benfleet, Essex  
Active in 1909, 1913
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Taunton, Somerset  
Active in 1925
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Throckley, Northumberland  
Active in 1892
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Tunstall,  
See: *Tunstall St Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Walkley,  
See: *Walkley St Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Widnes, Lancashire  
See: *Widnes St Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Wolverton, Buckinghamshire  
See: *Wolverton St. Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Brass Band** - Isles of Scilly  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s.
- St Mary's Catholic Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Founded in October 1880, still active through the 1890s
- St Mary's Catholic Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
See: *St Mary's Roman Catholic Brass Band*
- St Mary's Catholic School Brass Band** - Dundee, Angus  
Formed in 1885, gave its first performance in April of that year, bandmaster W.G. Jarvis.  
Still active through the 1890s
- St Mary's Catholic Young Men's Society Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1859, 1860
- St Mary's Chapel Brass Band** - Enfield, Lancashire  
See: *Enfield Catholic Brass Band*
- St Mary's Church Brass Band** - Beswick, Lancashire  
Active in the 1950s
- St Mary's Church Choir Brass Band** - Tunstall,  
See: *Tunstall St. Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Church Lads Band** - Staines, Middlesex  
See: *Staines St Mary's Band*
- St Mary's Church Silver Band** - Stamford Brook,  
See: *Stamford Brook Silver Band*
- St Mary's League of the Cross Brass Band** - Blackhill, Durham  
See: *Blackhill St Mary's Band*
- St Mary's Newton Moor Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Active in the 1890s
- St Mary's Orphanage Brass Band** - Hounslow, Middlesex  
Active in 1876

- St Mary's Orphanage Brass Band** - Southall, Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s/40s. It was located in the old Middlesex Regiment Barracks, formerly at the end of Wentworth Rd Southall, which became a Catholic Orphanage School. The Children from the Spanish Civil War were housed there apparently, and the MD of the Band was Mr. Dunn, father of Colonel Vivian Dunn, MD of the Royal Marine School of Music.
- St Mary's Poor Law School Band** - Middlesex  
See: *North Hyde St Mary's Brass Band*
- St Mary's Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland  
Active in 1862, conductor W. Darling. Linked to St Mary's Cathedral
- St Mary's Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
Active in 1874
- St Mary's School Brass Band** - Islington, Middlesex  
See: *Islington St Mary School Band*
- St Matthew's Boys' Brass Band** - Gosport, Hampshire  
Active in 1910
- St Matthew's Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire  
Active in the 1880s
- St Matthew's Brass Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in 1910
- St Matthew's Church School Brass Band** - Little Lever, Lancashire  
Active in 1869
- St Matthew's Mission Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire  
Founded in 1906
- St Matthew's Mission Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- St Mawes Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1858
- St Mawgan Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1867
- St Mawnan Band** - Cornwall  
See: *Mawnan Brass Band*
- St Merryn Band** - Cornwall  
[no information]
- St Mewan Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in 1903
- St Michael and All Angels' Brass Band** - Poplar, Middlesex  
Founded in 1907, conductor C. Perry. Based at the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Bromley-by-Bow
- St Michael's Church Band** - Middleton, Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *St Michael's Brass Band*
- St Michael's Scouts and Guide Band** - Middleton, Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *St Michael's Brass Band*
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Cosby,  
See: *Cosby St Michael's Brass Band*
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire  
Active in 1883

- St Michael's Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire  
See: *Lincoln St Michael's Brass Band*
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
See: *St Michael's Church Band*
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Middleton, Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: St Michael's Scouts and Guide Band, St Michael's Church Band (1989)
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Poplar, Middlesex  
See: *St Michael and All Angels' Brass Band*
- St Michael's Brass Band** - St Michael's-on-Wyre, Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s.
- St Michael's Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1880s
- St Michael's Church Band** - Fenton, Staffordshire  
Founded in 1887, conductor F. McInnery. Still active in 1893
- St Michael's Church Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Based around St Michael's, George Leigh Street. Active in 1882
- St Michael's Mission Brass Band** - Southwark, Surrey  
Active in the early 1900s
- St Minver Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Founded in 1910 it evolved from the Tre Pol Pen Band. It attended its first contest by motor coach in 1921. It closed during both world wars. A successor band was formed in the early 1950s.
- St Minver Silver Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1950 - Note: Cornwall
- St Mirren's Brass Band** - Paisley, Renfrewshire  
Active in 1865. Possibly linked to St Mirin's Church (the first stone built Catholic church in post-Reformation Scotland). Still active in 1867
- St Monance Band**  
See: *St Monan's Band*
- St Monan's Band** - Fife  
Active in the 1880s and 1900s. Also known as St Monance Band
- St Mungo's Brass Band** - Bridgeton, Lanarkshire  
Active in 1861, 1863 - associated with St Mungo's Catholic Academy
- St Neots and Eynesbury Brass Band**  
See: *Eynesbury and St Neots Brass Band*
- St Neots Silver Prize Band**  
See: *Eynesbury and St Neots Brass Band*
- St Newlyn East Brass Band** - Cornwall  
[current band] - Founded in 1911
- St Nicholas Brass Band** - Taplow,  
See: *Taplow St Nicholas Brass Band*
- St Nicholas Industrial School Brass Band** - East Ham, Essex  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor T. Burt in 1904. The school was located at Whitt Road, Manor Park, East Ham. Philip McGrath, the bandmaster in 1908, absconded in

September that year with a number of the school's musical instruments, value £40, he was arrested in Luton, and explained he had got into trouble with a woman who was worrying him for money. He was sent to gaol for six months' hard labour. (He was later charged, in 1910, with stealing a portmanteau and a trunk from Waterloo Station).

**St Ninians Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the mid-1850s to the end of WW1.

**St Olave's Grammar School Brass Band** - Southwark, Surrey

Active in 1867, conductor G.H. Hunt, bandmaster Mr Pemberton

**St Olave's Poor Law School Band**

See: *Shirley Schools Brass Band*

**St Osyth Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Kidby in 1894

**St Osyth Victoria Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1895

**St Pancras Brass Band**

See: *St Pancras Silver Band*

**St Pancras Midland Railway Band**

See: *Midland Railway Loco Works Band*

**St Pancras National Reserve Band**

See: *St Pancras Silver Band*

**St Pancras Poor Law Schools Band**

See: *Leavesden Industrial School Band*

**St Pancras School Brass Band**

See: *Leavesden Industrial School Band*

**St Pancras Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active from the 1890s. Its heyday was in the 1920s and 1930s. In the band at that time were George Curtis (side drum), Bill Knight (Bass drum), Fred Dimmock was the band's professional conductor for many years. A fine trombone player he was a member of the famous Luton Red Cross Band; then there were the Ashton Brothers, both cornet players and conductors who kept the band in good form for many years; there was Dick Fruin (Bass), Nobby Clark, (Euphonium), Bill Griffiths and Johnny Seabrook (tenor horn). In 1925 the band won the Daily Mirror cup at the Crystal Palace. It played in most of the local parks, including Parliament Hill Fields, Waverlow Park, the Embankment Gardens, Highbury Fields and elsewhere in North London. On Sunday mornings, all the year round, the band used to play outside Hampstead Heath Railway Station and always drew appreciative audiences. The money collected used to go towards the cost of musical instrument repairs and replacements and the purchase of sheet music. The Band joined the St. Pancras Branch of the British Legion in the early 1930's and won the first prize in 1932 competing against British Legion bands from all parts of Britain. They played to prisoners at Pentonville Prison twice a year, played for Madame Burnett-Coutts, Swains Lane, once yearly, played at Luton and Bedford for the Orphans School at Leavesdon (Watford) whenever possible, raising money for the school.

**St Patrick's Brass Band** - Coatbridge, Lanarkshire

Active in 1862

**St Patrick's Brass Band** - Dumbarton, Dunbartonshire

Active in the 1890s

- St Patrick's Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1877 to 1882
- St Patrick's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *St Patrick's Catholic Brass Band*
- St Patrick's Brass Band** - Lochgelly, Fife  
Active in the 1920s
- St Patrick's Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s. Band linked to St Patrick's School. Also in 1909 (possibly linked St Patrick's Church in Livesey Street)
- St Patrick's Brass Band** - Wigan, Lancashire  
See: *Wigan St Patrick's Brass Band*
- St Patrick's Catholic Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1852
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Carlton, Nottinghamshire  
See: *Carlton St Paul's Brass Band*
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Frizington, Cumberland  
See: *Frizington St Paul's Band*
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Gateshead, Durham  
See: *Gateshead St Paul's Band*
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Goose Green, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster P. Fairhurst in 1900
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Halliwell, Lancashire  
Active in 1862 to 1869. Leader Reuben M. Hamer in 1863, G. Fielding in 1865
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Hindley, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
See: *St Paul's Catholic Brass Band*
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Newport, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
Active in the early 1900s. Conductor A. Wells in 1904
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Northampton, Northamptonshire  
Active from the 1880s to WW1
- St Paul's Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire  
See: *York St Paul's Brass Band*
- St Paul's Brass Band** - Isle of Man  
Active in 1886 to 1893
- St Paul's C.E.M.S. Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1950s. The C.E.M.S. was the Church of England Men's Society.
- St Paul's Catholic Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Active in 1863. Was founded and encouraged by Father Hill, whose musical abilities had been of great use in training the boys in the use of their instruments. On 17th October 1870 a concert was given in the St Paul's school, to raise money for the purchase of new instruments and the repair of existing instruments for the St Paul's Catholic Brass Band. Under the leadership of Mr J R Kilroy, the Band played a selection of Irish Aairs, whilst Misses Georgeson, Wilson, and Carroll sang sentimental ballads, such as 'I'm lonely since my mother died'. In 1872, the annual concert in aid of the Brass Band funds was held on the 30th September, and the audience overflowed, and a repeat performance was promised to satisfy the clamour. In 1876 the band accompanied a train full of

excursionists from Warrington for a day out in Rhyl. In 1877 the band played 'The Dead March of Saul' at a funeral in Dukinfield. Conductor Mr McNiff in 1883. In 1885 the band played at the opening of the new town hall in Hyde.

**St Paul's Church Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1869, based at St Paul's on Deansgate

**St Paul's Church Mission Band** - Stratford, Essex

Active in the 1900s

**St Paul's Home Brass Band** - Coleshill,

Active in the 1890s

**St Paul's New Silver Band**

See: *York St Paul's Brass Band*

**St Peter's and St Paul's Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

See: *SS Peter and Paul's Brass Band*

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Aintree, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire

See: *Berkhamsted St Peter's Band*

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Active in 1853, with "instruments more valuable than are in the possession of any other band in the neighbourhood".

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in 1911

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Cobridge, Staffordshire

See: *Cobridge St Peter's Brass Band*

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Monkwearmouth, Durham

Active in the mid-1880s

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Parr, Lancashire

See: *Parr St Peters Brass Band*

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Staines, Middlesex

See: *Staines St. Peter's Band*

**St Peter's Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Active in 1882, conductor Thomas Armstrong

**St Peter's Catholic Brass Band** - Stalybridge, Cheshire

Active in 1869

**St Peter's Institute Band** - Staines, Middlesex

See: *Staines St. Peter's Band*

**St Peter's Street Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

Active from 1902 to 1908. Conductor F. Endersby in 1904

**St Philip's Alderley Edge Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1900s

**St Philip's Brass Band** - Hulme, Lancashire

Active in 1861. Associated with St Philip's Church in Hulme

**St Philip's Church Army Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the mid-1880s

**St Philip's Church School Brass Band** - Alderley Edge, Cheshire  
 See: *St Philip's Alderley Edge Brass Band*

**St Phillip's Brass Band** - Heywood, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1870s

**St Pinnock Band** - Cornwall  
 [current band] - Founded in 1907 - Former names: St Pinnock Temperance Band. Note:  
 Formed as a brass and reed band in 1866

**St Rollox Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
 See: *Glasgow St Rollox Brass Band*

**St Ronan's Brass Band** - Innerleithen, Peeblesshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *St Ronan's Silver Band*

**St Ronan's Silver Band** - Innerleithen, Peeblesshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1880 - Former names: St. Ronan's Brass Band (to 1913) -  
 Note: Other related bands: Innerleithen and Traquair Brass Band , 3rd Peeblesshire  
 Volunteer Band

**St Saviour's and St Francis' Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
 See: *Cardiff St Saviour's Brass Band*

**St Saviour's Parochial Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
 See: *Cardiff St Saviour's Brass Band*

**St Saviour's Silver Band** - Splot, Cardiff, Glamorgan  
 See: *Cardiff St Saviour's Brass Band*

**St Saviour's Sunday School Brass Band** - Ringley, Lancashire  
 Active in the 1880s, conductor E. Robinson in 1886

**St Sebastian (Wokingham) Brass Band** - Berkshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1931 - Former names: St Sebastian Parish Band (to 1978)

**St Sebastian Parish Band** - Berkshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *St Sebastian (Wokingham) Brass Band*

**St Stephen Town Band** - Cornwall  
 Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor W.H. Jenkin in 1909

**St Stephen Volunteer Brass Band** - Cornwall  
 Active in 1900

**St Stephen's Brass Band** - Congleton, Cheshire  
 Active in the 1870s

**St Stephen's Brass Band** - Kearsley, Lancashire  
 See: *Kearsley St Stephens Band*

**St Stephen's Brass Band** - Milnrow, Lancashire  
 See: *Milnrow Brass Band*

**St Stephen's Brass Band** - St Stephen, Cornwall  
 See: *St Stephen Town Band*

**St Stephen's Sunday School Brass Band** - Kearsley, Lancashire  
 Active in 1878

**St Stephens-in-Bramwell Brass Band** - St Stephens, Cornwall  
 Active around 1907.

**St Stythians Band** - Cornwall  
 [current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: St Stythians Silver Band

**St Stythians Brass Band**  
 See: *Stithians Brass Band*



- St Swithun's Band** - Bridport, Dorset  
[current band] - Founded in 1951
- St Swithun's Brass Band** - Winchester, Hampshire  
Active in 1890 to 1892. A "juvenile" band, it performed at Twford and Fareham a few times. Possibly linked to Twyford School, but also to St Swithun's School in Winchester (a girl's school established in 1884).
- St Teath Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s
- St Thomas' Band Bedford**  
See: *Bedford (Leigh) Band*
- St Thomas Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1898
- St Thomas' Brass Band** - Arbroath, Angus  
Active in the 1870s. Conductor William Shepherd in 1870
- St Thomas' Brass Band** - Ashton-in-Makerfield, Lancashire  
Active around 1910
- St Thomas' Brass Band** - Bedford, Lancashire  
See: *Bedford (Leigh) Band*
- St Thomas' Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in 1872
- St Thomas' Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the late 1880s
- St Thomas' Charterhouse Brass Band** - Clerkenwell, Middlesex  
Active in 1861, conductor Herr Klussmann, secretary W.W. Richardson. St Thomas' Charterhouse Church was established in 1842 and demolished in 1909
- St Thomas' Congregational Brass Band** - Exeter, Devon  
Active in 1906
- St Thomas' Home Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s to 1920s. The home was established in 1901 as an Industrial School for Roman Catholic Boys
- St Thomas' Industrial School Brass Band**  
See: *St Thomas' Home Brass Band*
- St Thomas' Road Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in 1927 and 1932
- St Tudno Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Llandudno Town Band*
- St Ursula Brass Band** - Seamer, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Lord Londesborough's Brass Band*
- St Veryan Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1890s, conductor J. Dowrick.
- St Vincent Brass Band** - Gosport, Hampshire  
See: *Training Ship St Vincent Brass Band*
- St Vincent de Paul Brass Band**  
See: *Liverpool Boys' Orphanage Band*
- St Vincent's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Lysaght's St Vincent's Brass Band*

**St Vincent's Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1860 into the 1870s. Associated with St Vincent's Catholic Church

**St Vincent's School Brass Band** - Dartford, Kent

Active in the 1900s to 1920s. St Vincent's Industrial School was opened in 1878.

**St Vincent's School Brass Band** - Fullwood, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s to 1920s. Based at the St Vincent's Orphanage.

**St Wenn Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s. Bandmaster in 1876 was Thomas Hawkey.

**St Wilfred's Brass Band** - Northenden, Cheshire

Active in the 1860s to 1867

**St Wilfred's Brass Band** - Ribchester,

See: *Ribchester St Wilfred's Brass Band*

**St Wilfred's Catholic Brass Band** - Bishop Auckland, Durham

Active in the 1880s

**St Wilfred's Church Band** - Northenden, Cheshire

Active around 1920

**St Wilfred's School Brass Band** - Ribchester,

Active in 1872

**St Wilfrid's Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

See: *Preston St Wilfrid's Brass Band*

**St Wilfrid's Children's Home Band** - Shoreham, Sussex

Founded in 1905. This was a boys' drum and fife band. The home was run by the Steyning Board of Guardians, set up when the Shoreham Workhouse moved to a new site in the 1890s.

**Stacksteads Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stacksteads Band*

**Stacksteads Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1872 - Former names: Stacksteads Amateur Brass Band, Stacksteads Prize Band

**Stacksteads Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stacksteads Band*

**Stacksteads Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1891

**Stafford Borough and British Legion Brass Band**

See: *Stafford Brass Band (3)*

**Stafford Brass Band (1)** - Staffordshire

Active from the mid-1840s to the late 1860s. Conducted by Mr Follows in the early 1860s

**Stafford Brass Band (2)** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Stafford Brass Band (3)** - Staffordshire

Formed at the English Electric Lichfield Road works during World War II. In the late 1940s the band moved to the Royal British Legion headquarters in Eastgate Street and became Stafford British Legion Band. The band was also later known as the Stafford Borough and British Legion Band and Stafford Concert Brass, and was still active up to the late 1980s. Competed in the Junior Cup in 1962, conducted by S. Hartshorn.

**Stafford British Legion Band**

See: *Stafford Brass Band (3)*

**Stafford Concert Brass**

See: *Stafford Brass Band (3)*

**Stafford County Asylum Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1900s

**Stafford Police Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1970s and 1980s

**Stafford Rifles Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Stafford Street Mission Brass Band - Mansfield, Nottinghamshire**

Active in the late 1940s

**Stafford Street Mission Brass Band - Walsall, Staffordshire**

Active in 1911

**Stafford Temperance Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor George Banks in 1900

**Stafford Union Workhouse Juvenile Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in 1862, 1863

**Staffordshire Band - Staffordshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Walsall Wood Institute Temperance Band (to 1920s), Aldridge Colliery Silver Prize Band, Walsall Home Guard Band (during WW2), Aldridge Town Band, Aldridge Brownhills Brass Band (1966), Walsall Metropolitan Band (1975), Walsall Servis Band (1980), Walsall Highgate Band (1983), C.I.Group Brass (1988), Staffordshire Building Society Band (1993-1998)

**Staffordshire Britannia Brass Band - Staffordshire**

See: *South Staffordshire Britannia Brass Band*

**Staffordshire Building Society Band - Staffordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Staffordshire Police Band - Staffordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Florence Brass*

**Staffordshire Police Brass Band - Staffordshire**

See: *Stafford Police Brass Band*

**Staffordshire Special Constabulary Band - Staffordshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Florence Brass*

**Staffordshire Youth Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1970s

**Staffs County and Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Band**

See: *Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Brass Band*

**Stagecoach East Midland Bus Company Band - Derbyshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Dronfield Band*

**Stagsden Brass Band - Bedfordshire**

Active in the 1900s

**Stainborough and Crane Moor Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Crane Moor and Stainborough Brass Band*

**Staindrop Brass Band - Durham**

Active from the 1850s and into the 1930s. Bandmaster in 1858 was Thomas Woods, conductor in 1900 was W. Errington.

**Staindrop Subscription Brass Band**

See: *Staindrop Brass Band*

**Staines Brass Band** - Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 1930 - Former names: Staines United Temperance Band

**Staines Brass Band (1)** - Middlesex

Founded in 1884, bandmaster Mr Ackermann. Active into the 1890s. A successor band was renamed from Staines St Peter's Band in 1903

**Staines Brass Band (2)** - Middlesex

See: *Staines St Peter's Band*

**Staines St Mary's Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Mullins in 1908

**Staines St Peter's Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s through to WW1. Became Staines Brass Band in 1903, conductor F. Haskell

**Staines Town Band** - Middlesex

See: *Staines Brass Band (1)*

**Staines United Temperance Band** - Middlesex

[previous name of current band] See: *Staines Brass Band*

**Staines United Temperance Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1936

**Staines Wesleyan Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1908 to 1914

**Stainforth Brass Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Stainland Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1840s to the 1890s. Thomas Hinchcliffe was Bandmaster in 1842.

Conductor Mr Jackson in 1867, W. Benson in 1869. Re-organised under conductor S. Singleton in 1890.

**Staintondale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1856, 1859

**Stairfoot United Christian Mission Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1904, conductor J. Foster

**Stalbridge Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1866

**Stalham Brass Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1849 - Former names: Stalham Excelsior Band (to 1914)

**Stalham Excelsior Band** - Norfolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Stalham Brass Band*

**Stalmine Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1864 to 1867

**Stalybridge Ancient Shepherds' Band** - Cheshire

Formed in 1832 and still active through to the 1900s - this was a reed band, not a brass band.

**Stalybridge Borough Band** - Cheshire

Formed in March 1871 by some ex-members of the Stalybridge Old Band, holding its first rehearsals and meetings at the Moulders Arms, Grasscroft Street, Castle Hall. The band was known as the 4th Cheshire Rifleman Volunteers (Boro' Band) until 1896. The founder and first conductor was Alexander Owen who conducted the band until at least 1907.

Bandmaster J.E. Robinson 1871-1881. Active through to 1930s/40s

**Stalybridge Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stalybridge Old Band*

**Stalybridge Catholic Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1859 to the 1890s, conductor S. Mullany in 1890

**Stalybridge Jones and Brother Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stalybridge Old Band*

**Stalybridge Old Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1809 - Former names: Stalybridge Band, Stalybridge Public Band, Stalybridge Tetley Walker Brewery Band (1981-3), Stalybridge Jones & Brother Band (1986-90)

**Stalybridge Public Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stalybridge Old Band*

**Stalybridge Temperance Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1856 to 1864. Meeting/rehearsal room was in Grosvenor Street

**Stalybridge Tetley Walker Brewery Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stalybridge Old Band*

**Stalybridge West Hill Secondary School Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1960s

**Stamford Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1863, consisting of a dozen young mechanics, conducted by Thaddeus Wells

**Stamford Borough Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stamford Brass*

**Stamford Brass** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1885 - Former names: Stamford Borough Band, Stamford Town Silver Band, Stamford Town Band, Premier Brass (1990-1996)

**Stamford Bridge Brass Band** - Fulham, Middlesex

Active in 1908, conductor F.W. Morell

**Stamford Bridge Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1844

**Stamford Brook Silver Band** - London

Active in the 1930s, based at St Mary's Church.

**Stamford Foundry Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Smith and Ashby Foundry Band*

**Stamford Hill Tramway Brotherhood Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1913. Part of the Pleasant Sunday Afternoons Brotherhood.

**Stamford Mechanics Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Formed in 1863

**Stamford Musical Union Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1853

**Stamford Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**Stamford Town Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stamford Brass*

**Stamford Town Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stamford Brass*

**Stamford Wesleyan Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**Stamfordham Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1867 to 1869

**Stamp End Brass Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire

Formed in 1874

**Stamshaw Brass Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

Active in the 1990s - it folded around 2000.

**Stand Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1828

**Standard Ironworks Band**

See: *Davey Paxman Standard Ironworks Band*

**Standedge Brass Band** - Saddleworth, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Standfast Works Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire

Formed in 1910, renamed Storey's of Lancaster Band in 1946, (a.k.a. Storey's Works Band), the Storey's Decorative Products Band in 1987, finally, in 1992, City of Lancaster (Storey's) Band. Falling membership prompted an amalgamation with Red Rose Youth Band in the city to form Red Rose Lancaster Band in the early 2000s, but as with many such ventures it didn't quite work out, folding a few years later. A few dedicated members broke away and formed the present band, Lancaster City Brass.

**Standish Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1873 - Former names: Crooke Band, Crooke Miners Welfare Band (1950), Kirkless (NCB) Band, Quaker House Colliery Band (1987-1990)

**Standish Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1873 as a village band by the name of Crooke Band. Crooke is a small village about 2.5 miles to the north-east of Wigan. Conductor John Rutter in 1902. Following WW2 it was reformed as Crooke Miners Welfare Band in 1950. As Wigan Collieries closed down, the Band again changed names to Kirkless (NCB) Band. In 1987 it became the Quaker House Colliery Band. In 1990, the mine closed and with it went the sponsorship and Standish Band came into being. It merged with the Coppull Subscription Band in 2005 to form the Coppull and Standish Band.

**Standish Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. Competed in the First Annual Brass Band Contest organised by Wigan Borough Prize Band in 1943 (conducted by F. Wilson).

**Standlake Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

During the 19th century entertainment became more organised with concerts and dramatic activities proving very popular. Standlake had had its own Annual Fair from the mid 1800s, later becoming a pleasure fair with stalls along the High Street and in 1881 the Flower Show was established, eventually developing into a large village fete. These both survived until after the Second World War. Towards the end of the 19th century the Standlake Brass Band was started by a retired schoolmaster and lasted some ten or fifteen years. It was not universally popular and was described not too long ago by an older resident as "that terrible band". It also was said to have had a "mixed reputation"! Still active in 1907.

**Standlake Village Band**

See: *Standlake Brass Band*

**Standon Farm Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. The band was formed from boys who were resident at the Standon Farm Home For Boys. The instrumentation was largely brass with a few woodwind instruments. The Standon Home was established in 1885, as only the second boys' home in the Waifs and Strays' Society (later The Children's Society). Standon Farm initially housed fifty boys (aged 10-14), reaching 90 boys in a few years and also increasing the age range to 16 in 1908. Its primary purpose was to provide education and specifically agricultural training. The home closed in 1947.

**Stanford-in-the-Vale Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor Jesse Hughes in 1884

**Stanford-le-Hope Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the early 1900s to the 1930s. Conductor Joshua Dow in 1904, F. Arthrell in 1913

**Stanhope Park Band** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *Holsworthy Town Band*

**Stanhope Silver Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1823 as a brass and reed band. Became Peat Hill Band in 1824. Sometime after the 1850s it became Stanhope Saxhorn Band. It also became a volunteer band.

**Stanion Jubilee Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Stank Mines Band** - Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire

Active in 1884 to the 1890s. Its bandroom was destroyed in a gale in 1894

**Stanley Brass Band** - Durham

See: *West Stanley Brass Band*

**Stanley Brass Band**

See: *Stanley Newmarket Colliery Band*

**Stanley Colliery Band** - West Stanley, Durham

Active in the 1890s and still active in 1938

**Stanley Common and District Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s. Denis Elliott (trombone) was a member in 1950 when he gained 93% in the examinations at the Bandsman's College of Music in Nottingham.

**Stanley Common Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Stanley Dry Soap Works Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in 1885

**Stanley Methodist Mission Band** - Durham

Active in 1893

**Stanley Newmarket Colliery Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1895. Known as Stanley Band (to 1947), Newmarket Colliery Stanley Band, and later, Newmarket Colliery Band. Another source quotes "This village band started with its headquarters in a room above a stable at the rear of an ale house known as the Miners Arms. It was situated on the corner of Lee Moor Road. The band started as a string and bass in the year 1889. Mrs Walker of Lofthouse has a photograph which shows her father, Mr W. Goldthorpe, and her uncle, Mr N. Goldthorpe, along with other band members A. Colley, T. Field, F. Holgate, W. Clarke, A. Whitam, J. Ward, J. T. Seaton, A. Field, W. H. Sampson, A. Savage and G. Lunn. The conductor was Mr L. Turner. For 100 years the band has had some members in it from the Holgate family. At one time there

were 14 members of the family playing various instruments in the band. Special mention must be made of Fred, a son of one of the founders. Fred started playing in the band when he was 12 years of age and was still playing after he had celebrated, with his fellow members, the band's centenary. The band played at Crystal Palace at the 30th anniversary of the Great National Band Festival on 26th September 1936." The band stopped contesting in 2005 and folded in 2011. A successor band was formed in 2013.

**Stanley Newmarket Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2013

**Stanley Saw Mills Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. The mills were owned by Joseph Owen and Sons, located at Stanley Road

**Stanley Subscription Prize Band**

Active in 1921

**Stanley West Temperance Band** - Durham

[no information]

**Stanley West Town Band** - Durham

[no information]

**Stanley's Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Kettering Town Silver Band*

**Stannary Brass Band** - Tavistock, Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1995

**Stannary Temperance Band** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Stanningley and District Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Probably formed after WW2. Active in the 1950s. Merged with Bramley and District Subscription Band to form Bramley and Stanningley Band in the early 1950s

**Stanningley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1860s to the 1900s

**Stanningley Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Conductor A. Wilson in 1888, Amos Bastow in 1890, John Wood in 1897, W.G. Buckley in 1905

**Stanningley Primitive Methodist Brass Band**

See: *Richardshaw Lane Brass Band*

**Stanningley Primitive Methodist Sunday School Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s, bandmaster E.F. Wilson in 1888

**Stannington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1850. Known as Stannington Church Brass Band after the 1880s. Folded in 1962. A successor band was formed in 1968

**Stannington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1881 - Former names: Stannington Church Brass Band (to 1962) - Note: Break of 6 years until reformed as Stannington Brass Band in 1968

**Stannington Church Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Stannington Brass Band*

**Stannington Church Brass Band**

See: *Stannington Brass Band*

**Stannington Community Association Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the early 1970s



**Stannington Old Brass Band**

See: *Stannington Brass Band*

**Stannington Wesleyan Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Stanshawe (Bristol) Band**

See: *Stanshawe/Sun Life Band*

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**Stanshawe/Sun Life Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

The band was founded as the Stanshawe Band (1968) and modified its name to Stanshawe (Bristol) Band (1972). On receiving sponsorship from Axa Sun Life they changed again to Sun Life Stanshawe Band (1978) and finally to simply the Sun Life Band (1983). They disbanded in January 1997.

**Stanstead Abbots Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor F. Cooper in 1889

**Stanstead Brass Band**

See: *Stanstead Abbots Brass Band*

**Stansted Silver Band** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Stansty Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in 1854 to 1869. Conductor Joseph Jones in 1866

**Stanton and Staveley Band** - Derbyshire

[no information]

**Stanton Brass Band** - Stanton in Peak, Derbyshire

See: *Stanton in Peak Public Brass Band*

**Stanton Brass Band** - Stanton-by-Dale, Derbyshire

See: *Stanton by Dale Band*

**Stanton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

See: *Stanton under Bardon Brass Band*

**Stanton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1849

**Stanton Harcourt Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Founded in 1861. Still active in 1892

**Stanton Hill Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1884. Still active in 1929

**Stanton Hill Silver Prize Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*

**Stanton Hill Silver Prize Band**

See: *Stanton Hill Brass Band*

**Stanton Hill Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*

**Stanton Hill Temperance Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1905

**Stanton in Peak Public Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s (as Stanton Brass Band), active in 1911 as Stanton in Peak Public Brass Band

- Stanton Ironworks Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Ilkeston Brass*
- Stanton St John Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s
- Stanton under Bardon Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Also known as Able Jack (Stanton) Band in the late 1970s and early 1980s
- Stanton Works Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Ilkeston Brass*
- Stantonbury Brass** - Buckinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Olney Brass*
- Stanton-by-Dale Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s
- Stanwick Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active from the 1880s to the 1930s. Also known as Stanwick United Brass Band from the 1910s
- Stanwick United Brass Band**  
See: *Stanwick Brass Band*
- Stanwix Reformatory Brass Band** - Cumberland  
See: *Carlisle Reformatory Brass Band*
- Stape Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1884
- Stapenhill Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Staple Hill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1880s
- Stapleford and Bramcote Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Stapleford and Sandiacre Brass Band*
- Stapleford and Sandiacre Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Formed in the early 1860s by J. Atkin, the first bandmaster (also a cousin of the great Dan Godfrey). Atkin's son was the bandmaster in 1914, when they acquired a new set of uniforms, costing £60. Also known as Stapleford and Bramcote Band
- Stapleford Brass Band (1)** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1840s and 1850s. Probably folded prior to the formation of the Stapleford and Sandiacre Brass Band
- Stapleford Brass Band (2)** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *Stapleford and Sandiacre Brass Band*
- Stapleford Silver Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Probably formed after WW1. Active in 1926, when it entered the Spondon Contest, conducted by W. Wood
- Stapleford Tawney Band** - Essex  
Founded in 1906, bandmaster F. Page
- Stapleford Town Band**  
See: *Stapleford Silver Band*
- Staplehurst Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1980s

**Stapleton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1854. Took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol in 1864. Still active in 1899

**Stapleton Union Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Stapleton Workhouse Brass Band*

**Stapleton Workhouse Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1859 to 1866. Some 300 of the children from the workhouse had an outing, preceded by their brass band, which was much admired. Also known as the Stapleton Union Brass Band

**Star of Hope Band** - Guisborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Charlton Star of Hope Band*

**Star of Hope Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Birmingham Star of Hope Brass Band*

**Star of Hope Brass Band** - Gosport, Hampshire

See: *Gosport Star of Hope Brass Band*

**Star of Northfield Brass Band**

See: *Northfield Brass Band*

**Star of Temperance Brass Band** - Bridgwater, Somerset

See: *Bridgwater Star of Temperance Brass Band*

**Star of Temperance Brass Band** - Widnes, Lancashire

See: *Widnes Star of Temperance Brass Band*

**Star of the East Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Baltonsborough Brass Band*

**Star of the Vale Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Marnhull Star of the Vale Brass Band*

**Star of the West Brass Band** - Crewkerne, Somerset

Active in the 1890s, early 1900s

**Starbeck Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed by Samuel Day in 1904 and , after rehearsing in a house on Stonefall Avenue, found a more permanent home on Back Regent Place in 1906.

**Starch Green Band** - Hammersmith, Middlesex

Active in 1906

**Starcross Institution Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1909

**Station Mills Brass Band** - Nafferton,

Active in 1897

**Staunton Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s to 1910s. Bandmaster W. Stafford in 1897

**Staunton Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1887 into the 1900s. Conductor Mr Stafford in 1905

**Staveley Ambulance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Staveley Works Brass Band*

**Staveley and Speedwell Mission Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1890s

**Staveley Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1870s

**Staveley Iron and Chemical Works Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Staveley Works Band*

**Staveley Silver Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1950s

**Staveley Town Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1900s

**Staveley Volunteer Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Contemporary with the Staveley Works Band.

**Staveley Works Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Dronfield Band*

**Staveley Works Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1863 as Staveley Works Band. Conductor James Needham in 1864. Towards the end of the century and into the 1900s, more commonly known as Barrow Hill Brass Band, later Barrow Hill and Staveley United Prize Band, Barrow Hill and Staveley Works Silver Prize Band. The band was attached to the Staveley Works Ambulance Corps.

Active in 1962, when it competed in the Senior Trophy, conducted by A.H. Dawes.

Active through to the 1990ss

**Stebbing Brass Band** - Essex

Active from the early 1890s to WW1. Conductor J. Lee in 1892, C. Stannard in 1893, H. Young in 1912. Secretary E. Bolden in the early 1900s, B. Claydon from 1907.

**Stedham Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed in the 1860s, still active in 1944. Mr. Rooke, had been conductor and sub-conductor for 33 years in 1944. His father, who played the euphonium for 67 years until he was 82, was conductor for over 40 years, he died at the age of 85 years. With him played David Christmas and two others named Tucker and Titcombe, all of whom also kept their music going until nearly 80 years of age. Christmas, who lived to be 92, was a Stedham bandsman from boyhood until over 80 years of age and kept his band love and interest alive to the end. Another family were the Faulkners, father and son: Fred Faulkner, the father, was presented with an engraved record of his 50 years' service to the band. These are outstanding cases of musical stamina, faithful friendship and esprit de corps. They took engagements at various other villages, chiefly at Friendly Societies' Club Feasts, with, now and then, outside performances in their own village streets all through the summer months to reward their constant practices in the band room during the preceding winter. Individual members of the band after walking sometimes two to six miles, would meet at the rendezvous of the village club engaging them about 11 a.m.; the proceedings would begin with a parade headed by the band to the Church and round about: members of the club, mostly in smock frocks and round hats, each member carrying a hazel twig or stick peeled round like a small barber's pole, and the club officers in broad, picturesque sashes of silk. After the Church service the procession marched to the dinner tent near the village "pub", where, after all had been inwardly more or less satisfied, the squire, the parson and the club doctor would "hold forth" for their edification. The material, spiritual, and intellectual human interests having all been thus attended to, members and friends would then enjoy themselves with sports of all kinds whilst the band mounted on a four-wheeled farm wagon, played "Selections" in the afternoon and dance music in the evening till about 10 p.m. In the 1860s to 1880s, each bandsman would receive about 2s. 6d. or 3s. 0d. with free dinner and beer for the engagement and be ready for work again at his job by five or six o'clock the next

morning. The old country Friendly Societies had all suffered extinction at the beginning of the 20th century, but other band engagements, Flower Shows, Garden Parties, Athletic Sports, etc., came along and provided suitable occasions for bands to let off their musical steam.

**Steel and Garland Priory Foundry Band** - Worksop,

Conductor was Mr E. Russon in 1910. On November 18th 1910, the Worksop Old Soldiers Association held their Annual Church Parade, and the Priory Foundry Band took part in the procession, along with the Worksop Town Band and Shireoaks Band. In the evening a concert was given at the Gaiety Theatre. The Priory Foundry Band played selections. Bandsman Craven of the Priory Foundry Band received first prize for the smartest Bandsman.

**Steel Company of Wales Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Steel Company of Wales Band**

Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (2nd Section), conducted by H. Nuttall

**Steel, Peech and Tozer Phoenix Works Band** - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930/40s. Based at Phoenix Hall, Ickles

**Steeple Ashton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from 1860 to 1888

**Steeple Claydon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1853. Conductor George Jackman in 1889

**Steeple Langford Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Secretary in 1899 was A. Everett.

**Stella Collieries Workman's Band**

Active in the 1900s and folded after WW1. Stella Company owned several collieries near Durham.

**Stenalees Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1890s to the 1960s. Conductor J. Richards in 1888

**Stenhouse Brass Band** - Stenhousemuir, Stirlingshire

Active in the 1920s

**Stenhousemuir Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1862

**Stennals (St Austell) Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1888

**Stephen Heath Works Brass Band** - Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s

**Stephen Recreation Brass Band** - Scotland

Active in the 1950s

**Stephenson's Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Stephenson's Operatic Brass Band*

**Stephenson's Brass Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire

See: *Messrs Stephenson's Brass Band*

**Stephenson's Operatic Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Active from the early 1860s to the mid-1870s. Conductor W. Ure in 1864-1870. Based at the Robert Stephenson & Co. Locomotive works. Were were invited by Mr George Robert Stephenson to spend the 1864 Christmas holidays with him on the Isle of Wight,

when they played various concerts alone and also in conjunction with other bands on the island.

**Stepney Borough Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1920s

**Stepney Gas Workers Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Stepney Gasworks Band*

**Stepney Gas Workers Trade Union Band** - Middlesex

See: *Stepney Gasworks Band*

**Stepney Gasworks Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1898 and 1907, when it played at the dinner for the Sandwich Men of London, on Christmas Eve.

**Stepney Police Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *H Division Police Brass Band*

**Stepney Union School Brass Band** - Middlesex

Formed in September 1858. Active in 1860, by which time 23 of the boy musicians had passed through the band to join regimental bands. The school was based at Church Lane, Limehouse.

**Stevenage Brass Band (1)** - Hertfordshire

Active from 1861 to the 1880s

**Stevenage Brass Band (2)** - Hertfordshire

See: *Stevenage Town Band*

**Stevenage Town Band** - Hertfordshire

Active from the early 1960s to the early 1980s

**Stevenson Box Works Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

When it disbanded its instruments helped to form the Central Manchester Band.

**Steventon Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1933

**Stewarton Youth Brass Band** - Ayrshire

Active in the 1980s

**Stewartry Brass Band** - Kirkcudbright, Kirkcudbrightshire

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Stewkley Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1862 to 1868

**Steyning and District Band**

See: *Steyning Brass Band*

**Steyning Board of Guardians Band**

See: *St Wilfrid's Children's Home Band*

**Steyning Brass Band** - Sussex

Formed around 1874 and was still active in 1944. Conductor F. Green in 1904

**Steyning Town Brass Band**

See: *Steyning Brass Band*

**Stibbard Silver Band** - Norfolk

Founded by John Abram. Active in the 1920s to 1950s

**Sticker Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1860s. Records of the band, from 1914-1928, are held by Cornwall Record Office. Probably reformed/renamed Sticker Silver Band after WW1. Still active in 1936

**Sticker Silver Band**

See: *Sticker Brass Band*

**Stickland Brass Band**

See: *Winterborne Stickland Brass Band*

**Sticklepath Brass Band - Devon**

Active in 1897

**Stickney Orpheus Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active from 1900 to 1909. Conductor William Dixon. The players apparently consisted of his family

**Stillington Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1862

**Stillwell's Brass Band - London**

See: *Messrs Edward Stillwell and Son's Brass Band*

**Stinchcombe Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

Founded as a Brass Band in 1898 by Anthony Williams and continued for over 75 years. During World War II it suffered from a brief suspension of activities, but resumed its charitable and social activities until the nineteen-eighties. It gained a high reputation for its musicianship under Mr. D. Smith who died in recent years. In its heyday it used to provide an annual Christmas concert with a supper and food parcels for the elderly. It also toured the village playing carols outside groups of houses or actually playing inside the larger houses. These were very convivial occasions and one can say that a high note was struck. It also played in Dursley in the festive season and gave concerts and competed, with success, in competitions for local bands. There is a story about the band playing one Christmas to a haystack in the late evening during one of its tours through the lanes, until a walker going in the band's direction called out "that aint a 'ouse - it's a 'aystack". [Note: similar stories are told of Potterspury Band and Woodchurch Band!]. It is sad that this feature of Stinchcombe life has disappeared. Among the village names which figured among many others are; Attwood, Burcombe, Clark, Summers, Woodward, and the members of the band were ably supported by their wives who undertook the catering for the Christmas party for the pensioners and similar duties for other occasions. The band rehearsed and were based in Lister's Club in Dursley Gloucestershire. They were in the Championship Section in 1997. They disbanded around 2000. During the 1920s to mid-1960s it was known as Lister's Silver Band, or R.A. Lister's Silver Band. The engineering company, R.A. Lister and Co Ltd., had its own military band at one time, as well as the brass band.

**Stiperstones Brass - Shropshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1970

**Stirling Brass Band**

See: *Stirling Burgh Band*

**Stirling Burgh Band**

Founded in 1866. Active through to the 1930s. Conducted by W. Drummond in 1928.

**Stirling Public Band**

Active in the 1980s

**Stithians Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active from the early 1860s to the 1870s. A successor band (St Stythians Band) was formed in 1928

- Stockbridge Brass Band** - near Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1873, conductor Henry Smith.
- Stockbridge Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1863
- Stockbridge Works Brass Band** - near Keighley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1861, conductor Hugh Betcliff
- Stockcross Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in 1868
- Stockfield Mission Band** - Acocks Green, Worcestershire  
Active around 1910
- Stockingford Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active from the mid-1880s, still active in 1915. Probably disbanded during WW1.
- Stockport Borough Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1880s to the 1890s
- Stockport Borough Police Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1950s. Possibly a precursor to the current Cheshire Constabulary Band (formed in 1967)
- Stockport Borough Silver Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1950s
- Stockport Boys' Industrial School Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Stockport Industrial School Brass Band*
- Stockport Brass**  
See: *Stockport Telephone Band*
- Stockport Excelsior Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1876, 1880
- Stockport Industrial School Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. The school was opened in 1854, the band being formed around 1876, after a move to new premises in the town - instruments costing £62. After a further move in 1898 to a new building in Offerton, it was also known as the Offerton Industrial School
- Stockport L.M.S. Railway Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1930s to the 1950s
- Stockport London and North Western Railway Employees Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Mr Bullock in 1906, J. Leigh in 1908.
- Stockport Old Yeomanry Band**  
See: *Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band*
- Stockport Police Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Band of the Cheshire Constabulary*
- Stockport Police Band**  
See: *Stockport Borough Police Brass Band*
- Stockport Ragged School Brass Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Stockport Industrial School Brass Band*
- Stockport Silver Band** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1954 - Note: Formed by the merger of Stockport Yeomanry and Edgeley Prize Band
- Stockport Subscription Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the early 1900s, bandmaster Mr Carter. Disbanded in 1906



### **Stockport Telephone Band - Cheshire**

Formed in 1967, conductor Bill Philips, later known as POEU (Post Office Engineering Union) Brass Band (to 1987), British Telecom Band, BT Band (to 2007) and finally Stockport Brass until its demise in January 2009. Most of the original bandsmen were members of that union, being telephone engineers employed at the time by the General Post Office (GPO). In recognition of this support, the band changed its name to the POEU Brass Band. It later became supported by the employer, British Telecom and the name changed to reflect that. In 1992 it became the first ever winners of the newly formed First Section of the National Championships. The band was promoted to the Championship Section in the North West of England and appeared at the British Open in 1998 (coming 9th), 1999 (16th) and 2000 (23rd). As with most bands there were periods of ups and downs and in January 2001 the band was down to about 10 players. With MD Michael Fowles taking up the challenge, within a few weeks they came 5th at the North West Area. This was the start of a partnership between MD and band that saw the band become a consistent performer at major contests - especially at the Regionals.

### **Stockport Temperance Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1880s. It organised a contest in the town in 1889.

### **Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active from the 1860s until 1954, when it merged with the Edgeley Brass Band to form the current Stockport Silver Band. Also known as Lancashire Yeomanry Stockport Band, Cheshire Yeomanry Stockport Band, Late Yeomanry Band, Stockport Yeomanry Cavalry Band and Stockport Old Yeomanry Band.

### **Stockport Yeomanry Cavalry Band**

See: *Stockport Yeomanry Brass Band*

### **Stocks Bridge Works Brass Band**

See: *Stockbridge Works Brass Band*

### **Stocksbridge Amateur Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1891, conductor P.S. Anderson

### **Stocksbridge Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

### **Stocksbridge Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Instituted in 1871. Over the next 17 years attended 52 contests winning 43 prizes, value £336. Conductor in 1888 was Charles Marsden. Also known as Stocksbridge Works Band, associated with the Stocksbridge Steel Works, it folded in the early 1980s

### **Stocksbridge Engineering Steels Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

### **Stocksbridge Old Prize Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s

### **Stocksbridge Temperance Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1905

### **Stocksbridge Works Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1860, conductor H. Biltcliff. Still active in 1868

### **Stocksbridge Works Band (2)**

See: *Stockbridge Band*

### **Stockton Adults Brass Band - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham**

Active in 1889

**Stockton Amateur Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in 1842

**Stockton Borough Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Founded in 1907, bandmaster A. Locksley. Active through to WW1

**Stockton Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1880

**Stockton Catholic Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s

**Stockton Christian Mission Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in 1899

**Stockton Clarence Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in 1842

**Stockton Corporation Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Founded in 1853 by subscription, conductor Thomas S. Watson. "The instruments are saxtubas and cornopeans supplied by Henry Distin." Active into the 1860s

**Stockton Druids' Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1900s. Still active in 1906

**Stockton Equalised Druids Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
See: *Stockton Druids' Band*

**Stockton Malleable and Rail Mill Band**  
See: *Stockton Malleable Band (1)*

**Stockton Malleable Band (1)** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1870s

**Stockton Malleable Band (2)** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the late 1940s and 1950s

**Stockton Malleable Institute Band**  
See: *Stockton Malleable Band*

**Stockton Model Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1890s. Conductor J. Simmonette

**Stockton Municipal Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in 1937

**Stockton North Eastern Railway Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1900s

**Stockton Simonettes Volunteer Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s and active in 1911

**Stockton Subscription Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1900s, disbanding in 1907

**Stockton-on-Tees Home Guard Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Billingham Silver Band*

**Stockton-on-Tees Malleable Works and Institute Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Billingham Silver Band*

**Stockton-on-Tees Union Band** - Durham  
Active in 1856

**Stockwith Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
See: *West Stockwith Brass Band*

**Stogursey Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1857 to 1869

- Stoke Borough Victoria Prize Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Stoke Victoria Prize Brass Band*
- Stoke Brotherhood Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in 1908 and 1912
- Stoke Bruerne Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1868
- Stoke Excelsior Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Founded in 1884, bandmaster A.J. Lansdell. Still active in 1899
- Stoke Excelsior Brass Band** - Stoke Heath,  
Active in 1883
- Stoke Golding Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1856
- Stoke Goldington Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1860
- Stoke Heath R.A.F. Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1950s
- Stoke Newington Borough Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1905
- Stoke Newington British Legion Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s
- Stoke Newington Foresters Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1891.
- Stoke Newington Gospel Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in 1910
- Stoke Old Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s
- Stoke on Trent City Police Band** - Staffordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Florence Brass*
- Stoke Police Band**  
See: *Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Brass Band*
- Stoke Railway Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Stoke Rifles Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s
- Stoke Steam Shed Brass Band**  
See: *Stoke Railway Brass Band*
- Stoke sub Hamdon Band** - Somerset  
Formed in 1891 and disbanded around 1930. A new band was formed in the village in 1945.
- Stoke Victoria Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Stoke Victoria Prize Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1878
- Stoke Workhouse Brass Band** - Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire  
Active from 1881 to the early 1890s. Conductor George Dawson until his death in 1887 (he was also a trombone player).

**Stokeycourcy Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1857

**Stokenchurch Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Stokenchurch Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire  
See: *Stokenchurch Brass Band*

**Stoke-on-Trent Brass** - Staffordshire  
See: *City of Stoke-on-Trent Brass Band*

**Stoke-on-Trent Special Constabulary Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the late 1940s to the 1970s

**Stokesley Volunteer Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1890s

**Stoke-sub-Hamdon Band** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1945 - Former names: Stoke Military Band, converted to all brass in 1950. Stoke Silver Band

**Stone Brass Band** - Stone in Oxney, Kent  
Active from the early 1860 into the 1870s, conductor Frederick Medhurst in 1872

**Stone Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1880s

**Stone Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from the 1850s to the 1870s

**Stone Cross Brass Band** - near Eastbourne, Sussex  
Active in the 1900s through to the late 1920s

**Stone Town Band** - Staffordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1954

**Stone Volunteer Band** - Staffordshire  
Active around 1890, it was formed by Band Sergeant H. Wood from members of Stone's battalion of volunteers. Several of Sergeant Wood's sons served in the company and played in the band. The band was very popular and played at numerous events and dances throughout the area. On Whit Monday 1889 they had the honour of being the first band to play on the bandstand in Longton Park.

**Stonebroom Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Stonebroom Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1898

**Stoneferry Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in the 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Hodge in 1906

**Stoneham School Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire  
Active in the 1970s

**Stonehaven Town Band** - Aberdeenshire  
Active in 1904 to 1913

**Stonehouse Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
Active in the late 1860s

**Stonehouse Public Prize Band**  
See: *Stonehouse Silver Band*

### **Stonehouse Silver Band - Lanarkshire**

Founded in 1900, conductor Tom Hesford. This band was also self-supporting and relied on subscriptions and fund raising events to raise money to buy music, instruments and uniforms. The early years of the band were spent giving local concerts and fund raising events. Throughout the war years they gave concerts for wounded soldiers in hospital and regularly played at the Palace Picture House and the Rex. Also a competing band, they were very successful from 1919 and through the 1920's. In 1919 they won the Scottish Championships and their trombone player James Chalmers was the British Empire Champion Trombonist. They had the reputation of being one of the best bands in Scotland throughout the 1920's. Bob Chalmers led the band during this period. Some may also remember him as a regular correspondent in the Advertiser during the 1920's under the pseudonym of 'Couplaw'. In the thirties the band began to decline, probably due to the industrial depression, financial problems and a general lack of interest. In 1936 a meeting was called which resulted in the bands demise

### **Stonehouse Town Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. Conductor Herbert Bailey in 1902, John Marfell in 1904, Herbert Bailey in 1906, J. Elmer in 1907, Ivor Shipway in 1908. Still active in 1910

### **Stonesfield Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in 1894

### **Stonesfield Silver Band - Oxfordshire**

Formed in 1956 by John Nunn. Prior to that, John's relatives and friends cycled to Woodstock to practise with the Woodstock Town Band. However, attendances at Woodstock became poor and John found himself taking rehearsals at times. One evening they arrived from Stonesfield to find that the door had not been unlocked and they did not go again. As a result of this, the Stonesfield Silver Band was formed and began practising in the old Stonesfield Village Hall. In 1959, Dorothy Calcutt and her very musical family joined the band and from then on the band went from strength to strength in numbers. Mrs Calcutt took a position teaching at the primary school at Woodstock and as funds became more plentiful, she began giving brass lessons there, soon having many of the children playing. Although no charge was made for lessons at the primary school, it was a condition with the loan of an instrument that you also joined the Stonesfield Band. In December 1963, the band went out playing carols 26 times, collecting a princely £28! The band was thrilled with the amount collected and purchased its first tuba with the money. As well as using the old Stonesfield Village Hall as a practice room, the Boot Inn, The Combe Tavern and a now-derelict building erected by the Band on the premises of Dorothy Calcutt were used over the years. In the late 60s, the Band ran an annual solo, duet and quartet contest in Stonesfield where members of the local association used to send along players. The association itself ran a similar contest and although Stonesfield players did not win many trophies, they were usually sure of one trophy - the cup awarded for most entries! At association contests Stonesfield would often enter two bands, junior and senior. In 1997, Terry Brotherhood joined the band as Musical Director. After an illustrious career as a player, including Principal Cornet at Morris Motors Band, Terry's conducting career had taken him to City of Oxford and then Kidlington, who he took to Championship Section status. When Terry joined, the band was struggling at the bottom of the fourth section with a core of just twelve players. Under Terry's directorship, the band won many competitions up and down the country and raced up the tables from Fourth to First Section, competing in three national finals

on the way. In 2006, the band reluctantly bid farewell to Terry and a new Musical Director joined in the form of Simon Jones. The band folded in 2009.

**Stoney Middleton Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1854 to the late 1890s

**Stoney Stanton Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1900s to 1930s

**Stoney Stanton Silver Band**

See: *Stoney Stanton Brass Band*

**Stoneyburn and District Collieries Band**

See: *Stoneyburn Brass Band*

**Stoneyburn and District Public Brass Band**

See: *Stoneyburn Brass Band*

**Stoneyburn Brass Band** - West Lothian

For a mining community to be without a band was unthinkable, and so, in September 1923 a meeting was held in Paton's Picture Palace to consider the formation of a brass band. Joseph Colquhoun chaired the meeting and it was agreed that a band should be formed. A committee was set up with Mr George McDougal as President, Messer's Alex Geddes and Hugh Crawford as Vice-Presidents, John Paton as Secretary and John Murphy as Treasurer. It was proposed that, in order to start raising money for the venture, all the miners were to be asked if they were willing to have a penny deducted from their wages each week. This was agreed, even by the men who came from Blackburn to work in the 'Foulshie'. By November of that year enough money had been raised to get the band started even though they had to hire their instruments. Their first big public appearance was, when as Stoneyburn Brass Band, they proudly led the Gala Procession in July 1924. This band continued to play for many years, apart from the war years, giving pleasure to many and winning several competitions on the way. It was referred to by various names over the years, the Public Band, the Silver Band, the Colliery Band or The Stoneyburn and District Public Brass Band. It was finally disbanded in the early 1960's, and its instruments were handed over to the West Calder Band. Over the years the band had many outstanding conductors, the first being a Mr Wardrope. In 1927 the post was given to a Mr Robert Gillies from Fife and the following year a Mr Williamson took over. Over the next twenty years there is no information about the conductors, but in 1949 a Mr Kirsley was the leader. Played at the Loganlea Gala, Addiewell, Midlothian in 1949. The band was still active into the early 1960s.

**Stoneyburn Colliery Band**

See: *Stoneyburn Brass Band*

**Stoneyburn Public Band**

See: *Stoneyburn Brass Band*

**Stoneywood and Auchmull Union Band** - Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire

Formed in 1850 by George Gibb together with John Beveridge and ten others. Auchmull was the earlier name from the village now known as Bucksburn, and the term 'Union' appears to have been adopted simply to signify that the two villages were united in the band. New instruments were purchased for the twelve original members, but their ownership was vested in a trust as the public property of the two villages. A letter, that was circulated to local gentlemen in an effort to secure funding for the band, read ".... we trust, that through the liberality of the friends of progress, we will be enabled to bring it within the reach of all who have a desire for the cultivation of Music, Thus forming a

source of harmless recreation to us, and a pleasing gratification to the community generally". In 1908 the band was given a new constitution under the name of The Stoneywood Brass Band. A formal link was now established with Alex Pirie and Sons Paper Mill and band practices were held in The Works Hall. It soon became the best known band in the North East of Scotland. By the end of the Second World War the name had been changed to Stoneywood Silver Band. In the post war years the band travelled widely to take part in contests - this included several trips to London for national finals. By the 1980's the link with the mill was finally severed. New rehearsal accommodation was offered by UDI, an off-shore services company with premises in Bridge of Don, and the band changed its name to UDI Brass. In 1997 UDI Brass merged with Aberdeen City Band to form UDI Aberdeen City Band (later Granite City Brass).

#### **Stoneywood Brass Band**

See: *Stoneywood and Auchmull Union Band*

#### **Stoneywood Silver Band**

See: *Stoneywood and Auchmull Union Band*

#### **Stoneywood Works Band**

See: *Stoneywood and Auchmull Union Band*

#### **Stonham Aspal Brass Band - Suffolk**

Active in the 1900s

#### **Stony Stratford Brass Band (1) - Buckinghamshire**

Formed in the 1860s and active to the mid-1870s. Conductor Mr Pinfold in 1874. A successor band was formed in 1887

#### **Stony Stratford Brass Band (2) - Buckinghamshire**

See: *Stony Stratford St Mary's Brass Band*

#### **Stony Stratford Church Band**

See: *Stony Stratford St Mary's Brass Band*

#### **Stony Stratford St Mary's Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Founded in 1887. Active through to at least 1929. Became Stony Stratford Town Silver Band in 1893. Conductor James Ricketts in 1888, T. Sharpe 1891-1907, J. Holdsworth in 1908.

#### **Stony Stratford Town Silver Band - Buckinghamshire**

See: *Stony Stratford St Mary's Brass Band*

#### **Storey's Decorative Products Band - Lancaster, Lancashire**

See: *Standfast Works Band*

#### **Storey's of Lancaster Band - Lancaster, Lancashire**

See: *Standfast Works Band*

#### **Storey's Works Band - Lancaster, Lancashire**

See: *Standfast Works Band*

#### **Storm Brass - Newton Abbott, Devon**

Founded in 2009, aimed to become Devon's premier brass band. MD was Simon Dobson, band manager Ken Cassidy. It had some success, being graded in the 1st Section, and was based at the Stover School. It folded in 2012

#### **Storrington Brass Band - Sussex**

Active from 1861, conductor Mr Page. Formed by monks and lay brothers from the Premonstratensian Priory. It numbered nine to ten performers all playing on brass instruments with rehearsals held in a temporary shed on the site now occupied by the monastery church in Monastery Lane in Storrington. The band played at significant

events in the village such as: 1875 - The band played at the end of a successful trial for the Storrington Parish Council in the Hurston Road case trial held at Brighton Court along with the church bells ringing and fireworks. 1877 - Mention of the band playing at a 100 year old's birthday party. 1878 - The band played to welcome home the victorious cricket team from a match on the Isle of Wight. January 1891 - The band played on the homeward journey from Chantry Mill Pond when a cricket match was played on the ice covered pond! The players wore tall black hats! However, there were no accidents and because the roads were slippery with ó" ice on them , people skated most of the way back into the village! 1902 - Coronation. Storrington Brass Band played music in the procession for the festivities in Storrington. These references do not mention whether the band was the one which was made up of the monks and lay brothers or a subsequent band. The band probably folded around 1902, as Storrington Military Band was formed in 1904.

#### **Storrington Military Band - Sussex**

Formed in 1904. The Prior maintained his interest when the village band appeared in 1904 by subscribing to its funds and inviting it to perform two to three times a year in the monastery grounds. The band was also funded, to some extent, by public subscriptions, but the bulk of the money came from Mr. Trotter's resources and he provided the instruments as well as the music. He played himself and superintended the practices and later a Mr. Bampton came from Christ's Hospital, Horsham, Sussex, to coach it on one day a week. The band gave its first concert in the village hall on December 14th 1904 and in preparation for this a Mr. Smith from Queen's Hall, London, came to coach the performers. A month after this event the band went to Brighton to hear Sousa's band which Sousa himself conducted. In June 1906, the band, which had started with brass only but by this time had added reed instruments, entered for a contest in Horsham. However, on this occasion the players were advised by the judge to go home and learn to play in tune! As time went on, they played concerts; at church parades locally and at flower shows as far afield as Southwater near Horsham. The band played regular concerts in the Square in Storrington which attracted large crowds. It always played carols at Christmas time visiting the big houses in the area such as Parham House, Greyfriars House and Fryern Lodge. Recollections state that for many years it was a much-loved institution in the village and was always called upon whenever there was an occasion for rejoicing. The village cricket team was sometimes welcomed home after victorious matches by the sounds of the band and the pealing of the church bells. However, after the second world war, enthusiasm gradually declined, and the Minute Book of the band comments on the lack of boys turning up for practice and the lack of older members to attract and tutor the younger ones. The band closed in the 1950s.

#### **Stotfold Brass Band - Bedfordshire**

Active in the 1890s to 1910s, probably folded during WW1. Conductor Mr Dodson in 1901, W. Tansley in 1913

#### **Stoughton Brass Band - Surrey**

Active in 1915

#### **Stour Brass Band - Dorset**

See: *East Stour Brass Band*

#### **Stour Vale Brass Band - Dorset**

See: *Marnhull Star of the Vale Brass Band*



**Stour Valley Brass Band** - Dorset

[previous name of current band] See: *Blandford Stour Valley Brass Band*

**Stourbridge Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor W. Field in 1860.

**Stourbridge Iron Works Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1864

**Stourbridge Memorial Band**

See: *Stourbridge War Memorial Club Band*

**Stourbridge War Memorial Club Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1920s

**Stourpaine Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1890s to the 1920s. Conductor John Domoney in 1892 (he was bandmaster for 20 years). Bandmaster E. Wareham in 1906

**Stourport Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Darby in 1883. Probably folded in the mid-1890s. A successor band was formed in 1903.

**Stourport Town Band** - Worcestershire

Founded in 1903, conductor Ben Evers. Probably disbanded in WW1. A successor band was formed in 1969.

**Stourport Victoria Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1880s

**Stourport Youth Band** - Worcestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stourport-On-Severn Brass Band*

**Stourport-On-Severn Brass Band** - Worcestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1969 - Former names: Stourport Youth Band

**Stourton Memorial Public Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Some of its members went on to form the Yorkshire Copper Works Band.

**Stow Brass Band** - Stow-on-the-Wold, Gloucestershire

Active in 1851

**Stow Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1865

**Stower Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *East Stour Brass Band*

**Stowmarket Concert Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1962

**Stowmarket Volunteers Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1880s, conductor H. Gooding in 1888

**Straiton Brass Band** - Midlothian

Formed in the 1880s. Benjamin Sim was its conductor for the first six months of its existence

**Strand Poor Law Schools Band** - Upper Edmonton, Middlesex

See: *Strand Union Schools Band*

**Strand Union Schools Band** - Upper Edmonton, Middlesex

Active in the 1870s to the mid-1900s. Conductor W. Binnie in 1900, L.P. Connor in 1902. The school was opened by the Strand Board of Guardians at Millfield House, Silver

Street, Edmonton, accomodation 400 children. Participation in the school band gave some of the boys the possibility of a future career as military musicians.

**Stranraer Brass** - Wigtownshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Stranraer Brass Band** - Wigtownshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1890s

**Strata Brass** - Hoyland, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1889 - Former names: Hoyland Town Band, Wards Brewery (Hoyland) Band, Ireland Alloys Band, Weaver Building Group Band

**Stratford Brass Band** - Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire

See: *Stratford-upon-Avon Brass Band*

**Stratford Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1900, when it played at the Stansted Flower Show on 4th August.

**Stratford Co-operative Employees Band** - Essex

Active in 1910

**Stratford St Mary Amateur Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1885

**Stratford-upon-Avon Borough Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Stratford-upon-Avon Brass Band*

**Stratford-upon-Avon Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1863 to the 1890s. Conductor Mr Payne in 1863, William Price in 1864-1872.

From the Petty Sessions Court - "Agreement between Thomas Hutchings of S/A, Captain, 4th Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers, and the Executive Committee of the Stratford-on-Avon Town Band for the purchase of instruments and uniforms, 5 May 1893." From the Stratford Sessions Court - "notice of plaint in Henry Mathews (pro Stratford-upon-Avon Brass Band) Professor of Music v. William Mills, Stratford-upon-Avon, needle stamper, for recovery of instrument, music and uniform."

**Strathaven Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active from 1858 to 1868

**Strathaven Instrumental Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

See: *Strathaven Brass Band*

**Strathblane Brass Band** - Stirlingshire

Active in 1866 to 1868

**Strathendrick Brass Band** - Drymen, Stirlingshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Strathmore Brass Band** - Glamis, Angus

See: *Earl of Strathmore's Brass Band*

**Strathpeffer Band** - Ross-shire

Active in the 1890s to 1900

**Stratton Brass Band** - Long Stratton, Norfolk

See: *Long Stratton Brass Band*

**Stratton Brass Band** - Stratton St Margaret, Wiltshire

See: *Stratton St Margaret Brass Band*

**Stratton Brass Band** - Cornwall

Founded in 1846. Active to the late 1920s. Conductor Mr Rattenbury in 1890

**Stratton St Margaret Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the early 1860s to the 1900s

**Stratton Temperance Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1865, conductor J.W. Morfill. Still active in 1869

**Streatham Common Temperance Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1865 to 1868

**Streatham Common Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Surrey

See: *Streatham Common Temperance Brass Band*

**Streatham Town Band** - Surrey

Active in 1891 when it played regularly on Streatham Common

**Street Amateur Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1850s, probably as a factory band. Conductor W. Hawkins in 1868.

Secretary A.P. Huish in 1871. By 1905 it had become a reed and brass band.

**Street Avalonian Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s

**Street Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Street Amateur Brass Band*

**Street Fold Methodist Band** - Moston, Lancashire

See: *Streetfold Band*

**Street Fold Prize Band** - Moston, Lancashire

See: *Streetfold Band*

**Street Gate Brass Band** - near Whickham, Durham

Active in 1857

**Street Good Templar Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Conductor John Farrow in 1881, Mr Hawkins in 1884.

**Streetfold Brass Band** - Moston, Lancashire

Formed in 1919 as the Streetfold Brass Band, later known as Streetfold Methodist Band, Streetfold Prize Band, Moston Band, Moston and Beswick Band (1965-2000). It folded in January 2006. Along the way it amalgamated with the Beswick Prize Band in 1965, and then with Chain Bar Methodist Band in early 1980s. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1962. The following account is provided by Arthur Hall as he neared his 93rd birthday in 2000. "By tradition Streetfold Methodist Church took part in the Whit Friday Procession of Witness following the Beswick Prize Band, who charged a fee. My father, George Hall, who was the Sunday school secretary, collected a penny a week from the members of the church, so that the cost was spread over the twelve-month's period. The Primary Sunday school led the way followed by the church banner with the senior girls holding the banner ropes. The banner depicted Holman Hunt's "The Light of the World". Behind this walked members of the Sunday school followed by the church members. After the First World War, although some of the young men had died in action, a number returned and felt that if other churches, for example Culcheth, had bands, they could found a similar band. It was decided to contact Boosey and Hawkes to find out how much a complete set of instruments would cost. The figure was a little frightening but my father and some like-minded folk said they would raise the money. Each member of the group provided an interest free loan of £10 (which was approx. 1 month's pay for a manager and 6 week's pay for a labourer). The loan raised rather more than £2000 and it took four years to raise the capital. Not only did this money but the instruments, but it paid for the church to be wired for electricity and coke-fired central heating to be fitted. The last £500 paid for the installation of the organ, a gift from the family of a young man from Chester, Lt. Smith (?) who was killed in the Great War. On the front of the organ, behind the pulpit, was a

panel of eleven dummy pipes which, with a brass plate, constituted the War Memorial to the eleven soldiers from Stretford who were killed in action between 1914 and 1918. Having got the instruments, the problem remained to find teachers. Because of the long association with Beswick Band, and appeal was made for help. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Cartwright came to take on the job. It is not clear if they got paid or just got expenses, but they were good at the job. Mr. Nelson became bandmaster and Mr. Cartwright his assistant. Mr. Cartwright had special responsibility for the trombone section. On the night that the instruments were issued I was at the Manchester College of Technology following a course in building and quantity surveying. However, I became the temporary owner of a Flugel horn whilst Donald Whittaker and Eddie Bethell were in the trombone section. Mr. Youd, who was a very good player, led the cornet section. Having the instruments we now needed music stands which my father provided from 3 x 2 uprights and tongue and grooved floor boards, It was the job of the first members on the scene to see that the stands formed a square with Mr. Nelson in the centre giving encouragement and at times admonishing the naked but enthusiastic talent. The trombones were now joined by Fred Eastwood and they made good progress. We later found out that they had marked the notes on the slides with scratches. The band progressed and it was with some anxiety that the Whitsun walk approached. The band had no uniform so we decided to wear straw 'kaydees' which were in vogue as head gear (at this time Culcheth wore top hats and were known as the Culcheth Tall Hat Band). The band lined up for its first public appearance and as we moved towards the Ben Brierley Public House, at the corner of Kenyon Lane, the heavens opened and it was like hailstones beating on top of the 'kaydees'. Needless to say, we survived. On Saturday afternoons, those of us that could be present, used to go to Johnny Brook's farm near the Bluebell Hotel. There were only cows to complain if you played the wrong note. Mr. Youd was in charge of the motley but enthusiastic group of players. As time passed, the band became better and better and we started to enter band competitions. We were up against some of the top bands in the country who used the small events on their way home from garden parties to boost their prize money. However, the day arrived when in competition we won the contest and became Streetfold Prize Band. Someone had fixed a sign on the front of the big drum and Mr. Nelson was presented with a bandmaster's coat by a firm who made band uniforms. At the same time, the euphonium player won the gold medal for his solo. The band had arrived. At this juncture due to pressure at night school, I had to withdraw from the band. It was good fellowship and whilst I maintained my friendship with individuals, the band had to take second place."

**Stretford Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1849 - Former names: Stretford Silver Band, Stretford Old Band - Note: Some members split away in 1933 to form Stretford Temperance Band (later to become Sale Brass Band)

**Stretford Borough Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sale Brass*

**Stretford Church Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed July 1877. Active into the 1880s. Conductor R. Manden in 1882

**Stretford Old Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stretford Band*

**Stretford Silver Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Stretford Band*

**Stretford Temperance Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sale Brass*

**Stretford Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1840s. A band of the same name was formed when some players split away from Stretford Silver Band in 1933 (later to become Sale Brass Band)

**Stretford Village Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to WW1.

**Strichen Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active from the 1850s to the 1900s. Conductor Alexander Wills in 1894, J. Gray in 1901

**Strichen Instrumental Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Strichen Brass Band*

**Strichen Union Instrumental Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Strichen Brass Band*

**Strines Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1860

**Strood Brass Band** - Kent

See: *Strood Gospel Mission Prize Band*

**Strood Gospel Mission Silver Band** - Kent

Formed in 1898, attached to the Strood Gospel Mission Church in Brompton Lane, Strood. During the inter-war years the Band took part in contests at the Crystal Palace in London and had a small measure of success at these events. After the war the Band continued to play in the Mission Hall but ceased contesting. The numbers steadily fell until in the late 1980s there were only 12 or 13 members. The Band ceased to be associated with Strood Gospel Mission in 1996 at the same time changing its name to The Master's Brass and moving to the new venue of St Nicholas's Church Hall in Strood. The Band celebrated its centenary in 1998 with a membership of 25. In 2001 the Band again changed its name to City of Rochester Brass. Over the succeeding years the number of adult players gradually declined and the band was unable to recruit new players, finally ceasing in 2009. The remaining members devoted their efforts to forming and tutoring a new junior training band - North Kent Youth Brass Band

**Strood Mission Band** - Kent

See: *Strood Gospel Mission Prize Band*

**Strood Temperance Band** - Kent

See: *Strood Gospel Mission Prize Band*

**Stroud and District Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed March 1945 from the 7th Battalion Gloucesters Home Guard Band. Still active in 1960

**Stroud Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1860s to 1870s

**Stroud Green Brass Band** - Newbury, Berkshire

Active in the late 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor A. Hewell in 1903

**Stroud Town Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1880s. The band folded in 1932.

**Stubbins Vale Brass Band** - Stubbins, near Ramsbottom, Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to the 1950s. Possibly linked, originally, to the Stubbins Vale Mill which was built in 1851.

**Stubshire Cross Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1950s

**Studley Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1857, 1863

**Sturminster Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1861

**Sturminster Marshall Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor John Baker in 1887-1891

**Sturminster Marshall Saxtuba Band** - Dorset  
See: *Sturminster Marshall Brass Band*

**Sturminster Newton Brass Band** - Dorset  
See: *Sturminster Newton Town Band*

**Sturminster Newton Good Templar Brass Band**  
See: *Sturminster Newton Temperance Band*

**Sturminster Newton Oddfellows Brass Band** - Dorset  
Founded in 1862 by Brother Thomas Strange

**Sturminster Newton Temperance Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s. In 1883 Frank Topp was conductor, James Lydford secretary

**Sturminster Newton Town Band** - Dorset  
Formed around 1890. Active through to the 1920s. Conductor T. Tuck in 1891, Mr Clarke in 1904, Edwin George Pitt bandmaster in 1906.

**Sturton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Sturton le Steeple Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1905

**Styal Cottage Homes Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1900, conductor C. Courbard. The home was opened in 1898 by the Chorlton Board of Guardians to house destitute children. It housed 450 children in the early 1900s

**Submarine Miners (Royal Engineers) Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Middlesbrough Model Brass Band*

**Suckley Excelsior Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1900

**Sudbury Brass Band (1)** - Suffolk  
Active from the mid-1850s to WW1. Conductor John Bruce in 1860

**Sudbury Brass Band (2)** - Suffolk  
See: *Sudbury Town Band*

**Sudbury Town Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1920s, at least to 1929. Did not survive beyond WW2

**Sudehill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1859 when it performed at a gala at Horn Hill, near Snowgate Head.

**Suffolk Fire Service Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
[previous name of current band] See: *Suffolk Phoenix Brass*

**Suffolk Phoenix Brass** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
[current band] - Founded in the 1970s - Former names: Suffolk Fire Service Band

**Suffolk Yeomanry Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in the 1960s. Also known as 308 Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry Band

- Summerbridge and Dacre Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1902 - Former names: Summerbridge and Dacre Temperance Brass Band - Note: Darley Silver Band merged in 1959
- Summerbridge and Dacre Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Summerbridge and Dacre Silver Band*
- Summercourt Brass Band** - Cornwall  
 Active from the 1870s to the late 1920s. Tom Brenton (d.1923) was bandmaster for many years, at least from 1890.
- Summerhayes Brass Band** - Taunton, Somerset  
 Active in 1851
- Summerlee Brass Band** - Lanarkshire  
 Active in 1864
- Summer's Steel Works Band**  
 See: *John Summers and Sons Steelworks Band*
- Summerseat Brass Band** - Lancashire  
 Active in the 1900s to 1930s. Conductor William Pollard in 1909
- Summit Brass Band** - near Littleborough, Lancashire  
 Active in 1866
- Sun Life Band**  
 See: *Stanshawe/Sun Life Band*
- Sun Life Stanshawe Band**  
 See: *Stanshawe/Sun Life Band*
- Sunbury Art Works Band**  
 See: *Sunbury Brass Band*
- Sunbury Brass Band** - Middlesex  
 Founded in 1885. Active through to the 1920s. A.L. Preston conductor in 1901
- Sunbury Decorative Art Works Band** - Middlesex  
 See: *Sunbury Brass Band*
- Sunderland Amalgamated Musicians' Band** - Durham  
 Active in the early 1900s
- Sunderland and District Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active in the 1910s
- Sunderland Borough Band** - Durham  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Sunderland Brass Band*
- Sunderland Borough Band** - Durham  
 Founded in 1906
- Sunderland Borough Police Band** - Durham  
 Formed in 1866, still active in the early 1960s. Conductor Mr Lax in 1869
- Sunderland Boys Industrial School Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active from the 1880s to the early 1900s. The Sunderland Industrial and Ragged School was established in around 1850 on Silver Street, Sunderland. The school closed in 1924.
- Sunderland Bridge Brass Band** - Durham  
 Active in 1843
- Sunderland British Legion Band** - Durham  
 Formed after 1918

**Sunderland East End Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s - probably folded during WW1. Conductor R. Childs in 1894, J.G. Mackinstosh in 1900

**Sunderland Highways Silver Band** - Durham

Formed August 1946, active into the early 1950s

**Sunderland International Concert Band** - Durham

Active in the 1970s - a former Sunderland Education Authority Band that achieved high standards in the youth band scene, then later in the adult arena with good contest results before suddenly fading away, remaining members amalgamating with the City of Sunderland Band around the early 1980s.

**Sunderland Lifeboat Crew Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1868

**Sunderland Naval Brass Band** - Durham

Active between 1899 and 1916. Possibly a brass and reed band

**Sunderland Operatic Band** - Durham

Active from the 1870s to around 1900. In 1882, conductor was J.G. Cooper

**Sunderland Orphan Asylum Band** - Durham

The asylum was located on Sunderland Moor, and the band was tutored by Edward Sanderson. The boys gave regular concerts on the moor.

**Sunderland Police Band** - Durham

See: *Sunderland Borough Police Band*

**Sunderland Sailor Boys Band** - Durham

Active in 1904

**Sunderland Salem Mission Band** - Durham

Active in 1906

**Sunderland Shipbuilders Band** - Durham

Active in 1923, possibly formed in the early 1900s

**Sunderland St Joseph's Brass Band** - Durham

See: *St Joseph's Catholic Brass Band*

**Sunderland T.L.F. Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Sunderland Temperance Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Sunderland Brass Band*

**Sunderland Temperance Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1890s to the 1910s. Conductor James Thurlow in 1899. J Moulding bandmaster in 1906

**Sunderland Tramways Employees Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Sunderland Brass Band*

**Sunderland Transport Employees Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Sunderland Brass Band*

**Sunderland Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1910s. Conductor Mr Blackett in 1910

**Sunderland Workhouse Brass Band** - Durham

Founded in 1867 as a juvenile brass band with 13 members, conductor Mr Ticehurst. Conductor W. Lax in 1885

**Sunderland Youth International Concert Band** - Durham

Active in the late 1960s, early 1970s



**Sundon Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Re-organised under conductor H. Timms in 1907. Mr Ellingham conductor in 1909, when the band played at the funeral of its second horn player, Albert Bygrave, aged 12. Active through to 1910

**Sundon Park Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active from the early 1970s. Renamed Farr's of Luton Brass Band in 1987, folding in the early 1990s

**Sunlight Brass Band**

See: *Port Sunlight Brass Band*

**Sunlight Works Band**

See: *Port Sunlight Brass Band*

**Sunniside Colliery Band** - Tow Law,

Folded after WW2

**Sunny Brow Colliery Band**

See: *Sunnybrow Colliery Band*

**Sunny Vale Brass Band**

Active in 1935 when it played at the Brighthouse Borough Jubilee Celebrations

**Sunnybrow Brass Band** - Willington, Durham

Active in the 1870s

**Sunnybrow Colliery Band** - Willington, Durham

Founded in the 1890s. Still active in 1943. Folded during or shortly after WW2. Also known as Willington Colliery Band.

**Sunnyside Brass Band** - Burnley, Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Sunnyside Mill Brass Band** - Daubhill, Lancashire

Active in 1869, conductor Mr Pearson

**Surbiton Hill Workmen's Band** - Surrey

Founded in February 1870, Sergeant Brockett the bandmaster. The instruments, costing £60, had been provided by Messrs Distin of London. Still active in 1908

**Surby Band** - Isle of Man

[previous name of current band] See: *Rushen Silver Band*

**Surrey Ancient Order of Foresters' Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1866

**Surrey Industrial School for Boys Band** - Mayford, Surrey

The home opened in 1887, with accommodation for 180 boys. The band was active from 1888. There were 24 players in the band in 1892.

**Surrey Side Temperance Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Surrey Street Mission Band** - Kings Lynn, Norfolk

Active between the 1890s and 1930s. Later known as Kings Lynn Imperial Silver Band

**Surrey Street Silver Band** - Kings Lynn, Norfolk

See: *Surrey Street Mission Band*

**Sussex Brass (Hastings)** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1968 - Note: Formed by merger of Pevensey Silver Band & Hastings Borough Band. Has its origins and roots in Pevensey Silver Band, Hastings and St Leonard's Band, Wellington Square Boys Band and others.

**Sutcombe Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1856

**Suttell's Harmonic Brass Band** - Redcar, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1900

**Suttill's Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Middlesbrough Temperance Band (2)*

**Sutton (Nag's Head) Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1862

**Sutton and Cherington Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1935

**Sutton and Hucknall United Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the early 1880s the 1900s.

**Sutton at Hone Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1871 through to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Townsend in 1906

**Sutton Benger Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Founded in December 1859, consisting of six villagers

**Sutton Bonington Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the late 1870s to the late 1890s

**Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton at Hone, Kent

See: *Sutton at Hone Brass Band*

**Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton Benger, Wiltshire

See: *Sutton Benger Brass Band*

**Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Brass Band*

**Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton Valence, Kent

See: *Sutton Valence Brass Band*

**Sutton Brass Band** - Sutton-on-Trent, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton-on-Trent Brass Band*

**Sutton Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Sutton in the Isle Brass Band*

**Sutton Bridge Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Mr Farmer in 1906

**Sutton Bridge British Legion Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1930s

**Sutton Church Brass Band** - near Peasley Cross, Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Sutton Harmonic Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Old Harmonic Brass Band*

**Sutton Harmonic Brass Band** - Sutton-on-Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1864, conductor Henry Marshall. Still active in 1897

**Sutton in Ashfield Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Conductor J. Dennis in 1860. Active in 1873 when it provided the entertainment commemorating a new club at the Pilsley Colliery Company on 6th September 1873. It had folded by 1907 when only the Temperance and Old Prize bands were active in Sutton.

### **Sutton in Ashfield Model Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

In 1876, as the band was returning from the Belper "Tap Dressing" Festival in the evening of July 5th, one of their members-Charles Searson, of Crown Street, by some means or other fell off the brake on to the ground, near to the spot where the old toll-bar was located on South Normanton Common, killing him almost instantaneously. He was only 38, and his untimely demise under such sad circumstances was deeply deplored by his fellow bandsmen. The band was still active in 1907.

### **Sutton in Ashfield Model Harmonic Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Old Harmonic Brass Band*

### **Sutton in Ashfield Old Harmonic Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Sutton Old Harmonic Band earned a great reputation in the midland counties in the later part of the 19th century under the conductorship of Mr. Joseph Dennis, during the period 1870 to 1880. Owing to illness, Mr Dennis had to resign, and Mr A. H. Bonser, who was living at Leamington House in 1881, was invited to succeed him. In the spring of 1882 Mr. Denser took over the conductorship, and the band, with Mr Dennis, met in the garden at Leamington House to complete the transfer. The band added to its excellent reputation during the following 20 years, being in great demand, and earned hundreds of pounds in fees for parades and fetes and galas all over the counties around Nottinghamshire. Many prizes were won at band contests, which were very popular. In 1884 the band competed at a brass band contest at Derby Drill Hall with 17 other bands, and secured second place. Mr. Bonser was awarded an ivory baton, with beautiful silver mounting, for being the most efficient conductor present. In 1889 the band were engaged by the Duke of Portland to entertain his tenants at a great gathering at Welbeck Abbey for the whole day. All the bandsmen sat down to a wonderful lunch, with champagne, followed by drinks and smokes during the afternoon, and were sent home in a large brake pulled by three horses to the Denman's Head Hotel. in Sutton Market Place. Rehearsal performances were given in the old Market Place and were much appreciated. Sutton in those days was one of the most musical towns in the whole country. The band was still active in 1894

### **Sutton in the Isle Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active from before 1891. Records of the band, from 1893-1906, are held by Cambridgeshire County Record Office, Cambridge. Still active in 1907

### **Sutton Manor Colliery Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

### **Sutton Manor Institute Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Sutton Manor Colliery Band*

### **Sutton Model Prize Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Model Brass Band*

### **Sutton Old Harmonic Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Old Harmonic Brass Band*

### **Sutton Old Model Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

See: *Sutton in Ashfield Model Brass Band*

### **Sutton Poor Law School Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1874, when it had 70 boys, 30 of whom were learners. Still active in 1900, conductor J.A. Browne.

**Sutton Red Cross Temperance Band - Surrey**

Founded in 1905, bandmaster H. Harding. Active to the 1920s, conductor W. Gill from c. 1910.

**Sutton Road Brass Band - St Helen's, Lancashire**

See: *Sutton Road Wesleyan Brass Band*

**Sutton Road Wesleyan Brass Band - St Helen's, Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s

**Sutton School Brass Band - Surrey**

See: *Sutton Poor Law School Brass Band*

**Sutton Scotney Brass Band - Hampshire**

Probably formed between the two world wars and folded in the early 1970s. Active in 1936 when it led a parade to Wonston Holy Trinity Church. Stuart Hay, a member of the band from 1954 through 1966, recalls: "At the age of 11 I was taught to play cornet by Fred Mathews - Euphonium, along with three other local kids from the village of Springvale near Kings Worthy. The band operated out of the local Springvale British Legion Club hall on Wednesday nights. At that time the band mustered about one dozen with two members from the village of origin Sutton Scotney - Fred Taylor - Tuba of Taylor Motors, and Stan ? - cornet. Other members came from Winchester and the surrounding villages as far out as Micheldever and a couple of Navy bandsmen from Worthy Down Fleet Air Arm Corps. Public performances were few, village fates, summer carnivals, Armistice Day parades and Christmas caroling - these events were augmented by musicians from Whitchurch and Andover Brass Bands. The three bands combined their forces for each others engagements and consequently were well travelled from Hungerford to Winchester and all places between. By the late 50's rehearsals had moved to the top floor of the Co-op Bakery in Winchester which happened to be directly opposite and in-the-line-of-fire of the belfry of Winchester Cathedral - rehearsals continued at the Co-op for several years until the Cathedral bell ringers decided to run their rehearsal at the same time at band practice - it was no contest so we moved to a room over the local Willow Tree Inn somewhat sheltered from the cathedral by the towering structure of the old bakery but never completely free of those infernal bells - on reflection I'd put it that they made a significant contribution to the bands demise. The band continued to operate into the early 70's - I'd estimate the band folded by 1973 and I believe the instruments were donated to the Hampshire Schools Brass Band". Another source recalls the instruments being lent to South Wonston School before being returned to the village and finally deposited with the Horniman Museum, London. See: "Sutton Scotney Band Instruments" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for further details.

**Sutton Temperance Band - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1906, and around 1919, when Arthur Spencer was the bandmaster. In 1906 the bandsmen were: B. Elliott, F. Perrin, A. Whetton, C. Whitehead, F. Simms, J. W. Shaw, W. Davies, J. Booth, H. Heath (Treasurer), W. Searson, M. Turner, C. Wells, J. Attewell (Bandmaster, of Kirkby-in-Ashfield), H. Minchan (Assistant Bandmaster), G Lane, S. Williamson. H. Clarke, A. Lane, C. Dove, I. Gough (Secretary), B. Smith, and R. Vaughan.

**Sutton Town Band - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire**

See: *Sutton United Town Band*

**Sutton United Sherwood Brass Band - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire**

Active in 1864

**Sutton United Town Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1885, but had folded by 1907 when only the Temperance and Old Prize bands were active in Sutton.

**Sutton Valence Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Maytum in 1871

**Sutton Veny Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1860, 1862

**Sutton Village Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Sutton in the Isle Brass Band*

**Sutton-on-Trent Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

The Worksop Journal reported that on Whit Monday 1856, when three Friendly Societies formed a procession, three Bands took part. After the procession to the Parish Church and Divine Service, they dined at various hostelries. The Old Abbey Club dined at the Corn Exchange where Mr Marshall of the Greyhound Inn catered for 240 persons. The Mosbro' Band attended and played appropriate airs after each toast. The Golden Ball Friendly Society dined in their large room.... and the Sherwood Rangers Band contributed to the pleasure of the day. The Wheat Sheaf Club dined at the club room of the Wheat Sheaf Inn, and the Sutton Brass Band very much delighted the Society with their performances. The Sutton Band was still active in 1897 when it took part in the Diamond Jubilee celebrations at Winthorpe, and 1898 when they took part in the Newark celebrations of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.

**Swadlincote Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active from the 1860s to the late 1940s. It promoted a brass band contest in 1896. In 1926, it entered the Spondon Contest, conducted by A. Hilton. Competed in a brass band contest at Overseal, Leicestershire in July 1921, under conductor C. Sharpe (drawn 9 of 11 bands, they were not placed). Known as Swadlincote Town Band from the mid-1920s

**Swadlincote Garibaldi Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Gresley and Swadlincote Garibaldi Brass Band*

**Swadlincote Old Brass Band**

See: *Swadlincote Brass Band*

**Swadlincote Town Silver Band**

See: *Swadlincote Brass Band*

**Swaffham Town Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1920s to the early 1960s

**Swainby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1854

**Swainby Village Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1905

**Swalwell and Derwent Valley Brass Band**

See: *Swalwell Brass Band (1)*

**Swalwell and Derwenthaugh Brass Band**

See: *Swalwell Brass Band (1)*

**Swalwell Brass Band (1)** - Durham

Active from the 1850s to the 1870s. Also known as Swalwell and Derwent Valley Brass Band. Conductor William Errington in 1874

**Swalwell Brass Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s, folded in the 1920s. Bandmaster Luke Harker in 1907

### **Swan Foundry Band**

Active in the 19th century. The works band of the W.J. Hillson Swan Foundry in Langley, Worcestershire.

### **Swan Garden Ironworks Brass Band - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire**

Founded in 1882, active into the 1890s. Conductor H.J. Metcalfe in 1887. John Lysaght and Co. bought the disused Swan Garden Works in 1878, producing 40,000 tons of rolled iron sheet per year by 1880.

### **Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band - Wallsend, Northumberland**

See: *Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band*

### **Swan Hunter Silver Band - Wallsend, Northumberland**

Active in the 1970s - probably a successor band to the Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band, which folded in the 1950s.

### **Swan Lane Brass Band - Hindley, Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s - possibly linked to the Swan Lane Colliery.

### **Swanage Brass Band (1) - Dorset**

Active in the 1850s, folding before 1861

### **Swanage Brass Band (2) - Dorset**

Founded in October 1862, with 15 members and managed by a "committee of four respectable tradesmen". Conductor Mr Skivington in 1863. Conductor John Haysom(e) in 1864. Active through to the 1930s. Known as Swanage Town Band from the 1890s onward.

### **Swanage British Legion Band - Dorset**

Active in the 1950s

### **Swanage Town Band**

See: *Swanage Brass Band*

### **Swanbourne Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

See: *Swanbourne Excelsior Brass Band*

### **Swanbourne Excelsior Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in 1888, conductor George Edwins. Still active in 1910

### **Swanbrook Soundwell Band**

See: *Soundwell Brass Band*

### **Swanbrook Transport Band**

See: *Soundwell Brass Band*

### **Swanley Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1880s. Conductor James Kearsley in 1887

### **Swanscombe and Greenhithe Band - Kent**

Formed in the late 1920s

### **Swanscombe Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the early 1900s

### **Swanscombe Brotherhood Band - Kent**

Active in 1918

### **Swansea Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1880s

### **Swansea Foresters' Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in 1846 when they went on an excursion to Ilfracombe on the sea packet "Lord Beresford"

**Swansea Improvement and Tramways Band** - Glamorgan  
 See: *Swansea Tramways Band*

**Swansea National Fire Service Band** - Glamorgan  
 [no information]

**Swansea Postal and Telegraph Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Bartlett in 1902

**Swansea St John Ambulance Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1920s

**Swansea Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Bandmaster Mr Davies in 1907

**Swansea Town Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1880s to 1930s

**Swansea Tramways Band** - Glamorgan  
 Founded in 1902, still active in 1908. Conductor W. Maimone in 1904

**Swanwick Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active in 1860, conductor J. Briggs

**Swanwick Collieries Band** - Derbyshire  
 Active from the early 1900s to WW2. Conducted from 1926 by Edward P. Snook, b. 1888, who had been a highly regarded bandmaster in the Royal Marines. Known as Swanwick Collieries Silver Prize Band in 1914

**Swanwick Colliery Band**  
 See: *Swanwick Collieries Band*

**Swaton Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
 Active in 1861 to 1867. Leader W. Cooper in 1866

**Swindon (Gorse Hill) Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*

**Swindon B.R. Band** - Wiltshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*

**Swindon Band** - Wiltshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Brass*

**Swindon Borough Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in the 1900s

**Swindon Brass** - Wiltshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1982 - Former names: Swindon Young Musician's Youth Brass Band, Swindon Youth Brass (1986), Swindon Band (1991-1995)

**Swindon Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in 1874

**Swindon Concert Brass** - Wiltshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*

**Swindon Home Guard Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in 1944

**Swindon Mechanics Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in 1855

**Swindon Old Comrades Band** - Wiltshire  
 Active in the 1930s

**Swindon Pegasus Brass** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1912 - Former names: Swindon (Gorse Hill) Brass Band, Great Western Railway Social, Education and Union Association Band, Swindon Rail Staff Association Band, British Railways Silver Band (Swindon), Swindon B.R. Band (to 1989), Swindon Concert Brass

**Swindon Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1883 to 1908

**Swindon Prospect Primitive Methodist Mission Brass Band**

See: *Swindon Prospect Silver Band*

**Swindon Prospect Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Formed in 1908 at the Prospect Methodist Church, their object was to support as far as possible every charitable cause in Swindon. It was still active in 1953.

**Swindon Rail Staff Association Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Pegasus Brass*

**Swindon Railway Brass Band**

See: *Great Western Railway Brass Band*

**Swindon Town Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the mid-1950s to the mid-1960s

**Swindon Wesleyan Mission Band**

See: *Gorse Hill Wesleyan Mission Brass Band*

**Swindon Young Musician's Youth Brass Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Brass*

**Swindon Youth Brass** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Swindon Brass*

**Swineshead Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Swineshead Silver Band*

**Swineshead Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Founded in September 1886, bandmaster Mr Sparrow, conductor W.H. Morgan. Active through to the early 1900s. Faded/folded around 1906/7

**Swineshead Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Founded in 1908, bandmaster George Hartwell. Still active in 1911

**Swineshead Silver Band** - Lincolnshire

[current band] - Founded in 1886 - Former names: Swineshead Brass Band

**Swinford Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1863

**Swingfield Brass Band** - Kent

Active around 1895

**Swinstead Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s

**Swinton and District Excelsior Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1936

**Swinton and Pendlebury High School Brass Band**

See: *Swinton and Pendlebury Borough Band (youngsters)*

**Swinton and Pendlebury Borough Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1930s to the 1970s

**Swinton and Pendlebury Borough Band (youngsters)** - Lancashire

Formed in 1972. Won the Manchester blow by blow contest in 1978.



**Swinton Brass Band** - Berwickshire

Active from the late 1860s to the 1900s. Conductor James Guthrie, bandmaster John Chalmers in 1889

**Swinton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1870s to WW2. Known as Swinton Town Band from the 1910s onward. Conductor T. Goodier in 1876

**Swinton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Mexborough and Swinton Brass Band*

**Swinton Concert Brass** - Lancashire

Formed in the late 1960s or the early 1970s as a local Scout and Guide Band. It didn't really have a proper name then but developed into "Youth Town Brass" when local schoolchildren began joining. Eventually, they all grew up and some older people joined and it was decided that the 'Youth' wasn't really suitable, so the committee decided on Swinton Concert Brass. Sponsorship changed the name to "Kennedy's Swinton Concert" and they went on to win the British Open in 1989. When the sponsorship ended it went back to Swinton Concert Brass.

**Swinton Industrial School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1855, conductor Mr Connally. The school was established in 1845, on Partington Lane, for pauper children. The band was still active around 1900

**Swinton Schools Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Swinton Industrial School Brass Band*

**Swinton Town Band**

See: *Swinton Brass Band*

**Sydling Amateur Brass Band** - Sydling St Nicholas, Dorset

Active in 1892

**Syke Mouth Brass Band** - Swineshead, Lincolnshire

Active in 1860, 1862

**Symington's Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1874 - possibly related to the Syminton's soup powder factory in Little Bowden. May be the same band as "Little Bowden Brass Band"

**Syner and Harvey's Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Messrs Harvey and Syner's Brass Band*

**Syston and Thurmaston Silver Band**

See: *Syston Brass Band*

**Syston and Thurmaston United Band**

See: *Syston Brass Band*

**Syston Band** - Leicestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1971 - Former names: Syston Silver Band, Syston Royal British Legion Band (from 1972 to 1995)

**Syston Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in the 1870s as Ellmore's Can and Basket Works Brass Band, later known as Syston and Thurmaston Silver Band (1890s), Syston and Thurmaston Silver Prize Band (1900s) and finally Syston Silver Band (1950s). It disbanded in 1957. Conductor W.F. Atter in 1911, A. Castle in 1925. A successor band was formed in 1971

**Syston Parochial Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1874

**Syston Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1897 to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Brant in 1908

**Syston Royal British Legion Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Syston Band*

**Syston Silver Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Syston Band*

**Sywell Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1884

**T Division Police Brass Band** - Hammersmith, Middlesex  
Active in 1868, conductor Mr Lake. See also B, D, E, G, H, K, L, N, P and S Division Police Brass Bands

**T.D.S. Lancashire Brass**  
See: *Lancashire Brass*

**T.L.F. Works Brass Band**  
See: *Sunderland T.L.F. Brass Band*

**T.W. Lench Excelsior Works Band**  
See: *Lench's Excelsior Works Band*

**Tachbrook Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active from the early 1860s to the 1890s

**Tadcaster Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the early 1850s to the 1930s

**Taddington Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s, conductor Mr Bembridge.

**Tadley (MGH) Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tadley Brass Band*

**Tadley and Ashford Hill Silver Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1920s. One of the bandsmen was Benjamin Miles.

**Tadley Brass Band** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Tadley Gospel Temperance Band, Tadley Silver Band, Tadley Silver Prize Band, Tadley (MGH) Band

**Tadley Concert Brass** - Hampshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1975 - Former names: Tadley Youth Band

**Tadley Gospel Temperance Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tadley Brass Band*

**Tadley Silver Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tadley Brass Band*

**Tadley Youth Band** - Hampshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tadley Concert Brass*

**Tadmarton Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
Active in the 1910s

**Taff Merthyr Colliery Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1930s

**Taibach and Port Talbot Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Taibach Temperance Band*

**Taibach Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor J. Coombs in 1905

- Tain Brass Band (1)** - Ross-shire  
Active in the 1850s
- Tain Brass Band (2)** - Ross-shire  
Founded in 1865, teacher Mr Wernthal, possibly linked to the local volunteer company.  
Still active in 1866
- Tain Oddfellows Band** - Ross-shire  
Active in the 1900s, bandmaster Mr Arthur in 1901, Mr Hutcheson in 1904
- Talacre Beach Caravan Park Band**  
See: *Point of Ayr Colliery Band*
- Talargoch Brass Band** - Dyserth, Flintshire  
Active in 1869
- Talbot Brass** - Halifax, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1843
- Talbot Brass** - Dorset  
Formed in the late 1970s or early 1980s and active through to the mid-1990s. A youth band also existed.
- Talbot Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor G.J. Simms in 1883
- Talbot Village Brass Band** - Dorset  
See: *Talbot Brass Band*
- Talk o' th' Hill Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Talke Brass Band*
- Talke Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active from 1860 to the 1880s. Conductor in 1878 was T. Charlesworth. Also known as Talk o' th' Hill Brass Band
- Talysarn Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Tamworth Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Tamworth Town Brass Band*
- Tamworth Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Formed in 1906, bandmaster Mr Titterton. It folded prior to WW1.
- Tamworth Town Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s to 1900s, folding before WW1. Conductor Mr Davis in 1904
- Tanat Valley Band** - Montgomeryshire  
[no information]
- Tanfield and Stanley Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1900s
- Tanfield Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1864 to 1867
- Tanfield Lea Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Tanfield Lea Saxhorn Band*
- Tanfield Lea Colliery Band** - Durham  
Formed in the 1880s, folded in the 1950s
- Tanfield Lea Saxhorn Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1860s, presumed to have folded prior to the formation of the colliery band in the 1880s.

**Tangye Brothers Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

See: *Messrs Tangye Brothers and Price Brass Band*

**Tankersley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1891.

**Tantobie Foresters' Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1863

**Taplow Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1855, 1862

**Taplow St Nicholas Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from 1861 through the 1860s, conductor Mr Rutland.

**Tapton Schools Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the early 2000s

**Tarbert Brass Band** - Inverness-shire

Active in 1886

**Tarland Amateur Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active in 1867 to 1876

**Tarland Brass Band**

See: *Tarland Amateur Brass Band*

**Tarleton and District Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tarleton Brass Band*

**Tarleton Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 2000 - Former names: Tarleton & District Band

**Tarmac Lyceum Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Port Sunlight Lyceum Brass*

**Tarporley and Clotton Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s to 1930s

**Tarporley Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1875 - Former names: Tarporley Silver Band

**Tarporley Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s to 1915. Conductor A. Cookson in 1896, G. Lindop in 1905. Bought new instruments in 1897

**Tarporley Silver Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tarporley Band*

**Tarran Waterloo Silver Band**

See: *Hull Waterloo Band*

**Tarrant Monkton Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from 1866 to the 1900s. Secretary G. Harris in 1894

**Tarrant's Brass Band** - Byfleet, Surrey

Active in the 1900s to the 1920s, and closely associated with Tarrants the builders in Byfleet. W.G. Tarrant had quite a business and built many houses in the area including many on St George's Hill. His yard stood in Chertsey Road and the site has recently been built over with new houses, which is quite an irony! Mr Tarrant seemed to be quite a character, and was involved with the invention of the Jim diving suit, the first articulated deep sea diving suit - the prototype of which was tested in a large tank in his yard. He was also involved with the Tarrant Tabor triplane, an ambitious project to build a long range bomber, which unfortunately crashed on its maiden take off.

**Tarvin Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1840s and 1880s

**Tata Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1957 - Former names: British Steel Band (Port Talbot), Corus Concert Band, Corus (Port Talbot) Brass Band (to 2011)

**Tatham's Works Brass Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire

See: *Moss Lane Works Brass Band*

**Tatsfield Brass Band** - Surrey

[no information]

**Taunton Brass Band (1)** - Somerset

Active in the early 1850s, folding in 1891. Conductor Mr Webber in 1857, Mr Crockett in 1884. A successor band was formed in 1893

**Taunton Brass Band (2)** - Somerset

See: *Taunton Town Band*

**Taunton Foresters' Brass Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1863, conductor S. Summerhayes. Still active in 1867

**Taunton Headquarters Volunteer Battalion Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1880s

**Taunton Subscription Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1860

**Taunton Town Band** - Somerset

Formed in February 1893, conductor F.J. Moore in 1893. Active through to 1916. The town council stepped in to assist the band in 1898 when they got into debt, secretary William Henry Wake, treasurer Councillor A.E. Perkins. It fell out with the council in 1901, re-attaching itself to the local Volunteers. The band, under the baton of F.J. Cheek seems to have taken back the title of Town Band by 1903.

**Taverham Band** - Norfolk

[current band] - Founded in 1974

**Tavistock Brass Band** - Devon

Active from the 1840s to the early 1890s. A successor band (Tavistock Town Band) was formed in 1897.

**Tavistock Rifle Volunteers Band** - Devon

Formed in 1859 and still active in the 1880s.

**Tavistock Town Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1974

**Tavistock Town Band (1)** - Devon

Formed in 1897 by George Williams of the Tavistock Mercantile Association. However it soon ran into trouble. The administration was apparently poor and the finances also - the rumour that this was the result of bandsmen receiving free drinks at the Queen's Head after band practices was hotly denied! In 1900 an opposition band was launched amid stories that the Town Band was facing collapse. They managed to keep going, but finally folded in 1912.

**Tavistock Town Band (2)** - Devon

Formed in 1937. Again there seemed to be problems with the band's administration and various controversies, leading the band to disband in July 1939, on the face of it due to the "crisis" i.e. WW2. They reformed after the war, in 1946, winding up in June 1964, and

the town council agreed to store the instruments, along with uniforms and money pending a revival. A successor band was formed in 1974.

**Taxal Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1855

**Taxal Youth Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1980s

**Taylor Hill Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1874

**Taymouth Instrumental Band**

Active between 1860 and 1862

**Tayport Brass Band**

See: *Tayport Instrumental Band*

**Tayport Instrumental Band** - Fife

[current band] - Founded in 1970

**Tayport Instrumental Band** - Fife

Formed in the early 1860s, but folded between the two World Wars. Conductor in 1903 was J. Matthew, bandmaster Mr Scott in 1904. A successor band was formed in 1970

**Tayside Silver Band**

See: *Newburgh Brass Band*

**Teams Euphonic Brass Band** - Gateshead, Durham

Active in 1887

**Tea Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Charsley in 1863, A.J. Beard in 1880

**Tebay Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Mr Parkinson in 1890

**Tebay Temperance Band** - Westmorland

Active in the early 1900s

**Tedburn St Mary Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1860

**Tees Ironworks Brass Band**

See: *Teesside Ironworks Brass Band*

**Teesdale Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Barnard Castle, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1860s

**Teesside Brass**

See: *North Skelton and District Band*

**Teesside Bridge and Engineering Works Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1950s and 1960s.

**Teesside Bridge Brass Band**

See: *Teesside Bridge Brass Band*

**Teesside Constabulary Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Cleveland Police Band*

**Teesside Ironworks Brass Band** - Middlesbrough, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Teesside Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[no information]

**Teesside Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
 Formed in the 1890s, later known as North Skelton Brass Band, folded in the 1950s

**Teetotal Crusade Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Liverpool Teetotal Crusade Band*

**Teignbridge Silver Band**  
 See: *Newton Abbot Town Band (1)*

**Teignmouth Amateur Brass Band** - Devon  
 Active in the 1840s to 1860s

**Teignmouth Discharged Soldiers' Brass Band.** - Devon  
 Formed in 1919

**Teignmouth Subscription Brass Band** - Devon  
 Formed in February 1856, conductor Thomas Tucker. Active through to the 1890s

**Teignmouth Temperance Band** - Devon  
 Active in the 1850s

**Telegraph Messengers' Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
 Active in 1894, 1908

**Telford Brass** - Shropshire  
 Active in the late 1990s and early 2000s

**Telford Brass Band**  
 See: *Dawley New Town Band*

**Telford Concert Band**  
 See: *Dawley New Town Band*

**Telford Jubilee Band** - Shropshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 2012

**Temperance Band of St Lawrence's Longridge** - Lancashire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Longridge Band*

**Temperance Crusade Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
 See: *Liverpool Teetotal Crusade Band*

**Temple Sowerby Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 See: *Temple Sowerby Library Brass Band*

**Temple Sowerby Library Brass Band** - Cumberland  
 Active in 1861, 1863

**Tenbury Brass Band** - Tenbury Wells, Worcestershire  
 Active in 1858. Conductor Mr Langdon in 1858, Mr Berrey in 1859. Still active in 1863

**Tenby and District Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 Active in the 1970s to 1990s

**Tenby Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 Active in the 1890s. In 1894 it accompanied the Tenby Fire Brigade on a trip to visit the Ilfracombe Fire Brigade in Devon, travelling on the S.S. Alexandria.

**Tenby District Brass Band** - Pembrokeshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1973

**Tennal Approved School Brass Band** - Harborne, Warwickshire  
 Active in 1948

**Tenterden Brass Band** - Kent  
 Active in 1864

**Terrett Memorial Band** - Hotwells, Gloucestershire

Formed in the late 1890s, linked to the Terrett Memorial Hall in Bristol. A gospel temperance mission established in 1894. It disbanded in 1902.

**Terrington Archangel Band of the Oddfellows** - Norfolk

See: *Archangel Band of the Oddfellows*

**Terrington Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1840, also 1887 and the early 1900s, and survived until the 1960s

**Test Valley Brass** - Andover, Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1970

**Test Valley Brass Youth Band** - Andover, Hampshire

[current band] - Founded in 1990

**Tetbury Institute Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1910

**Tetford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s to the 1930s

**Tetsworth Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1853

**Teversal Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Blidworth Welfare Band*

**Teversall Colliery Band (1)**

Formed in 1901 but fell upon hard times and folded before 1914

**Teversall Colliery Band (2)**

Formed in 1916 by the manager of Stanton Ironworks Co., C.W. Tagg, the conductor being J.T. Parkes. Still active in 1936, by which time it had won prizes to the value of £1,000

**Tewit Youth Band** - Harrogate, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1978

**Tewkesbury Borough Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Tewkesbury Town Band (1)*

**Tewkesbury Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Tewkesbury Town Band (1)*

**Tewkesbury British Legion Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1930s

**Tewkesbury Brotherhood Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1918

**Tewkesbury Corporation Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Tewkesbury Town Band (1)*

**Tewkesbury Town Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1974 - Former names: Tewkesbury Town Brass Band (to 1976)

**Tewkesbury Town Band (1)** - Gloucestershire

In 1838 the Town Band led a procession through the town to celebrate the coronation of Queen Victoria. Conductor W. Peacey in 1861. In 1860 there was a Tewkesbury Rifle Corps Band, with a uniform of salmon-coloured trousers, scarlet-faced tunics and plumes. 1874 saw the appearance of the Tewkesbury Philharmonic Band. In 1887 the town band appeared again in the records, giving a concert at the Philharmonic Hall (now the Watson Hall). In May 1900 the Tewkesbury Bugle Band headed a parade to celebrate



the relief of Mafeking Queen's birthday. 1900-1941 saw the town band at it's peak, proving to be very popular in and around Tewkesbury, averaging eight public appearances a year. In 1904 the band gave a concert to raise funds for a new bandstand to be erected in Victoria Gardens. In order to ensure a quality bandstand their target was to raise £50! In November 1918 there was an amalgamation of the Town Band and the Territorial Band under the baton of Mr A C Collins. Practises took place at the "White Bear" public house in Tewkesbury. The Band played at the unveiling of the abbey war memorial in 1920, and in 1922 at the Tewkesbury war memorial at the Cross. There were some 55 public appearances between 1922 and 1934. May 5th 1937 saw the Town Band heading a parade to celebrate the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth and playing for public dancing in the streets. This was the last public appearance of the band however as by September 1937 the band had ceased to be. The lack of funds and an increasing popularity of the radio were given as the prime reasons. The band was also known as Tewkesbury Corporation Band and Tewkesbury Borough Brass Band at various times in the early part of the 20th century. Successor bands were formed in 1947 and 1974

**Tewkesbury Town Band (2) - Gloucestershire**

Formed in 1947, but only lasted a few years. A successor band was formed in 1974

**Thackley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Idle and Thackley Brass Band*

**Thame Brass Band (1) - Oxfordshire**

Active from 1840 to the 1880s. Bandmaster J. Fowler in 1850-1877. Also known as Royal Thame Brass Band in the 1850s. Folded some time in the mid-1880s

**Thame Brass Band (2) - Oxfordshire**

Founded in December 1902, conductor H. Sutton. Active through to WW1

**Thame Royal Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

See: *Thame Brass Band (1)*

**Thame Teetotal Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Thame Temperance Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

See: *Thame Teetotal Brass Band*

**Thame Town Silver Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in the 1940s to 1950s

**Thames Brass - Surrey**

Formed in 1999 from the ashes of Runnymede Brass, but only lasted a year or two.

**Thames Iron Works Brass Band - Blackwall, Middlesex**

Active in the 1860s through to the early 1900s. Conductor John H. Williams in 1895. The company was a shipyard and ironworks

**Thames Region Brass Band - Berkshire**

Formed in 1980, only lasted a few years.

**Thames Shipbuilding Company Brass Band - Blackwall, Middlesex**

See: *Thames Iron Works Brass Band*

**Thames Valley Police Brass Band - Berkshire**

Active from the early 1980s. Folded in 1994.

**Thatcham and District Brass Band - Berkshire**

Probably formed shortly after WW1, and active through to the late 1960s. Also known as Thatcham Silver Band after WW2.

**Thatcham Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active from the 1840s to the late 1890s. Conductor Mr Pinnock in 1858

**Thatcham Silver Band**

See: *Thatcham and District Brass Band*

**Thatcham Temperance Band** - Berkshire

Founded in 1906, conductor Mr Davis. Active to WW1.

**Thatto Heath Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s

**Thatto Heath Independent Methodists Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s

**Thaxted Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1865 to 1908. Conductor in 1895 was Mr Barker

**Thaxted Foresters' Brass Band** - Essex

**Thaxted Juvenile Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in January 1869 with 9 players, conductor H. Leigh, first public performance on Easter Monday

**Theakston's Wakeman Brass**

See: *Wakeman Brass*

**Thetford Borough Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1950s to 1970s, conductor Mr Sutherland in 1950.

**Thetford Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1860s to 1900s. Conductor A. Osborne in 1900.

**Thetford Saxhorn Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1861

**Thetford Temperance Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1867, 1868

**Thetford Wesleyan Band of Hope Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1888

**Thirsk and Sowerby Silver Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1900s. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. The band was suspended during WW2 and several unsuccessful attempts were made to reform it when the war was over. It was finally disbanded in 1950. In the 1920s its president was Sir Edmund Turton, who home was Upsall Castle.

**Thirsk Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Thirsk Saxhorn Band*

**Thirsk Orpheus Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1900s

**Thirsk Royal British Legion** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1985

**Thirsk Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1830s to the 1890s. Conductor A.G. Clemett in 1879

**Thirsk Silver Band**

See: *Thirsk and Sowerby Silver Band*

**Thirsk Volunteer Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Thistle Brass Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

See: *Glasgow Thistle Brass Band*

**Thistle Brass Band** - Greenock, Renfrewshire

See: *Greenock Thistle Brass Band*

**Thistle Instrumental Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire

See: *Glasgow Thistle Brass Band*

**Thixendale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in October 1890, by Thomas Andrew, from an earlier drum and fife band associated with St Mary's church, which had been formed two years earlier. Played at the Bishop Wilton Flower Show in August 1897, when "their efforts were duly appreciated both during the afternoon in the tent and cricket field, and in the evening at the dance".

**Thixendale Church Choir Brass Band**

See: *Thixendale Brass Band*

**Thomas Coaches Mid Rhondda Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1941 - Former names: Tonypandy Silver Band, Mid Rhondda Band (1949-1995) - Note: Formed from members of the Tonypandy Drum and Fife Band

**Thomas Street Silver Band**

Active in 1945

**Thomas Wilson, Sons and Company Prize Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the early 1900s to WW1. Wilson's was a well known shipping line operating out of the city docks. The band won the People's Challenge Shield at the Crystal Palace in 1906. On Thursday July 4th, 1907, the band gave a concert in Pearsons Park, under the baton of Mr A. Dennis, comprising: Senator (G. Allen), Gems of Haydn (arr. W. Rimmer), Ida and Dot (cornet duet), Sappho (Paccini, arr. W. Rimmer), Queen Elizabeth (J. Ord Hume), Carmelite (arr. S. Cope), Blue Danube (J. Strauss), and A Casket of Gems (H. Round).

**Thompson's Brass Band** - Guiseley, Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Mr M.W. Thompson's Brass Band*

**Thoresby Colliery Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1948 - Former names: Thoresby Colliery Welfare Band, Thoresby Colliery Welfare (Dosco) Band, Thoresby RJB Band

**Thoresby Colliery Welfare (Dosco) Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Thoresby Colliery Band*

**Thoresby Colliery Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Thoresby Colliery Band*

**Thoresby Colliery Youth Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sherwood Forest Brass*

**Thoresby RJB Band** - Nottinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Thoresby Colliery Band*

**Thornaby Borough Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1910s to the 1920s

**Thornaby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Thornaby Borough Band*

**Thornaby Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1889

**Thornaby District Soldiers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s

**Thornaby Iron Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from the 1870s to around 1900.

- Thornaby People's Mission Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1900s
- Thornaby Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1890s to WW1.
- Thornbury Baptist Prize Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1890s to WW1.
- Thornbury Brass Band (1)** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1920s
- Thornbury Brass Band (2)** - Gloucestershire  
Formed in 1974, by the remaining members of disbanded Hambrook Silver Band.  
Disbanded in November 2004.
- Thornbury Castle Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thornbury Town Band*
- Thornbury Junior Band** - Gloucestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thornbury Town Band*
- Thornbury Town Band** - Gloucestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Thornbury Junior Band (to 1990),  
Thornbury Castle Band (to 2011)
- Thornbury Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s
- Thorncliffe and Chapeltown Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s to WW1.
- Thorncliffe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Thorncliffe Victoria Band*
- Thorncliffe Victoria Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s. In June 1860 it played at the laying of the foundation stone  
of the chapels of the new Barnsley Cemetery. Conductor in 1859 was Henry Robinson.
- Thorncombe Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1853
- Thorne Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from 1876
- Thorne Christian Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Thorne Temperance Brass Band*
- Thorne Colliery Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1927, the first conductor was Mr. P. Stapleton (formerly conductor of the East  
Yorkshire Band). In 1950 the conductor was T. Richard, secretary T.L. Sellars. Held a  
slow melody contest in 1964. Still active in 1967
- Thorne Colliery Silver Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Thorne Colliery Band*
- Thorne Excelsior Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Thorne Temperance Brass Band*
- Thorne Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1904 to 1910. Conductor Mr Chapman in 1906
- Thorne Town Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1936 and the 1970s/80s
- Thornes Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1862

**Thorney Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire  
Active in 1853

**Thorney Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active in 1865

**Thorneywood Chase Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1862 to 1868

**Thorgumbald Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1857 to 1866

**Thornham Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1869, associated with the Working Men's Club in Thornham Magna

**Thornhill Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire  
See: *Thornhill Instrumental Band*

**Thornhill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1870s. Known as Thornhill Prize Brass Band in 1913. Also known as Home Charm Paints Thornhill Band. Merged with Tingley Band in 1994 to form Tingley Thornhill Band.

**Thornhill Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Thornhill Brass Band*

**Thornhill Instrumental Band** - Dumfriesshire  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Thorniewood Brass Band** - Tannochside, Lanarkshire  
Active from the 1890s to the mid-1920s. Conductor W.H. Cole in 1899, Harry Fortin in 1906

**Thornley Amateur Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1849

**Thornley Colliery Brass Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Trimdon Concert Brass*

**Thornley Ironworks Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s

**Thornliebank Brass Band** - Renfrewshire  
Active in 1861, 1878

**Thornsett Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1876 - Former names: Thornsett Brass Band

**Thornsett Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thornsett Band*

**Thornthwaite Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1857

**Thornton Brass Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1849 to the 1870s

**Thornton Brass Band** - Thornton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1852

**Thornton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1866

**Thornton Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1861, conductor Thomas Farmer

**Thornton Cleveleys Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s to 1950s. A successor band was formed in 1962

**Thornton Cleveleys Public Band**

See: *Thornton Cleveleys Brass Band*

**Thornton Dale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Thornton-le-Dale Brass Band*

**Thornton Excelsior Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1893 and from the 1920s to the late 1940s

**Thornton Hall Methodist Silver Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in the 1930s. Based at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Great Thornton Street.

**Thornton Heath Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to 1930s. Conductor Mr Foster in 1904.

**Thornton Hough Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Bandmaster J. Mathews in 1901

**Thornton Subscription Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1898. Amalgamated with Poulton Band in 1903

**Thornton-Cleveleys Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1962

**Thornton-le-Dale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1861

**Thornton-le-Dale Temperance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Thorntons Brass** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sir Richard Arkwright's Masson Mills Band*

**Thorpe Amateur Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Thorpe-le-Soken Brass Band*

**Thorpe Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Thorpe-le-Soken Brass Band*

**Thorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Thorpe Hesley Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1986 - Former names: Thorpe Hesley Co-operative Band

**Thorpe Hesley Co-operative Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Thorpe Hesley Brass*

**Thorpe-le-Soken Brass Band** - Essex

Active from the 1880s. In 1911 bandmaster was T.W. Henley. Still active in the early 1950s. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**Thorpe-le-Soken Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1888

**Thorp's Brass Band** - Winsford, Cheshire

Active in the 1860s

**Thorverton Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1910, conductor Mr Bending

**Thrapston Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*

**Thrapston Chapel Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1860s - contemporary with the Thrapston Church Band

- Thrapston Church Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1860s - contemporary with the Thrapston Chapel Band
- Thrapston Nene Side Foundry Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*
- Thrapston Nene Side Ironworks Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*
- Thrapston Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*
- Thrapston Town Band** - Northamptonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1858 - Former names: Thrapston Temperance Band (to 1861), Nene Side Brass Band, Thrapston Nene Side Foundry Band (to 1868), Thrapston Nene Side Ironworks Band (to 1900), Thrapston Town Silver Prize Band (to 1970)
- Thrapston Town Silver Prize Band** - Northamptonshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thrapston Town Band*
- Three Mile Cross Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in 1884 and 1936
- Threlkeld Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the early 1900s
- Throckley Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1880s
- Throckley Colliery Band** - Northumberland  
Founded in the 1890s, but folded during/after WW1. Conductor J. Hedley in the late 1890s
- Throckley St Mary's Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1890s
- Throckley Workmen's Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Throckley Colliery Band*
- Thrupp Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1866
- Thrussington Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Founded by William Lee in 1882. Active through the 1880s
- Thundersley Brass Band** - Essex  
[current band] - Founded in 1980
- Thundersley Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1900s, conductor George W. Hand. A successor band was formed in 1980.
- Thurcroft Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Thurcroft Welfare Band*
- Thurcroft Welfare Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1947 - Former names: Thurcroft Main Colliery Band
- Thurgoland and Crane Moor Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the 1890s to the 1930s
- Thurgoland Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Wortley, Forges and Thurgoland Brass Band*
- Thurlby Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire  
Active from the early 1860s, disbanding around 1880. A successor band was formed around 1886.

**Thurlby Brass Band (2) - Lincolnshire**

Founded in 1886 or early 1887. Active to the 1910s. Conductor Mr Jackson in 1888, George Samuel Perkins in 1889, E. Fardell in 1890. R.N. Pattison secretary in 1902

**Thurlstone Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1854

**Thurmaston Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1880s and 1900s

**Thurnscoe Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1900s

**Thurrock District Brass Band - Essex**

Active in the 1930 to 1950s

**Thurrock Silver Band - Essex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Grays Town Band*

**Thurrock Spectrum Brass - Essex**

[current band] - Founded in 1998

**Thurso Brass Band - Caithness**

Active in 1862

**Thurso Music Club Brass Band - Caithness**

Active in 1861

**Thwaites Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1862

**Tibberton Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1900s

**Tibberton Brass Band - Shropshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Tibberton Silver Band - Worcestershire**

Active in the 1920s. Bandsmen at the time included: Alf Maddocks, Richard Maddocks (bandmaster), Sammy Beaston, George Teese, Jack Owen, William Maddocks, Reg Leach, Norma Faulks, William Tease, Sam Ruscoe, Dick Robinson, William Loynton, Bert Faulks, Tim Arkinstall, Jack Ruscoe, Rubin Munford.

**Tibshelf Ambulance Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Tibshelf St John Ambulance Band*

**Tibshelf Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Tibshelf Colliery Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1870s to the 1920s

**Tibshelf St John Ambulance Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Tibshelf United Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1879, when it performed at the Tibshelf Flower Show, in July

**Tibthorpe Brass Band - Yorkshire (East Riding)**

Active in the 1850s

**Tickhill Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Tickhill Victoria Brass Band*

**Tickhill Brass Band (2) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Tickhill Jubilee Brass Band*



- Tickhill Jubilee Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1887, conductor T. Percy, superseding the prior Tickhill Victoria Brass Band, lasted until 1939. See: "Tickhill Jubilee Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk) for further details
- Tickhill United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Existed in the 1890s
- Tickhill Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Gave its first concert in February 1866 and lasted for about 20 years
- Tidenham Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor E. Williams in 1886
- Tideswell Band** - Derbyshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1876 - Former names: Tideswell Old Band, Tideswell Public Band, Tideswell Silver Prize Band (1928),
- Tideswell Old Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tideswell Band*
- Tideswell Public Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tideswell Band*
- Tideswell Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tideswell Band*
- Tidmarsh Brass Band** - Berkshire  
Active in 1886
- Tidswell's Railway Foundry Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s to 1858
- Tidswell's Royal Railway Foundry Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Tidswell's Railway Foundry Band*
- Tilbury Band** - Essex  
[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Tilbury Railwaymen's Band, Tilbury Town Silver Prize Band, Tilbury Town Band, (1921-1960s)
- Tilbury Railwaymen's Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tilbury Band*
- Tilbury Town Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tilbury Band*
- Tillery Collieries Band** - Abertillery, Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. It came third in a brass band contest at Porth, conducted by Mr. John Griffiths, in 1894.
- Tillicoultry Brass Band** - Clackmannanshire  
Active from the early 1850s through to the 1880s
- Tillings Brass Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
Active in the 1920s. Sponsored by the Tilling Group, which operated various bus companies.
- Tilshead Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1886x
- Timberscombe Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1864
- Time Will Tell Factory Band** - Colchester, Essex  
Active in 1900. Based at the "Time Will Tell" boot and shoe factory which had been started by S.G. Knopp in Portland Road in 1870. The factory closed soon after Knopp's death in 1907.

## **Timperley and District Band**

See: *Timperley Brass Band (1)*

## **Timperley Brass Band - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1999 - Former names: Timperley Silver Band - Note: Disbanded in February 2005 then reformed later in the summer of that year

## **Timperley Brass Band (1) - Cheshire**

Active in the 1860s, and also from the 1920s until it folded in the 1950s. Also known as Timperley and District Band. A first successor band was formed around 1999.

## **Timperley Brass Band (2) - Cheshire**

Formed in 1999, but folded in 2004. A successor band was formed in 2005. During that time, awards achieved included: North West Area Champions (Fourth Section) 2002; Tameside Open Champions (Fourth Section) 2001; 3rd prize Brass at the Guild (Fourth Section) 2001; Wilkinson Northern Open Champions (Fourth Section) 2000; Widnes Open Champions (Fourth Section) 2000; Buxton Entertainment Contest Champions (Fourth Section) 2000

## **Timperley Brass Band (3) - Cheshire**

Formed in 2005, folded in April 2010. Between 2006 and 2008 were one of the top bands in the North West winning many honours. North West Counties Brass Band Association Championship Section Champions 2007/08; 3rd prize Fleetwood Contest October 2008; Tameside Open Champions 2008; 2nd prize Brass at the Guild 2008; Wilkinson Northern Open Champions 2007; Tameside Open Champions 2007; North West Area Champions (First section) 2007; 2nd prize Tameside Open Championships 2006.

## **Timperley Silver Band - Cheshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Timperley Brass Band*

## **Tingewick Brass Band (1) - Buckinghamshire**

Active from the early 1870s, folded in the early 1900s. Conductor E. Judd in 1879-1889. A successor band was formed in 1908

## **Tingewick Brass Band (2) - Buckinghamshire**

Founded in April 1908, conductor George Neal, originally known as the White Hart Brass Band. Active in 1923 when it played at the celebrations for the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Moss (with their surviving four sons and two daughters, 43 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren!)

## **Tingewick Excelsior Band - Buckinghamshire**

Folded before 1908, when the successor White Hart Band (Tingewick Brass Band) was formed, including some of the old Excelsior band members.

## **Tingley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 2002 - Note: Merger of Tingley Youth Band and the Tingley Thornhill 10-piece ensemble.

## **Tingley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1979. Merged with Thornhill Band in 1994 to form Tingley Thornhill Band

## **Tingley Companions Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

A youth band active in the 1980s.

## **Tingley Thornhill Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1994 by the merger of Tingley Band and Thornhill Band. In 1999 it collapsed after successful charity concert at Morley Town Hall, reducing to a ten piece ensemble. The ensemble merged with the still successful youth band in 2002, renaming as the current Tingley Band in 2006.

- Tinsley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Tinsley Park Brass Band*
- Tinsley Park Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active from the mid-1860s to the 1900s. Conductors, John Brooke in 1883, F. Burgin in 1890
- Tinsley Park Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Tinsley Park Brass Band*
- Tintern Abbey Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in 1860
- Tintinhull Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in 1867
- Tintwistle Band** - Cheshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1888 - Former names: Tintwistle Public Band
- Tintwistle Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active from 1862 as Tintwistle Temperance Band. A successor band was formed in 1888.
- Tintwistle Public Band** - Cheshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tintwistle Band*
- Tintwistle Temperance Brass Band** - Cheshire  
See: *Tintwistle Brass Band*
- Tipton and Princes End Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s . Bandmaster Mr Barnsby in 1908
- Tipton Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1853 to 1865
- Tipton St John Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Heywood in 1903, H. Baker in 1905
- Tipton St Martins Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Revo Works Brass Band*
- Tipton Temperance Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Tipton Volunteer Rifles Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Tiptree Band of Hope Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1888
- Tiptree Brass Band (1)** - Essex  
Active from the 1870s. Conductor C. Soder in 1887. Folded in the mid/late 1890s
- Tiptree Brass Band (2)** - Essex  
Founded in 1901, blue and gold-braided uniforms, conductor S. Arnold. Also known as Tiptree Silver Band, Tiptree Excelsior Band and the East Essex Brass Band (around 1905). The president at one time was CJ Wilkin of the Tiptree jam factory. The band folded just prior to WW2. Once competed in the Crystal Palace contest. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.
- Tiptree Excelsior Band** - Essex  
See: *Tiptree Brass Band (2)*
- Tiptree Heath Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1886, conductor C.Soder

**Tiptree Jam Factory Band** - Essex

See: *Tiptree Brass Band (2)*

**Tiptree P.S.A. Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1910s

**Tiptree Silver Band** - Essex

See: *Tiptree Brass Band (2)*

**Tirphil Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s

**Tisbury Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Tisbury Brass Band*

**Tisbury Brass Band (1)** - Wiltshire

Formed in the mid-1850s, conductor and founder G.F. Osmond. Conductor James Rixon in 1888. Folded in the mid/late 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1902

**Tisbury Brass Band (2)** - Wiltshire

Formed in 1902. Active through to the 1920s

**Tisbury Town Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Tisbury Brass Band (2)*

**Tissington and Bentley Brass Band** - Fenny Bentley, Derbyshire

See: *Bentley and Tissington Brass Band*

**Tissington Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1840, 1865

**Titan Iron Works Brass Band** - Stourbridge, Worcestershire

The foundation stone of Stourbridge Public Baths was laid on 2nd August 1900 by Isaac Nash, Chairman of the Council. The building was designed by Frederick Woodward, the Council's Surveyor and cost about £4,500. Thomas Vale was the builder. On 23rd May 1901 local dignitaries met in the Town Hall and then went in procession, headed by the Titan Works Band, conductor F. Morris, to the Baths which were opened by Joseph Wooldridge, Chairman of the Baths Committee. The water for the baths came from a well sunk in the sandstone. The band promoted a contest at Stourbridge in April 1903

**Tiverton Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Formed in 1838, active through to the late 1860s.

**Tiverton Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1864, conductor William Metcalf

**Tiverton Town Band** - Devon

[current band]

**Tobacco Factory Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

See: *Co-operative Wholesale Society's Factory Brass Band*

**Tockington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1856 into the 1870s. Conductor Mark Ann in 1869. In 1872 it played at the opening of the railway line from Bristol to Thornbury on September 2nd. They led a large concourse of people up the High Street from "The Swan" to welcome the first train at 10am. Also active in 1876.

**Toddington Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

The first reference to the band was in an 1856 issue of The Dunstable Chronicle. In 1910 is the first reference to the band under the name of Toddington Town Band, when it was under the baton of Mr James Hyde. Mr Hyde conducted the band for 41 years until his death in 1951. Under his leadership Toddington Town Band achieved competition

success many times including a contest win at Reading in 1937, a second in the Area Contest in 1947 and a 3rd in the Belle Vue Contest, Manchester. When James Hyde died, his son Dennis took up the baton and led the band until his death in 1982, when the band folded. A successor band was formed in 1987.

**Toddington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the 1880s to around 1910.

**Toddington Town Band** - Bedfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1987

**Toddington Town Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Toddington Brass Band*

**Todenham Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1855 and 1859

**Toden's Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1913

**Todmorden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the 1850s, folded in the early 2000s. Was in debt by £50 in 1868. Arthur Hirst bandmaster, R.H. Howarth secretary in 1879.

**Todmorden Community Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 2001

**Todmorden Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Todmorden Brass Band*

**Tolland Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1867

**Tollcross Brass Band (1)** - Midlothian

Active from the late 1870s, folding in 1901

**Tollcross Brass Band (2)** - Midlothian

Founded in 1904.

**Tollesbury Amateur Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1886

**Tolleshunt D'Arcy Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Tolpuddle Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1866 to 1867

**Tom Weymouth's Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Brislington Brass Band*

**Ton Pentre Volunteers Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Tonbridge Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1862 to 1867

**Tondu and Aberkenfig Coronation Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Tondu and Aberkenfig Silver Band*

**Tondu and Aberkenfig Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active in 1940, at which time the principal cornet was Henley H. Jenkins. Henley went on to create the Bridgend and District Brass Band and also a dance band which played in the Bridgend Palais for a number of years. Other players included James Croft who went on to join Bridgend Band, Frank Able (cornet) who played in Ogmore Valley Silver Band

until he died in the 1990s and Frank Merchant (euphonium) who also played in Bridgend Band in the 1950s and Ogmores Band back in the 1960s/70s. Band still active in 1948

**Tondu Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Tong Church Silver Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1926

**Tongham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the late 1850s and the 1900s

**Tongwynlais Temperance Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1888

**Tonic Sol Fa Brass Band** - Cinderford, Gloucestershire

Founded in 1867

**Tonypandy Hibernia Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1902, bandmaster Joseph Sheridan. Active to 1917. Bandmaster in the early 1900s was G. Thomas.

**Tonypandy Hibernian Silver Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Tonypandy Hibernia Band*

**Tonypandy Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Thomas Coaches Mid Rhondda Brass Band*

**Tonypandy Town Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1900s

**Tonypandy United Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Tonyrefail Boys Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1950s. Also known as Tonyrefail Youth Band

**Tonyrefail Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1890s to the 1950s. In 1894 it won a brass band contest at Porth, conducted by Mr. Thomas Lewis. Conductor S. Schofield in 1898, Harry Bentley in 1906

**Tonyrefail Workmen's Silver Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Tonyrefail Silver Band*

**Tooting and Balham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1920s

**Tooting and Mitcham Silver Band** - Surrey

Thomas Draper may have been bandmaster at one time.

**Tooting Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1850s, rehearsing at the King's Head Inn, Merton on Monday evenings

**Tooting Central Silver Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1930s

**Tooting Silver Band** - Surrey

See: *Tooting Central Silver Band*

**Topsham and Lypstone Band** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Comms Band*

**Topsham and Lypstone Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Topsham Silver Band*

**Topsham Local Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Topsham Silver Band*

**Topsham Silver Band** - Devon

Formed in 1888, by E.A. Sandford, W. Bricknell and J. Bricknell. E.A. Sandford was still the conductor in 1928, celebrating 40 years behind the baton. It combined with the Lypstone Band for a period after WW2, then had a further separate existence at least until 1960. It competed in 1964 under the name of Topsham and Lypstone Silver Band under the baton of R. May, and was still active in 1970 under that name.

**Torbay Borough Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1950s

**Torbay Brass** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Note: Formed by some enthusiastic tutors from the South Devon College, Torquay. From that small start the band has grown and now boasts a sister band - Torbay Concert Brass.

**Torbay Concert Brass** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1983

**Torphins and District Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Torphins and Lumphanan District Brass Band*

**Torphins and Lumphanan District Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Founded in 1904, bandmaster William McRobbie. Active through to 1910

**Torpichen Brass Band**

Active in 1884

**Torpoint Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1900s to the mid-1960s. Conductor A. Anderson in 1926. A successor band was formed around 1975.

**Torpoint Congregational Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1927

**Torpoint Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 1975

**Torpoint Town Band**

See: *Torpoint Brass Band*

**Torquay Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1844 into the 1850s

**Torquay Borough Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1950s

**Torquay Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Torquay Amateur Brass Band*

**Torquay Free Mission Silver Band** - Devon

Active in the 1910s and 1920s

**Torquay Subscription Band** - Devon

In 1857 St. John's Masonic Lodge, Torquay built the Temple in Park Hill Road, allowing the Torquay Natural History Society to use the ground floor as Torquay's first Museum. At the laying of the Foundation Stone, special trains were laid on to bring brethren from all over the Province, and preceded by the Torquay Subscription Band, and accompanied by the Band of The Royal Dragoon Guards, in a procession more than a quarter of a mile long, over 300 Freemasons, including Grand Officers and Provincial Grand Officers marched in full Regalia from the Town Hall to Park Hill Road, through streets lined by cheering crowds, a public holiday having been granted for the occasion. The band was

still active in the early 1900s, becoming a brass/reed band in 1908 under the name of Torquay Military Band

**Torquay Town Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1900s to 1920s

**Torquay Volunteer Rifles Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1860s

**Torrington Amateur Brass Band** - Devon

Active from 1860 through to the 1930s when it disbanded. The instruments were put into trust and used by the successor band which was formed in 1952.

**Torrington Brass Band**

See: *Torrington Amateur Brass Band*

**Torrington Original Brass Band**

See: *Torrington Amateur Brass Band*

**Torrington Silver Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Former names: Torrington Voluntary Silver Band

**Torrington Voluntary Silver Band** - Devon

[previous name of current band] See: *Torrington Silver Band*

**Totnes Band** - Devon

[current band] - Founded in 1971

**Totnes Borough Brass Band** - Devon

Founded in 1901, bandmaster H.W. Ferrars. Still active in 1927. A successor band was formed in 1971

**Totnes Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active from the early 1840s. Conductor Mr Bartlett in 1848. It folded in 1849.

**Totnes Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Formed/revived in August 1850 when the performers agreed to reunite and a new ophicleide was purchased to "complete the set". It disbanded some time before 1864

**Totnes Brass Band (3)** - Devon

Formed in 1865.

**Toton Sidings Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

Active in 1878 and 1880

**Tottenham Borough Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s to 1940s. Conductor Fred Dimmock in 1898

**Tottenham Foresters' Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the late 1880s to the 1900s

**Tottenham Gospel Union Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1900

**Tottenham House Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the late 1860s to the mid-1870s, sponsored by James Shoolbred Ltd, a home furnishings textiles and furniture store. At a concert in 1868 at St James's Hall, Tottenham Court Road, conductor Mr Neuzerling, one of the soloists was Henry Distin on cornet-a-piston. Conductor James Sprake in 1870. The band (or a successor) was also active in the early 1900s

**Tottenham Military Band** - Middlesex

This was still operating in the 1970's. The secretary, Fred Hands was a co-worker. They played fetes and hospital garden parties. They weren't a marching band, for parades they used a float."



**Tottenham Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *South Tottenham Primitive Methodist Brass Band*

**Tottenham Town Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Tottenham Borough Brass Band*

**Tottenham Working Men's Mission Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Tottington Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tottington Public Band*

**Tottington Original Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tottington Public Band*

**Tottington Public Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1835 - Former names: Tottington Brass Band, Tottington Original Band, Tottington Prize Band - Note: The first recorded history of Tottington's village band is to be found in the minute book of Tottington Methodist Church. This states the band played for their Whitsuntide Walking Day Procession of Witness in 1835. The band will possibly have been formed some years earlier, and over the many years since, its name has changed several times. Tottington Original Band and Tottington Prize Band to name but two, but in recent years it has been called "Tottington Public Band". But with no other records to verify the exact date the band was formed, 1835 has therefore always been accepted as the year it was formed.

**Tottington Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Totton Temperance Band** - Southampton, Hampshire

Active around 1900

**Tow Law Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Tow Law Colliery Band*

**Tow Law Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in 1860. Still active in 1867, conductor James Mackintosh

**Tow Law Model Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s to 1890s. Conductor Thomas MacDonald in 1894

**Tow Law Silver Band** - Durham

Formed after WW1 and active through to the late 1950s

**Tow Law Wesley Mission Band** - Durham

See: *Tow Law Wesleyan Band*

**Tow Law Wesleyan Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s

**Towcester Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from 1882, folding around 1892. Conductor William Simmonds in 1884, when the band was sued by tailor S. Jacob in a dispute about payment for the band's new uniforms - blue serge suits and gold lace caps with badges. Some of the defunct band's instruments were advertised for sale by W. Simmonds, including 3 cornets, baritone, euphonium, Eb bass, bass drum and sticks, side drum, cymbals and 21 music stands. A successor band was formed in 1910

**Towcester Studio Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1910

**Towcester Town Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Towcester Brass Band*

**Towednack Brass Band (1) - Cornwall**

Active from the 1870s to 1915, folding during WW1. Conductor Robert Osborne in 1889, D. (A.) Berryman in 1899, John Roach in 1902-1907

**Towednack Brass Band (2) - Cornwall**

Formed in 1922, conductor F. Pope in 1925-1935. Still active in 1937

**Tower Hill Temperance Brass Band - Whitechapel, Middlesex**

Active in the 1880s, conductor Charles Folkey in 1882 (who had conducted the Band of the Royal Elthorne Militia in the early 1860s, and the A Division Police Band in the 1870s)

**Towgood and Evans' Brass Band**

See: *Messrs Towgood and Evans' Brass Band*

**Town Green and Aughton Band - Lancashire**

See: *Aughton Brass Band (2)*

**Towneley High School Brass Band - Burnley, Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Towneley Unity Youth Band*

**Towneley High School Youth Band - Burnley, Lancashire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Towneley Unity Youth Band*

**Towneley Unity Youth Band - Burnley, Lancashire**

[current band] - Founded in 1994 - Former names: Towneley High School Brass Band (to 2000), Towneley High School Youth Band (to 2006) - Note: Name changed because Towneley High School closed in August 2006 as part of a re-organisation of schools in Burnley Lancashire. The Towneley name was retained because of our national and international reputation under that name and Unity added to reflect our new host school, Unity College.

**Townfoot Band - Auchinleck, Lanarkshire**

Active around 1880

**Townhead Brass Band - Glasgow, Lanarkshire**

See: *Glasgow Townhead Brass Band*

**Townhill Brass Band - Fife**

Founded in 1877. Active through to the 1950s. James Carmichael was the conductor from 1880 through to WW1.

**Townsend Brass Band - Devon**

Active in the 1860s

**Towyn Brass Band - Denbighshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Towyn Silver Band*

**Towyn Silver Band - Denbighshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1887 - Former names: Towyn Brass Band - Note: Based in Tywyn. Records of the band, from 1906-1930, are held by National Library of Wales

**Towyn-on-Sea Jubilee Band - Tywyn, Merioneth**

Active in the 1900s

**Tradesman's Brass Band - Islington, Middlesex**

Active in 1864

**Tradeston Temperance Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1910s and 1920s

**Trafalgar Brass Band - Lydbrook, Gloucestershire**

See: *Trafalgar Colliery Band*

**Trafalgar Colliery Band** - Lydbrook, Gloucestershire

Active from 1869 (it may have formed before 1866). It merged with Lydbrook Excelsior Band in 1905, retaining the Trafalgar name (sometimes known as Lydbrook Trafalgar Brass Band). Conductor Daniel Pogson in 1874, Mr Williams in 1881, T. Morgan in 1887, E. Wilce in 1896, A. Wilce in 1902. Merged with other bands in 1923 to form Lydbrook Silver Band.

**Trafford Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Urmston and Davyhulme Silver Band*

**Trafford Park Public Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1919, active through to the 1930s

**Training Ship Akbar Band** - Heswall, Cheshire

Opened as a Reformatory School Ship in 1856, accommodating 200 boys, aged 14 to 16, from any locality, who had been committed to detention for a period of at least five years. The band was active by 1859. Still active in 1906. The ship was scrapped in 1907 and replaced by an on-land school. See also: Akbar Nautical School Band

**Training Ship Boscawen Brass Band** - Portland, Dorset

Active in 1863, conductor H. Tiller

**Training Ship Clio Band** - Bangor, Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr McElwee in 1904

**Training Ship Cornwall Brass Band** - Purfleet, Essex

Active in 1905 to 1910

**Training Ship Empress Brass Band** - Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1. Training Ship Empress was operated at Helensburgh, on the Clyde, by the Clyde Industrial Training Ship Association. The Empress replaced an earlier vessel, the Cumberland, destroyed by fire in 1889. The vessel, an Industrial Training establishment, trained boys in all aspects of seamanship and many went on to join one of the naval services. The "Empress" was a wooden battleship originally known as HMS Revenge and served as a training vessel until being sold off in 1923. The 3318-ton Revenge, built in 1859, was 245 feet long and had a complement of 860 men.

**Training Ship Exmouth Brass Band** - Grays, Essex

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. The Training Ship Exmouth was established in 1877, replaced the Goliath, which had been destroyed by fire two years earlier. The Exmouth was moored on the Thames off Grays in Essex and was managed by the Metropolitan Asylums Board. The ship was an old wooden two-decker line-of-battleship, built in 1854.

**Training Ship Goliath Brass Band** - Grays, Essex

Active in 1875. See also: Training Ship Exmouth Brass Band

**Training Ship Implacable Brass Band** - Devonport, Devon

Active in 1868

**Training Ship Indefatigable Brass Band** - New Ferry, Cheshire

Active in the early 1900s. The ship was moored on the River Mersey, off New Ferry, Cheshire, established in 1865 'to receive the sons and orphans of sailors, and other poor and destitute boys, and train them for the sea.'

**Training Ship Mars Band** - Newport-on-Tay, Fife

Founded in 1872, conductor William Douglas Davidson. Still active in the late 1880s

**Training Ship Mercury Brass Band** - Binstead, Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in 1890. The ship was moored off Binstead, housing 150 boys between 12 and 15 years of age. Originally established in 1885 by London philanthropist Charles Hoare, the school moved to the River Hamble near Southampton in 1892, to shore-based accommodation.

**Training Ship Mount Edgumbe Band** - Saltash, Cornwall

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. The ship was established in 1877 as an "Industrial Training Ship for Homeless and Destitute Boys", housing up to 250 boys aged 12 to 16. It continued as such until 1920

**Training Ship Shaftesbury Band** - Grays, Essex

Active in the 1880s/1890s. The former P&O vessel, "Nubia", was renamed Shaftesbury and moored on the River Thames, off Grays, and opened as an Industrial School Ship in 1878, holding some 400 boys. The ship closed in 1905.

**Training Ship Southampton Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1869, with 26 boys, bandmaster Mr Tidswell. Still active in the 1900s, bandmaster Mr Pitts

**Training Ship St Vincent Brass Band** - Gosport, Hampshire

Active in 1869. HMS St Vincent was established as a training ship in 1862

**Training Ship Wellesley Band** - Tynemouth, Northumberland

Reformatory School for boys. They made their first public appearance in April 1872. The band closed with the school in 1914.

**Trallwn Gardens Temperance Band** - Pontypridd, Glamorgan

See: *Trallwn Temperance Band*

**Trallwn Mission Band** - Pontypridd, Glamorgan

See: *Trallwn Temperance Band*

**Trallwn Temperance Band** - Pontypridd, Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Bandmaster D. Williams in 1899

**Tramway Men's Brotherhood Band** - London

See: *London County Council Tramway Brotherhood Band*

**Tranent Brass Band** - East Lothian

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. Also known as Penston and Tranent Brass Band. Conductor George Gray in 1903, John Aithie in 1919. Still active in 1933

**Tranmere Gleam Silver Prize Band** - Cheshire

Active from the 1890s to the 1910s. In 1900 it featured in a contest in Brighton: "The result of the Brighton Contest is particularly gratifying to the temperance bandsmen of England. Besides a big money prize, an immense challenge cup goes to the winning hand. The cup stands 3ft, high, and is of sterling silver. Black Dike (J. Gladney, conductor), Tranmere Gleam (J. Gladney, conductor) and Wyke Temperance (E. Swift, conductor) tied for first place With ninety-four points each. Wylie and Dike are recognised worthy rivals of each other, but the Gleam, a temperance band, furnished a mighty surprise. Sixteen bands competed. The judge was Mr. F. Haines, L.R.A.M. and bandmaster of The King's Own, Aldershot." Also Liverpool and District Champions in 1908.

**Transport and General Workers Union Brass Band**

Active in the late 1940s

**Travelsphere Holidays Band** - Northamptonshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Virtuosi GUS Band*

- Trawden Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active from the early 1860s to the 1930s. The Trawden Brass Band and Gala Company Ltd. was incorporated in 1881 and dissolved before 1916.
- Trealaw Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s
- Trealaw United Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1896
- Trebanos Public Band**  
See: *Trebanos Silver Band*
- Trebanos Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s to 1910s
- Treboeth and District Temperance Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1910s
- Tredegar Town Band** - Monmouthshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1876 - Former names: Tredegar Workmen's Town Band - Note: Tredegar Town Band's history can be traced as far back as 1849 when they are recorded as leading a giant procession to celebrate the opening of a new mill for the Tredegar Iron and Coal Company. In 1876 facing extinction local citizens met in the Town Hall and pledged financial support
- Tredegar Workmen's Town Band** - Monmouthshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Tredegar Town Band*
- Treeton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Treffynnon Brass Band** - Flintshire  
Active in the late 1980s
- Trefonen Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in 1860 to 1869
- Trefor Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active from the 1890s. Folded sometime after 2005. In the University of Wales (Bangor) exist the Minutes Book of the band from 1897-1966,
- Trefor Seindorf Arian (Caernarfon)** - Caernarfonshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1863
- Treforest Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s to the 1920s
- Trefriw Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1858 and 1859, conductor James Hughes
- Tregony Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall  
Active from the mid-1840s to the early 1880s.
- Tregony Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall  
Founded in 1906, bandmaster James Buckingham. Rename Tregony Victory Band in 1919
- Tregony Victory Band** - Cornwall  
See: *Tregony Brass Band (2)*
- Trehafod Rechabites Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1893, conductor Morgan Emmanuel in 1898. Became Lewis Merthyr Colliery Temperance Band a few years later. Also known as Lewis Merthyr Silver Band. Folded briefly in 1904

- Treharris Brass Band (1)** - Glamorgan  
Active from the 1880s, folding around 1904
- Treharris Brass Band (2)** - Glamorgan  
Founded in 1908. Active through to the 1920s. Also known as Treharris Workmen's Band.
- Treharris Workmen's Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Treharris Brass Band (2)*
- Treherbert and District Silver Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Glenrhondda Colliery Band*
- Treherbert Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1867
- Treherbert U.N. Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in 1938
- Trelewis Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s
- Tremadoc Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor E. Evans in 1904
- Trematon Brass Band** - Cornwall  
Active in the 1900s, bandmaster Edward Gregory in 1906 (when the band consisted of 12 members)
- Trent Vale Brass Band** - near Wareham, Dorset  
Active in the early 1870s
- Trentham Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1970s - Former names: North Staffordshire Concert Brass, Royal Doulton Brass Band, City of Stoke on Trent Brass Band (to 2004)
- Treorchy Comprehensive School Band** - Glamorgan  
[previous name of current band] See: *Treorchy Secondary School Youth Band*
- Treorchy Secondary School Youth Band** - Glamorgan  
[current band] - Founded in 1953 - Former names: Treorchy Comprehensive School Band, Treorchy Senior Modern School Band
- Treorchy Senior Modern School Band** - Glamorgan  
[previous name of current band] See: *Treorchy Secondary School Youth Band*
- Treorchy Wesleyan Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1900s and 1910s
- Treuddyn Brass Band** - Flintshire  
See: *Tryddyn Brass Band*
- Treviglas School Brass Band** - Newquay, Cornwall  
Active in the 1980s
- Treviscoe Brass Band (1)** - Cornwall  
Active from the 1890s, disbanding around 1908
- Treviscoe Brass Band (2)** - Cornwall  
Founded in 1912, conductor John Quintrell, secretary W. Bray, treasurer Isaac W. Grigg.  
Active through to the late 1920s
- Trevor Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire  
Active in 1964, conducted by E.P. Hughes
- Trimdon Brass Band** - Durham  
See: *Trimdon Colliery Brass Band*

**Trimdon Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Active from 1861 to the 1930s

**Trimdon Concert Brass** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1870 - Former names: Thornley Colliery Brass Band - Note: Rumoured to have been the first Band to have had Durham Brass Band League Membership. During the early 1990's membership of the band declined to an all time low. In a desperate attempt to survive it was decided to relocate a few miles down the road to Trimdon, where the majority of the remaining players came from. The community of Trimdon welcomed the band with open arms and continue to support them

**Trimdon Grange Brass Band**

See: *Trimdon Grange Temperance Band*

**Trimdon Grange Temperance Band** - Durham

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s. Also known as Trimdon Grange Brass Band

**Trimdon Temperance Brass Band** - Durham

Active from the 1920s to the 1940s

**Trimley St Mary School Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1990s

**Trimsaran Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1890s

**Tring Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active from the late 1840s through to WW2. Conductor Mr Burr in 1874, George Jennings in 1888-1902, William Rance in 1905

**Tring British Legion Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1950s

**Tring Silver Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Disbanded in 2003?

**Trinity Brass** - Maidstone, Kent

Active in the 1970s and 1980s. Amalgamated with Elliot Concert Brass in 1985 to form G.E.C. Maidstone Band (GEC Avionics Brass Band, later BAE Systems Brass Band)

**Trinity Church Brass Band** - Darwen, Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Trinity Church School Brass Band** - Darwen, Lancashire

Active in 1854

**Trinity College Students? Union Brass Band** - Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *Greenwich Brass Band*

**Trinity Excelsior Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire

Active in 1894

**Trinity Girls Brass Band** - Garswood, Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1959 - Former names: Girls Guildry Band, Trinity Girls Silver Band

**Trinity Presbyterian District Mission Brass Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Founded in the mid-1860s. Still active in 1868

**Trinity Reading Society Brass Band** - Gosport, Hampshire

Active in 1862

**Trinity School Brass Band** - Carlisle, Cumberland

Active in 1860

**Troedyrhiw Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active from the 1900s to the 1950s. Also known as Troedyrhiw Silver Band, Troedyrhiw Town Band and, during WW2, Troedyrhiw National Fire Service Band.

**Troon Brass Band** - Cornwall

Founded in 1900, conductor J. Prideaux

**Troon Burgh Band** - Ayrshire

Founded around 1900, bandmaster R. Osborne. Still active in 1914

**Troon Independent Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from 1888, disbanding around 1897. Conductor J. Bennetts in 1895

**Troon Reed and Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1890

**Trowbridge and District Youth Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1983

**Trowbridge Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1840s to the 1860s

**Trowbridge Comrades Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1920s

**Trumpington Amateur Brass Band**

See: *Trumpington Brass Band*

**Trumpington Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1864 and was still active in 1910. Conductor A.A. Horlock in 1890, F. Stearn in 1899-1910

**Truro Amateur Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Truro Brass Band** - Cornwall

See: *City of Truro Brass Band*

**Truro Home Guard Band** - Cornwall

Active during WW2.

**Truro Independent Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the 1870s to 1890s

**Truro Sax Tuba Band** - Cornwall

See: *City of Truro Brass Band*

**Truro Saxhorn Band** - Cornwall

See: *City of Truro Brass Band*

**Truro Town Band** - Cornwall

See: *City of Truro Brass Band*

**Truro Volunteer Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1861

**Tryddn Brass Band** - Flintshire

See: *Tryddyn Brass Band*

**Tryddyn Brass Band (1)** - Flintshire

Active from the mid-1850s, folding some time around 1890. A report in 1873 was somewhat scathing about the quality of its playing. Conductor Thomas Edwards in 1884. A successor band was formed in 1894

**Tryddyn Brass Band (2)** - Flintshire

Founded in 1894 and active through to WW1. It obtained new instruments in 1917



**Tuddenham Brass Band** - Suffolk  
Active in 1856 to 1868

**Tudhoe Colliery Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1870s

**Tudhoe Grange Colliery Band**  
See: *Tudhoe Colliery Brass Band*

**Tudhoe Iron Works Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in 1855

**Tudor Brass** - Sedgley, Staffordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1982

**Tudor Silver Band** - Southport, Lancashire  
Formed in 1937 as Southport Special Constabulary Band. Became Tudor Silver Band in November 1949. Active into the mid-1950s

**Tullis Russell Mills Band** - Glenrothes, Fife  
[current band] - Founded in 1919 - Former names: Tullis Russell Mills Brass Band

**Tunbridge Wells Borough Band**  
See: *Tunbridge Wells Brass Band*

**Tunbridge Wells Brass Band** - Kent  
Active from the 1840s to the 1900s - probably folded during WW1.

**Tunbridge Wells British Legion Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Tunbridge Wells Fire Brigade Band** - Kent  
Active from the early 1900s well into WW1 (1916 at least).

**Tunbridge Wells Home Guard Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1940s and 1950s

**Tunbridge Wells Temperance Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor A.J. Richardson in 1901

**Tunbridge Wells Town Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1920s

**Tunstall Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Tunstall Bridge Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s

**Tunstall Church Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s

**Tunstall Rifle Volunteers Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Tunstall St. Mary's Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s. R. Cross conductor in 1876

**Tupton Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1840s

**Tupton Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor George Elliott in 1902. Still active in 1906

**Turner Village Band** - Essex  
Formed by patients and staff at the Turner Village Hospital in Turner Road, Colchester.

**Turners Hill and Worth Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active from the early 1900s to 1939. Conductor O.H. Taylor in 1905

**Turners Hill Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1850s and 1860s, probably disbanding in the 1870s. George Brackpool was its conductor up to the time it folded.

**Turners Hill Friendly Society Brass Band** - Sussex

See: *Hand-in-Hand Friendly Society Brass Band*

**Turners Hill Silver Band** - Sussex

See: *Turners Hill and Worth Brass Band*

**Turpin's Brass Band** - Nottingham, Nottinghamshire

See: *Messrs E.H. Turpin and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Turriff Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

Active from 1853. Conductor Mr Rankin in 1862-1868, Mr Alexander in the 1880s. Active to the 1920s. A successor band, Turriff British Legion Silver Band, was formed after WW2.

**Turriff Silver Band** - Aberdeenshire

[current band] - Founded in 1911

**Turton Church Brass Band** - Bolton, Lancashire

Active in 1863. Secretary W. Isherwood, conductor Peter Tootill in 1865. In January 1866 they placed a newspaper notice thanking the local gentlemen for their generosity over the Christmas period. Leader A. Tootill in 1869. Still active in the 1870s. Associated with St Anne's Church

**Tutbury Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1851, conductor F. Gill. Also known as Tutbury Sax Tuba Band, with around 21 players. Conductor R. Few in 1905. It was disbanded in 1914, but reformed immediately after the war ended in 1918. It gained at least one prize at the Crystal Palace Championships which led to it being renamed Tutbury Town Silver Prize Band. Wallace Young conducted the band after 1918, when the uniform was mid-blue with a silver stripe down each trouser leg, and a tunic with brass buttons and a blue peaked cap. The people of Tutbury, who had received a leaflet titled "Band or no Band", raised the money for the uniforms. It headed a Coronation Procession in May 1937. It finally disbanded in 1939, and did not reform. Its instruments, uniforms and music were sold to an unknown band in Scotland. For a history of the band, see *Tutbury's Variations - A History of wind and brass bands in a Staffordshire village*, by David Kennedy, published by D. and T.P Kennedy, Burton-on-Trent, 2002. A successor wind band was formed in the town in the 1980s.

**Tutbury Sax Tuba Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Tutbury Brass Band*

**Tutbury Town Silver Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Tutbury Brass Band*

**Tuxford Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Tuxford Temperance Band*

**Tuxford Temperance Band** - Nottinghamshire

Founded around 1899. Active into the 1900s. Bandmaster Mr Fenton in 1903

**Tweedales and Smalley Works Band** - Castleton, Lancashire

Formed in 1943, the instruments being inherited from the Rochdale St John Ambulance Cadets Band. The conductor was J.H. Merrick. The firm bought new instruments in 1945 and Clifton Jones became the musical director, remaining to 1955, when Herbert White

took over. Tweedales manufactured textile machinery and operated out of the Globe Works in Castleton.

**Tweedmouth Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Ramsay

**Tweedmouth Foundry Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Tweedmouth Ironworks Brass Band*

**Tweedmouth Ironworks Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1862, 1865

**Tweedside Oddfellows Brass Band** - Kelso, Roxburghshire

Active in 1857

**Twerton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1861 to 1866

**Twerton Club and Institute Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1877, conductor Mr. Maby

**Twizwell Colliery Band** - Grange Villa, Durham

Formed in the 1890s, disbanded in the 1930s

**Two Bridges Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed 1900. Disbanded 1952

**Two Mile Hill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1870s and 1890s

**Two Mile Hill Evangel Mission Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Twyford Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1880 conducted by Mr Toomer

**Twyford Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor E.J. George in 1913, J. Stevens in 1923. In 1923, secretary Fred Hodges, treasurer Frederick Roberts. On his appointment, Frederick Roberts discovered the previous treasurer, Walter J. Cherry, had embezzled funds to the amount of £13 11s 3d from the band, and the latter was brought to court to answer the charges.

**Twyford Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor Mr Holloway in 1889

**Twynning Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1885 to WW1.

**Tycroes Brass Band** - Carmarthenshire

See: *Tycroes Silver Band*

**Tycroes Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the early 1900s. Tycroes Prize Silver Band played at the Llanwrtyd Wells Cycle and Pony Races held at Abernant Pleasure Grounds in August 1904, conducted by Mr David Williams. (from the Brecon and Radnor Express, Sept 1st 1904). The band was active through to the 1920s. After WW2 it was known as Tycroes and District Band, and was active to the early 1960s.

**Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1877 - Former names: Tyldesley Good Templars Band, Tyldesley Temperance Brass Band (1882), Tyldesley Wesleyan Temperance Prize Band, Tyldesley Temperance Prize Band (1906), Tyldesley Subscription Prize Band (1920),

Tyldesley Prize Band (1940s), Tyldesley Band (1983), Lancastrian Building Society  
Tyldesley Band (1988)

**Tyldesley Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyldesley Good Templars Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyldesley St James' Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to 1890s. Conductor Robert Welch in 1883

**Tyldesley Subscription Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyldesley Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyldesley Temperance Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyldesley Wesleyan Temperance Prize Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Tyldesley Band (Maxilead Metals)*

**Tyler Family Brass Band**

Active in 1869. A professional family group of juvenile instrumentalists that styled itself "the Smallest Brass Band in the World". In the 1870s the family toured Ireland with a "silver band" and hand-bell act

**Tylorstown (Valley Lines) Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tylorstown Band*

**Tylorstown and District Silver Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tylorstown Band*

**Tylorstown and Mardy Colliery Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tylorstown Band*

**Tylorstown Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1920 - Former names: Tylorstown & District Silver Band, Tylorstown & Mardy Colliery Band (1978-1995), Tylorstown (Valley Lines) Brass Band, Tylorstown Band Arriva Trains Wales (to 2008)

**Tylorstown Band Arriva Trains Wales** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Tylorstown Band*

**Tylorstown Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s, folding around 1906. Conductor Mr Locksley in 1904. A successor band was formed in 1921.

**Tyne Dock and Jarrow Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed by the merger of Tyne Dock Temperance Band and Jarrow Temperance Band around 1885. Active through to the 1910s. Also known simply as Tyne Dock Temperance Band during this time. In 1887 it led a procession for Queen Victoria's Jubilee celebrations in Jarrow - "June 21st this being Jubilee Day the town of Jarrow and surrounding district celebrated the day in right loyal style. Upwards of 7,000 children gathered at the educational centres to be regaled with buns, spice loaf, milk and tea. The masters attended the little folks and mistresses of the schools assisted by a number of ladies and gentlemen volunteers as waiters. After the tea the children prepared to start for the Recreation Ground where sports and entertainment were to be provided for them. Before the start was made each child received a present of a Jubilee Mug. On each of them were portraits of the Queen representing her in 1837 and the present year.. Each

mug bore the words "Jubilee 1887 Jarrow on Tyne". The tea finished the young folk set off in two processions one headed by Hendersons Brass Band and the other by the Tyne Dock and Jarrow Temperance Band." Still active in 1913.

**Tyne Dock Temperance Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Westoe Brass Band*

**Tyne Dock Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1880s. Merged with the Jarrow Temperance Band around 1886.

**Tynedale Brass Band** - Northumberland

Founded in the 1860s. Merged with Ovington Band in 1980 to form Ovington Tynedale Band

**Tynemouth and Ellington Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Tynemouth Borough Band** - Northumberland

Active from the 1870s to the 1900s

**Tynemouth Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Tynemouth Borough Band*

**Tynemouth Royal and Union Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s and still active in 1948

**Tynemouth Union Boys' Band** - Northumberland

See: *Tynemouth Workhouse Brass Band*

**Tynemouth Workhouse Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from the early 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor J. Mosel(e)y in 1884, W. Sharp in 1902. Still active in 1909

**Typographical Society Brass Band** - Norwich, Norfolk

Active in 1869

**Tyseley Institute Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Tyseley Working Men's Club and Institute Band** - Worcestershire

See: *Tyseley Institute Brass Band*

**Tysoe Temperance Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1893 and 1897 when performing at a Baptist Sunday School Treat. Conductor J. Price in 1898. Still active in 1925

**Tytherington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s to the late 1940s. There was also a junior band in and around WW1.

**Tytherington Church Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Tytherington Brass Band*

**Tyzack's Iron Works Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham

Active in the 1870s

**U.C.B.S. Brass Band** - Clydebank,

See: *U.C.B.S. Prize Silver Band*

**U.C.B.S. Prize Silver Band** - Clydebank,

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. The United Co-operative Baking Society Ltd. Band. Won the Iles Cup 1st Class in 1908, the 2nd Class Championship in 1908, and the Iles Cup 2nd Class in 1906, 1907 and 1908. Famous biscuits were advertised as "The men of Clydebank have been responsible for world famous feats in shipbuilding and engineering, but what is to be said of those who are responsible for the care of the "inner man"? To the housewives of Clydebank equal praise is due, for good work cannot be

accomplished without good food. The choice of Clydebank housewives has always been unanimously U.C.B.S. - Baking of Quality". Also known as United Bakery Band, Glasgow Co-operative Bakery Band

**U.M.F.C. Temperance (Old Radford) Band**

See: *Radford United Methodist Brass Band*

**Uckfield Brass Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Uckfield Concert Brass*

**Uckfield British Legion Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1930s

**Uckfield Concert Brass** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1957 - Former names: The Uckfield Band, Uckfield Industries Band, Friday-Ad Brass - Note: Uckfield Youth Brass (currently dormant)

**Uckfield Industries Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Uckfield Concert Brass*

**Uckfield Original Town Band** - Sussex

Active in 1888, bandmaster James Haestier.

**Uckfield Town Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1888 - contemporary with the "Original" band noted above.

**UDI Aberdeen City Band** - Aberdeenshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Granite City Brass*

**UDI Brass**

See: *Stoneywood and Auchmull Union Band*

**UES Stocksbridge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Unite the Union Brass Band*

**Uffculme Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active in 1845 and 1855

**Uffculme Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Active from the early 1890s. Conductor S.W. Vickery in 1894-1905, T. Gath in 1906, A. Chick in 1907. Still active in 1910

**Ugborough Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1860

**Ugthorpe Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1864 to 1866

**Ugthorpe College Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1867, conductor Rev. N. Rigby

**UK Paper Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[current band] - Founded in 1883 - Former names: Daily Chronicle Paper Mills Brass Band, Daily Chronicle Band, Edward Lloyd Band, Edward Lloyd (Paper Mill) Silver Band, Lloyds Silver Band, Bowater Lloyd Band (to 1936), Bowater Band (to 1988), UK Paper Concert Band - Note: Based in Sittingbourne

**UK Paper Concert Band** - Sittingbourne, Kent

[previous name of current band] See: *UK Paper Band*

**Ulceby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active from 1860 to 1888

**Ulceby Temperance Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s

**Uley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s to 1920s and amalgamated with Uley Silver Band in the 1930s. Conductor W. Webb in 1903, Cyril Webb in 1907. The combined band folded in the Second World War. The instruments were subsequently stored in the village until the fifties when they were donated to Dursley Modern school where the music master was forming a brass band. When the school closed and was integrated with Dursley Grammar School to create Rednock Comprehensive School Dursley the band was transferred and it is believed to still be in existence to the present day.

**Uley P.S.A. Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s to WW1.

**Uley Silver Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1920s and amalgamated with Uley Brass Band in the 1930s.

**Uley Town Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Uley Brass Band*

**Ulverston Amateur Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1875

**Ulverston Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1840s to 1867

**Ulverston Town Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1850

**Ulverston Volunteers Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Kit Garnett in 1904

**Underwood Institute Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in 1900

**Union Castle Steam Ship Company Band** - London

Active in the early 1900s

**Union Foundry Brass Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1854. The foundry was that of Messrs Howden.

**Union Place Military Band**

See: *Longford Union Place Military Band*

**Union Street Brass Band** - Leicester, Leicestershire

Active in the 1870s

**Unionist Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band** - Barry, Glamorgan

Active in 1899

**Unison Kinneil Band** - West Lothian

[current band] - Founded in 1858 - Former names: Kinneil Brass Band, Kinneil Instrumental Band - Note: Formed by a group of miners in Bo'ness

**Unite the Union Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Sheffield Recreation Brass Band, City of Sheffield Band (1970s), Quaker Sutherland Band, Andrews Heat for Hire Band (1980-4), City of Sheffield Band, Stocksbridge Engineering Steels Band (1988), UES Stocksbridge Band (1990s), ASDA Stocksbridge Band (2000), Stocksbridge Band (2002), City of Sheffield Band (to 2012) - Note: Absorbed remains of Sheffield Transport Band in the 1950s

**United Ancient Order of Druids Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Druids' Brass Band*

**United Asbestos Company Band**

See: *Harefield Asbestos Works Band*

**United Bakery Band**

See: *U.C.B.S. Prize Silver Band*

**United Christian Army Band** - Malton, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1883 and disbanded in 1888 when their premises were sold to become the Liberal Institute.

**United Co-op 2000 Brass** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewe Brass*

**United Co-op 2000 Community Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewe Brass*

**United Co-op Band (Crewe)** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Co-operative Funeralcare Band North West*

**United Co-op New Mills Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *New Mills Band*

**United Co-op Yorkshire Brass Band**

See: *Yorkshire Co-operatives Band*

**United Co-operative Baking Society Ltd. Brass Band**

See: *U.C.B.S. Prize Silver Band*

**United Harmonic Brass Band** - Boston, Lincolnshire

See: *Boston Harmonic Brass Band*

**United Independent Harmonic Brass Band** - Preston, Lancashire

Active in 1840

**United Norwest 2000 Brass** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Crewe Brass*

**United Norwest Co-op Milnrow Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Milnrow Band*

**United Services Band** - Hampshire

Active shortly after WW2 - did not survive long.

**United Sherwood Brass Band** - Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire

Leader C. Scott in 1860.

**United Tetford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Universal Colliery Band**

See: *Senghenydd Brass Band*

**Universe Works Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active from 1869 to 1889. This was Messrs Wright's Company, one of the largest rope makers in the country - hemp, manila and wire ropes. In 1870 the band consisted of 32 performers, conducted by Mr Metcalfe

**University Volunteer Band**

See: *Cambridge University Volunteer Band*

**Unsectarian Mission Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

Active in 1888

**Unstone Brass Band** - near Dronfield, Derbyshire

Active in 1892

**Unsworth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1855 and the 1880s



**Unsworth Public Band** - Lancashire

See: *Unsworth Brass Band*

**Up Holland Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1880s

**Up Holland Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1870s

**Udale Mission Band** - Seacombe,

Active in the early 1900s

**Uphall Brass Band** - West Lothian

Founded in 1869. Formed by young men in the village employed in "oil work". Some instruments were supplied by the local MP.

**Uplands Boys School Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s. The band was formed with the help of funds provided by Smethwick Council, which enabled them to purchase their first eight instruments. The main inspiration for the band came from Mr Ken Watkins (headmaster), Mr Lionel Burling (music teacher), band leader Mr Arthur Matthews and pupil Maurice Porter who played in a Salvation Army band. Amongst the band's highlights was entering competitions at Worcester and Cirencester in the late 1950s, and playing in a combined school brass band concert at Birmingham Town Hall, conducted by Mr Harold Gray (CBSO). On that occasion Sheila Attwood from Uplands Band played the solo trumpet. The band was also involved in radio broadcast from the Carpenter Road Studios, Edgbaston, and made three records - Four Little Maids (1963), Hiawatha (1965) and Little Suite for Brass (1966).

**Uplands Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

Active in the 1960s - probably connected to the Uplands School Band.

**Uplands Warley Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1970, conductor A. Matthews. Possibly connected to the Uplands School Band or the Smethwick Uplands Band.

**Upleatham Miners' Saxhorn Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1875. Active in 1877, when it took 4th prize at a contest at South Bank, Middlesbrough. Folded before the successor band formed in the 1890s

**Upleatham Mines Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Marske Brass Band*

**Upleatham Mines Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1890s, folded with the colliery around 1924

**Upper Arley Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1885

**Upper Edge Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1871

**Upper Hulme Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1850

**Upper Norwood Excelsior Band** - Surrey

Active in the early 1900s through to WW1

**Upper Norwood Temperance Band** - Surrey

[previous name of current band] See: *Crystal Palace Band*

**Upper Rhondda Brass Band** - Treherbert, Glamorgan

See: *Glenrhondda Colliery Band*

- Upper Rhondda Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
[current band] - Founded in 2003 - Note: Formed from a local junior band
- Upper Rhondda Comprehensive School Brass Band** - Treorchy, Glamorgan  
Active in the 1960s to 1980s
- Upper Slaithwaite Brass and Reed Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Slaithwaite Band*
- Upper Slaithwaite Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1892. Active into the 1900s
- Upper Slaithwaite Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Slaithwaite Band*
- Upper Stoke Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1890s, conductor E. Gregory.
- Upper Wanborough Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
See: *Wanborough Brass Band*
- Upper Weardale Brass Band** - Durham  
Active from the 1830s to the late 1930s.
- Upper Winchendon Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Upper Ynysybwll Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1890s, conductor Mr Beachy in 1899
- Upperclough Brass Band** - Clough, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1858
- Uppermill Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1979
- Upperthong Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1851, 1858
- Upperthorpe Brass Band** - Derbyshire  
Active in 1894, conductor W.A. Guest
- Uppingham Brass Band** - Rutland  
Active from 1864. Conductor T. Perriss in 1884, W. Angrave in 1888, R.B. Watts in 1894.  
Still active in 1909
- Uppingham Coronation Band** - Rutland  
Active in 1909
- Uppingham Mutual Improvement Society Band** - Rutland  
Active in 1904
- Uppingham Public Brass Band** - Rutland  
Active in the 1950's and 1960's.
- Upton Branch Y.M.C.A. Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s
- Upton Brass Band** - Upton upon Severn, Worcestershire  
See: *Upton upon Severn Brass Band*
- Upton Colliery Workpeoples Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed around 1937/38 and wound up in 1976. Qualified for the National Finals on four out of five years in the late 60's, and early 70's and rose from the 4th to 2nd section during this time. Just being pipped to promotion to the then 1st section by Brodsworth Colliery Band. Competed in the Senior Cup in 1962.

**Upton Grey Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1859 to 1869

**Upton Park Poor Law School Band** - Essex

Active in 1860 as St George's Industrial School Brass Band, conductor Mr Wilkinson (of the Naval School, Greenwich). The school was established as St George in the East Union School, Gipsy Lane (now Green Street). Active in the 1890s and 1900s as Upton Park Poor Law School Band. Conductor J. Murphy in 1900. Also known as Plashet Industrial School, it housed 150 boys and 120 girls

**Upton St Leonards Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from the early 1900s to the late 1920s. Secretary E.J. Mills in 1906. Conductor in 1921 was M.G. Jordan.

**Upton upon Severn Brass Band** - Worcestershire

Active in 1865, conductor F. Langdon. In 1894 they earned £51 in engagements and the bandmaster was C. Pomfrey.

**Upton W.M.C. Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Upton Colliery Workpeoples Band*

**Upton's Baskerville Works Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Baskerville Prize Band*

**Upwell and Outwell Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1870s to the 1920s. Conductor Albert Ryder in 1925

**Upwell Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Upwell and Outwell Brass Band*

**Urchfont Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from 1864 to the 1910s

**Urmston and Davyhulme Silver Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1969 by Joe Woodward. Later called the Trafford Band, folded in the late 1990s? The A band was in either second or first section. The 'B' band (essentially a youth band) was 4th section.

**Urmston St Clement's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Urpeth Colliery Band** - Beamish, Durham

Formed in the 1890s and still active in 1933

**Ushaw Moor Colliery Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s

**Usk and District Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Formed in the 1970s when a group of players got together under the guidance of Jack Stradling. In addition to entertaining the community in and around Usk, it began competing and in 1982 won the Welsh Regional Championships (fourth section) under the musical directorship of Michael Pegram, which qualified the Band to play in the National Championships at the Royal Albert Hall in London. Also, in 1982 the Band made a highly popular visit to Usk's twin town Graben-Neudorf in Germany with Nigel Weeks as conductor, who conducted the Band at various times in the late 1970's and through the 1980's. Other conductors in this period included Aubrey Brice and home-grown Mark Stones. Unfortunately, due to a lack of players, the Usk and District Silver Band folded in the late 1980's. A successor youth band was formed sometime in the 1990s, later to become the current Usk Brass Band.

**Usk Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1990s - Former names: Usk Youth Brass Band

**Usk Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

Active in the early 1900s. A successor band was formed in the 1970s

**Usk Town Band** - Monmouthshire

See: *Usk and District Silver Band*

**Usk Youth Brass Band** - Monmouthshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Usk Brass Band*

**Usworth and District Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1900

**Usworth Brass Band** - Durham

Active from 1863 through the 1860s

**Usworth Colliery Band (1)** - Durham

Active in 1869, folded some time in the 1880s.

**Usworth Colliery Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s and still active after WW2. The conductor from 1913 to 1932 was Henry Creswell, who had started his banding career at the age of 7, playing in Pontefract Borough Band, in 1879. The band was "broken up" in August 1932, and the instruments, 28 in number, cost about £600, were collected pending a decision to sell. However it must have had a stay of execution, because it was clearly active and playing again by August 1933.

**Uttoxeter Brass Band (1)** - Staffordshire

Active from the early 1830s to the 1870s. Mr Onion was the conductor in 1842. During the 1860s it was for a time associated with the 2nd Derbyshire Rifle Volunteers. Disbanded some time in the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1884

**Uttoxeter Brass Band (2)** - Staffordshire

Founded in 1884. Still active in 1886

**Uttoxeter Town Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in the 1930s and folded a few years after the end of the Second World War. A successor band was formed in 1996.

**Uttoxeter Town Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1996 - Note: A previous Uttoxeter Town Band folded in the late 1940's or early 1950s

**Uxbridge and Hillingdon Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1882 by Mr W.J.D. Sheriff. He inserted an advertisement in the local paper calling a meeting at his house in Alexandra Road and there the band was started. The band's first £5 was donated by Lord Hillingdon. The first practices were held in Mr Sheriff's kitchen, later moving to the band room in the Old Chapel in Chiltern View Road. Prior to starting the Uxbridge Band, Mr Sheriff was bandmaster of the Hillingdon Drum and Fife Band, and later, in addition to the Uxbridge Band and the Middlesex Regiment, he was bandmaster of the City of London Imperial Yeomanry and of the Herts Yeomanry Bands. He was the composer of the military fantasia "A Soldier's Life". Ten of the Uxbridge Band's members were engaged in 1885 by Dr Drury Lavin, of Heatherden Hall, to form a ship's band on a cruise to the West Indies. The Band fulfilled several seasons of engagements on the Island of Jersey. The amount of traffic in the early years was so small, that the band gave summer concerts seated in the High Street. The band continued to flourish between the wars, and was renamed the Uxbridge and Hillingdon

Prize Band. About 1930 their conductor was Wing Commander A.E.Sims, director of music for the R.A.F. [The Central Band of the R.A.F. was based at Uxbridge camp]. In 1926 a bandstand was erected in a local recreation ground, and this became the venue for a series of summer concerts each year. During World War 2 the band gave concerts there as part of the local "Holidays At Home" programme. Numbers fell after the war, and the band closed down in 1952.

**Uxbridge Artisans Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Providence Congregational Church Brass Band*

**Uxbridge Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Uxbridge and Hillingdon Band*

**Uxbridge Providence Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *Providence Congregational Church Brass Band*

**V.R.C. Brass Band** - London

Active in 1863

**Vale of Blackmoor Brass Band**

See: *Blackmoor Vale Brass Band*

**Vale of Glamorgan Brass Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1976

**Vale of Leven Brass Band**

See: *Jamestown and Vale of Leven Silver Band*

**Vale of Lyvennet Silver Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. It seems to have been based at Crosby Ravensworth, but included members from Maulds Meaburn, also in the Lyvennet valley. John [Jack] Relph (born in 1871) was a member.

**Vale of Pewsey Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the early 1960s

**Valley Brass (Haydock)** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1992 - Former names: Haydock Youth Brass Band

**Valley Road Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Vane Tempest Band** - Seaham, Durham

Active in the 1950s - attached to the Vane Tempest Colliery.

**Varteg District Memorial Hall Band**

See: *Varteg Silver Band*

**Varteg Silver Band** - Monmouthshire

Formed July 1914. Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s. Still active in the early 1960s. A memory from Grayham Jones - "My father Haydn Jones was born in 1911 at Varteg. Growing up in a family with mining associated jobs, it was assumed that my dad would automatically follow in the family's footsteps. Eventually, it was time for my dad to look for a job, but unfortunately in the 20s jobs were few and far between. Luckily something unexpected happened. Dad was walking around the village with some of his friends when who should walk by but Mr Tipton. Mr Tipton was an official at Lower Varteg Colliery, and also a committee member of Varteg Silver Band. He asked the lads if they were working, only to be told that they had tried for a job in the colliery but nothing was available. Mr Tipton assured them if any of them wanted a job in the pit, they just had to turn up at the Band Hall on band night, join the band and a job in the pit would be theirs. My dad took Mr Tipton at his word. He joined the band and

he, in return, got a job. The job lasted up until his death in 1956 and he was a proud member of Varteg Silver Band for many years." Another memory from Roffey Edwards, who played second cornet in the late 1950s, his father C. Edwards, played bass drum in the band, and his step brother Brian Williams played first cornet. The band was conducted by Mr Ron Molsom who he remembers being very strict at band practice.

**Vaux Samson Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *RMT Silksworth Band*

**Vaux Samson Band**

See: *Lord Londonderry's Volunteer Temperance Band*

**Vauxhall Motors Recreation Club Band** - Luton, Bedfordshire

Active post-WW2 in the 1940s and 1950s.

**Vaynol Royal Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

See: *Llanrug Royal Brass Band*

**Vaynol Royal Silver Band** - Caernarfonshire

Formed in 1888, and active to the late 1890s. Conductor Mr Alrey in 1891. Its predecessor was Llanrug Royal Brass Band (Royal Vaynol Brass Band). A report in 1888 records the formation of the band: "The Llanrug Royal Brass Band has been well known in North Wales for many years, and during that time they were successful gladiators on the field of contest, and won for themselves a far-famed name and many a worthy victory at band contests held in different parts of England and Wales. But, to our sorrow, this band was disbanded about two years ago, and since then the melodious strains of the old and highly respected company who gladdened many a heart in this romantic neighbourhood have disappeared. But the quarrymen of this musical locality could not rest on their oars; and, to remedy the loss, a meeting was convened, and a committee formed as follows: Rev. T. Jones, rector (chairman); Mr J. Williams, Buarth (treasurer); Rev. D. Collwyn Morgan, curate (secretary); and Mr R. J. Pritchard (bandmaster). Negotiations were entered into with the noted firm of Messrs Besson, London, for the purchase of an entirely new set of instruments. A number of musical enthusiasts offered themselves, and were formed into a band, under the old name, and under the conductorship of a member of the old band and a noted cornet player. The efforts of the bandmaster have given perfect satisfaction to the members of the band and committee, and are highly appreciated in the parish. He has won already a victory, and deserves the praise of all for the very high state of efficiency of his band, The old band was one of the finest in North Wales, and we entertain such hopes of the new company and able conductor that we expect to record more victories and better laurels for them than the old band ever won. A grand concert was given lately in aid of the band fund, the Rev. T. Johns, rector, took the chair. There was a crowded audience, and a handsome surplus was left, At Llangefni on Easter Monday the band carried away the prize and the silver medal with great credit to themselves. They were highly complimented by the adjudicator on their almost perfect rendering of the "Hallelujah Chorus" the test piece. Last. Thursday the band was invited to play at Portdinorwic on the occasion of Mr Assheton Smith's wedding. The pieces played were rendered in good style and taste, and were highly appreciated and loudly applauded by the hundreds of people present".

**VBS Poynton Brass Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1830s - Former names: Poynton Brass Band (to 1990)

**Vectis Brass** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
 [current band] - Founded in 1947 - Former names: Band of the 1024 Squadron, Ryde Borough Band, Ryde Concert Band (1970s - 1995)

**Velindre Brass Band** - Glamorgan  
 [previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Ventnor Artillery Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
 Active in the 1900s.

**Ventnor Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
 Active in the early 1870s

**Ventnor Rifles Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)  
 Active in the 1900s.

**Verdin Adelaide Band** - Northwich, Cheshire  
 Active from the mid-1880s to the 1910s

**Verdin Moulton Institute Band** - Moulton, Cheshire  
 Active in 1889

**Verdin Winsford Works Band** - Cheshire  
 Active in 1889

**Vernon Building Society Poynton Band** - Cheshire  
 [previous name of current band] See: *VBS Poynton Brass Band*

**Vernon's Motors Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire  
 Active in the 1950s

**Verwood Brass Band** - Dorset  
 Active in 1863

**Verwood Concert Brass** - Dorset  
 [current band] - Founded in 1864 - Former names: Verwood Temperance Band, Verwood Prize Band (1930s to 1976)

**Verwood Concert Brass 'B'** - Dorset  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Verwood Town Band*

**Verwood Prize Band** - Dorset  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Verwood Concert Brass*

**Verwood Temperance Band** - Dorset  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Verwood Concert Brass*

**Verwood Town Band** - Dorset  
 [current band] - Former names: Verwood Concert Brass 'B'

**Veryan and Portloe Band** - Cornwall  
 Active in 1900

**Vickers Armstrong (Barrow Shipyard) Band**  
 [no information]

**Vickers Crayford Brass Band** - Kent  
 Active in the 1920s

**Vickers' Works Brass Band** - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in 1919

**Victoria Baptist Brass Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan  
 Active in the 1910s

**Victoria Bar Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire  
 Active in 1887

**Victoria Batley Band**

Active in 1854

**Victoria Battery Brass Band - Thurso, Caithness**

Active in 1867

**Victoria Brass Band - Bury, Lancashire**

Active in 1855. Possibly associated with the Victoria Zoological Gardens

**Victoria Brass Band - Great Yarmouth, Norfolk**

See: *Yarmouth Victoria Brass Band*

**Victoria Brass Band - Kirkburton, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Kirkburton Victoria Band*

**Victoria Brass Band - Petersfield, Hampshire**

Formed in 1904. Five or six instruments were purchased by Mr Kimber and Mr Gale and a band was formed under the tuition of Mr Stacey. The first practice was held in a wash-house in Swan Street. With further members joining, more adequate room was required and the band moved to Borough Hill for practices, being for a long time known as the "Borough Band". Their first appearance in public was on Easter Monday in 1906 under the lead of Mr Stacey. On this occasion the band paraded the town, playing what music they could manage. On Whit Monday 1906 a fete was held on the Heath by the Working Men's Association, this proving to be their first official engagement. With the outbreak of war in 1914, nearly all the members, who were Territorials, went into camp, afterwards being drafted to India and not returning until 1920. From the year 1908 to 1914 the band was under the baton of Mr. E. Lee, who held the office of deputy bandmaster. In 1921 a reconstruction of the band took place and Mr Walter Bone was appointed bandmaster, an office he still held in 1932. The band had the honour of performing before the Duke of York and also Princess Beatrice. It appeared with distinction at many places, including Guildford, Winchester and Gosport. It relies entirely on voluntary contributions for its upkeep of the instruments and provision of music, and is entirely self-supporting. The band disbanded after WW2, in the early 1950s.

**Victoria Brass Band - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1868

**Victoria Brass Band - Walsall, Staffordshire**

[no information]

**Victoria Bridge Steelworks Band - Kirkstall, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[no information]

**Victoria Foundry Brass Band - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1855

**Victoria Foundry Brass Band - Litchurch, Derbyshire**

See: *Cotton Lane Brass Band*

**Victoria Hall Brass Band - Bolton, Lancashire**

See: *Bolton Victoria Hall Band*

**Victoria Hall Brass Band - Manchester, Lancashire**

See: *Manchester Victoria Hall Band*

**Victoria Hall Mission Brass Band - Kettering, Northamptonshire**

Active from the 1890s to the 1920s. Conductor Warren East in 1900. George Bailey secretary in 1894

**Victoria Independent (St Luke's) Temperance Band - Cheltenham, Gloucestershire**

Active in 1883



### **Victoria Institute (Hartshead Moor) Brass Band**

The Victoria Institute, at Hartshead Moor near Scholes, was established in 1868. This was largely on the initiative of Robert Firth Crosland (of the long-established local Quaker family). One of the Institute's first activities was to form a brass band. The institute folded around 1922.

### **Victoria Lochhead Band - Fife**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Based at the Lochhead Colliery near Wemyss, Fife.

### **Victoria Mills Brass Band - Elland, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1871

### **Victoria Mills Brass Band - Hopwood, Lancashire**

See: *Hopwood Victoria Mills Brass Band*

### **Victoria Park Brass Band - Birmingham, Warwickshire**

Active in 1891

### **Victoria Park Brass Band - Handsworth, Staffordshire**

Active in the 1900s. Conductor H. Fisher in 1905

### **Victoria Rifle Volunteers Band - Middlesex**

Active in the 1860s. Also known as London Victoria Amateurs Brass Band

### **Victoria Road Mission Brass Band - Southsea, Hampshire**

Active in 1893

### **Victoria Road Wesleyan School Band**

See: *Victoria Road Mission Brass Band*

### **Victoria Station Brass Band - Sheffield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Mexborough Plant Band*

### **Victoria Street Congregational Brass Band - Derby, Derbyshire**

Active in 1889 and into the 1890s

### **Victoria Street Mission Band - Hemsworth, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Hemsworth United Brass Band*

### **Victoria Works Brass Band - Darlaston,**

Band of the Rubery and Owen Ironworks. Active in the early 1900s

### **Victoria, Earlseat and Lochhead Band**

See: *Victoria Lochhead Band*

### **Victoria, Lochhead and Earlseat Band**

See: *Victoria Lochhead Band*

### **Victory Pit Crookhall Colliery Band**

See: *Crookhall Colliery Band*

### **Vines Cross Modern Brass - Sussex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wealden Brass*

### **Viney Hill Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1930s

### **Viney Hill Excelsior Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1890s

### **Vintage Brass Band - Golcar, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[current band] - Founded in 1980

### **Virtuosi GUS Band - Northamptonshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1933 - Former names: Munn And Felton Works Band, G.U.S. (Footwear) Band, Rigid Containers Group Band (1988), GUS Band, Travelsphere Holidays Band (to 2005), GUS Band (to 2006)

**Vobster Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1870s

**Vodaphone Band** - Marchwood, Hampshire

[previous name of current band] See: *New Forest Brass Band*

**Voel Gaer Brass Band** - Flintshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor L.P. Jones in 1893. Also known as Voel Gaer Halkyn Band and Rhosesmor Voel Gaer Band

**Voelas Brass Band** - Denbighshire

See: *Pentrefoelas Brass Band*

**Volunteer Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers Band, 1st**

See: *Bury Public Silver Band*

**Vrynwy Vale Brass Band** - Llanwddyn, Montgomeryshire

Active in the early 1880s

**Vulcan Iron Works Band** - Langley Mill, Derbyshire

See: *G.R. Turner Langley Mill Brass Band*

**Vulcan Iron Works Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire

Active in the 1880s. Conductor J.W. Somerton in 1882. The McKenzie, Clunes and Holland works were founded in 1857 at Cromwell Street, and by the late 1870s were specialising in railway signalling equipment

**Vulcan Motor Works Brass Band** - Crossens, Lancashire

Active in the late 1910s and 1920s

**W. Harrison Transport (Rockingham) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Rockingham Band*

**Waddesdon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1835 or earlier (records only went back to 1835). Celebrated its centenary in 1935.

**Waddesdon Old Band**

See: *Waddesdon Brass Band*

**Waddesdon Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1.

**Waddesdon Village Band**

See: *Waddesdon Old Brass Band*

**Waddesdon Wesleyand Brass Band**

See: *Waddesdon Temperance Band*

**Waddington Brass Band** - Clitheroe, Lancashire

Founded in 1909. Wound up in the courts as of 5th February 1923

**Waddington Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1913 to the 1920s. Conductor Mr Lewis in 1923

**Wadebridge Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1870s until the mid-1960s. . Although the ranks of bandsmen would have been thinned by the call to arms of 1914-18, enough were left to take part in the Bugle Band Contest in 1919 and 1923 under the direction of Mr W.T. Lobb. In 1915 the band presented their bandmaster, W.T. Lobb, with a rosewood sideboard as a wedding present. In January 1923 the band purchased a new set of silver instruments, costing £400. Harry Roberts, an outstanding cornet player, took over the band in the early 1930s. The band made excellent progress under his leadership and by 1940 players from Wadebridge Town Band were also able to give support to Bodmin and St Minver bands.

Harry Roberts was succeeded by Mr W.A. Mills and many contest trophies were won by the band before the baton was handed on to Mr R. Dawes who was previously band sergeant with the Devon and Cornwall Light Infantry. A.H. Dawes was the conductor when the band entertained the crowds for the Royal Visit to Wadebridge in July 1950. Further success followed for the band at local contests in the 1950s when representatives of the band were also to be found in the National Youth Band. David Blake then became band leader and his son Philip formed the Wadebridge Youth Band around 1962. Sadly the band disbanded in the middle of that decade and most of the instruments were disposed of in 1968. A successor band was formed in the 1970s.

**Wadebridge Mission Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in the 1890s

**Wadebridge Town Band - Cornwall**

[current band] - Founded in 2002

**Wadebridge Town Band - Cornwall**

Active in the early 1900s and in 1938. A successor band was also active for a few years in the 1970s.

**Wadebridge Town Band (1)**

See: *Wadebridge Brass Band*

**Wadebridge Town Band (2)**

Formed in the 1970s by Philip Harris and the band actually appeared on the children's TV show "Multi-Coloured Swap Shop" in 1978. It was held at the Egloshayle playing fields and still remembered by some current players. The band conductor was apparently shared around that time between Phil, Jack Wills, Lionel Boundy, and Keith Babbs. Sadly the band dissolved once more in 1985. The instruments were passed on the St John's Ambulance band for their community use. A successor band was formed in 2002.

**Wadhurst Brass Band - Sussex**

[current band] - Founded in 1957 - Former names: Wadhurst School Band, Wadhurst Youth Band (to 1974)

**Wadhurst Brass Band - Sussex**

Formed around 1870, disbanding during WW2. Conductor in 1876 was Mr Pomfret, in 1893, Mr C. Piper, in 1925 G. Till, in 1934, William Skinner. In 1898 it nearly folded until it managed to raise £62 to buy some new instruments and uniforms. A successor band was formed in 1957 as a youth band, becoming a full adult band in 1974.

**Wadhurst School Band - Sussex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wadhurst Brass Band*

**Wadhurst Youth Band - Sussex**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wadhurst Brass Band*

**Wadshelf Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1859, 1860

**Wadsley Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1868

**Wadsley Bridge Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from the mid-1870s to the 1900s. Bandmaster "for many years" was Michael Wilkinson (d. 1901). Conductor in 1887 and 1892 was Mr S. Marsh. Harry Crofts played trombone in the band.

**Waenfawr Brass Band**

See: *Waunfawr Brass Band*

**Wagon Works Band** - Radstock,

See: *Radstock Coal and Wagon Works Brass Band*

**Wainfleet Amateur Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1863

**Wainfleet Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1890s

**Wakefield Belle Vue Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Belle Vue Brass Band (Wakefield)*

**Wakefield City Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the 1900s to the 1980s

**Wakefield Foresters Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s. Conductor J. Holmes, leader William Clegg in 1860.

**Wakefield L.M.S. Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1930s

**Wakefield Metropolitan Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Wakefield Old Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1920s to the late 1940s

**Wakefield Rifle Corps Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1860s

**Wakefield Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Carlton Temperance Band*

**Wakefield Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Courier in 1902

**Wakeman Brass** - Ripon, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in the late 1980s as a breakaway group from Ripon City Band, it lasted until the mid-1990s.

**Wakering Brass Band** - Essex

Active from the mid-1870s to the early 1880s

**Walbottle Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Walbottle Colliery Brass Band*

**Walbottle Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1858 to 1869. Conductor C.A. Halpin in 1867.

**Walbottle Temperance Band** - Northumberland

Active throughout the 1890s, conductor Richard Binnie

**Walcot Industrial School Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1888

**Walden Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Saffron Walden Brass Band*

**Waldridge Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1861. Conductor Thomas Parker in 1864. Also known as Waldridge Royal Brass Band. Still active in 1866

**Waldridge Royal Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Waldridge Brass Band*

**Walgrave Amateur Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active from the early 1870s to 1916 at least. Conductor in 1871 was G. Jones, 1889 - E. Dickens, 1893 - Alfred Dickens.

**Walgrave Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Walgrave Amateur Brass Band*

**Walkden Brass Band (1)** - Lancashire

Active in 1865

**Walkden Brass Band (2)** - Lancashire

Formed in 1874 when the band had connections with the Duke of Bridgewater's Yeomanry Band in Worsley. Records of the band from 1937 to 1974 exist in the Salford City Archive Service. Sponsored by Alvin Steel Works, they were known as Alvin Walkden Brass Band in 1989 when they were 3rd Section National Champions. A good example of the many dedicated and tireless people who support bands around the country is given in this obituary notice which appeared on 15 November 1995: "Tributes for bandsman Cyril - One of the vanguards of Walkden Brass Band has died at the age of 63. For more than 25 years, Cyril Wright, of Grosvenor Drive, Walkden, was a tireless worker behind the scenes. Band members said his musical contribution as third assistant percussion when he was needed in contests was always of the highest quality, which was his trademark on everything he was involved in. He will be most remembered for his administration role within the band. His infectious energy and dedication as treasurer, concert secretary and committee member meant the band was self-funding and able to weather the tough financial conditions of the brass band world. Since early retirement from Mellings Bakery at Farnworth, he became involved in transferring the band's music library system onto a computer data base. He leaves his son Alan - the band's assistant principal cornet player - and his wife Joan. She is a tireless member of the ladies' section who serves the band members with refreshments during rehearsals. Colleagues say Cyril was well known throughout the brass band scene and was one of the great characters in the musical world." Merged with Eaton Farnworth Brass Band in 2004 to form Eaton Farnworth and Walkden Band.

**Walkden Moor Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1864, leader M. Blower

**Walkden Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Walkden United Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Walker and District Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1900s

**Walker Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active from the early 1850s to the late 1860s. Conductor Mr Chapman in 1855

**Walker Neptune Band** - Northumberland

Active between 1900 and 1914. Based at the Walker site of the Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson works.

**Walkergate Brass Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire

Active in 1856

**Walkern Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the early 1900s. Formed mainly from workers at Wright's Brewery in Walkern, who were one of the village's main employers.

**Walkers and Hardmans Works Band** - York, Yorkshire

Founded in 1833

**Walker's Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

Active between 1834 and 1855. Their uniform in 1837 included "drab hats with black crape hatbands"

**Walkers' Brewery Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire

Active in the 1900s

**Walkley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Walkley St. Mary's Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s

**Wallace Arnold Rothwell Band**

See: *Rothwell Temperance Band*

**Wallasey Brass Band** - Cheshire

See: *Wallasey Village Silver Band*

**Wallasey Victoria Band** - Cheshire

See: *Wallasey Village Silver Band*

**Wallasey Village Silver Band** - Cheshire

Active from the early 1900s to the late 1920s. Prior to 1939 the Wallasey Village Carnival was a spectacle of horse drawn floats covered with flowers and people. The floats being interspersed with bands and dancers of varying standards, Decorated bicycles, handcars and even dressed up dogs had their part to play. The major float carried the Carnival Princess and her court, whilst the whole event was led with great aplomb by the Wallasey Village Silver Band (which used the Lighthouse Pub in Wallasey Village as its unofficial headquarters).

**Wallingford Brass Band (1)** - Berkshire

Active in 1843, disbanding in the mid-1850s

**Wallingford Brass Band (2)** - Berkshire

Formed in 1860, bandmaster James Ayres. Active through to the early 1900s

**Wallingford Brass Band (3)** - Berkshire

Active in 1990.

**Wallingford Foresters' Brass Band** - Berkshire

Formed in early 1867, conductor Mr Greenwood. Still active in 1871

**Wallington Amateur Band** - Surrey

Founded around 1905, conductor Mr Peasgood

**Wallington Silver Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1919

**Wallsend Boiler Makers' Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1880s. Conductor James Wilson in 1883

**Wallsend Borough Band** - Northumberland

See: *Wallsend Colliery Band*

**Wallsend Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s, still active in the mid-1970s, also known as the Rising Sun Colliery Band (Rising Sun pit at Wallsend). Later known as Wallsend Borough Band

**Wallsend Miners' Band** - Northumberland

See: *Wallsend Colliery Band*

**Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band** - Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s, later known as Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson Band. Active in 1935, conductor Joseph C. Welsh, 1937 conductor Jack Boddice, and 1947. Folded in the 1950s

**Wallsend Slipway Band** - Northumberland

See: *Wallsend Shipyard Brass Band*

**Wallsend Town Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in the late 1970s

**Wallsend United Collieries Band** - Northumberland

See: *Wallsend Colliery Band*

**Walmer Bridge Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s, conductor Adam Warburton.

**Walsall and West Bromwich District School Band** - Staffordshire

Pennyhill Lane, Wigmore - active in 1904. The school opened in 1870 to house workhouse children from the two unions.

**Walsall Borough Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Originally formed as Walsall Provident Brass Band, it was renamed Walsall Borough Brass Band in 1898. The conductor at that time was James Grundy, the secretary, A. Moore.

**Walsall Brass Band (1)** - Staffordshire

Active in 1869

**Walsall Brass Band (2)** - Staffordshire

[current band] - Founded in 2015

**Walsall Highgate Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Walsall Home Guard Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Walsall L.M.S. Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1930s. Formed by John Henry Cowley, who played Solo Trombone for them. The band were conducted at various times at contest by Harry Mortimer, Issac Perrin, Harry Hayes, and William Halliwell.

**Walsall Metropolitan Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Walsall Police Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s to WW1.

**Walsall Provident Brass Band**

See: *Walsall Borough Brass Band*

**Walsall Railway Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Bescot Silver Prize Band*

**Walsall Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**Walsall Servis Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Walsall Star Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s

**Walsall Temperance Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Cooper, when they played at the Cottage Hospital Gala in August. Still active in the late 1890s.

**Walsall Town Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1900s to WW1. Conductor G. Carrington in 1901

**Walsall Town Mission Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in 1911, active to the mid-1920s. Conductor H.C. Orchard in 1914. The band was struggling with a "scrap set of brass instruments" when it was formed, but Joseph A. Leckie generously advanced the money for new silver instruments. All the members had to belong to the Mission Brotherhood and be Total Abstainers. Ten bandsmen were lost to the fighting in the Great War, and the band, lacking a BBb bass, Eb Bass, two Bb trombones, a G trombone, two tenor horns, two Bb cornets and a soprano, sought these from other players from the area (as long as they maintained abstinence with the band!)

**Walsall Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s.

**Walsall Volunteer Rifles Band**

See: *Walsall Rifle Corps Brass Band*

**Walsall Wood Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the mid-1870s to WW1. Conductor George Farley in 1884, Levi Hood in 1908-1917

**Walsall Wood Institute Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Staffordshire Band*

**Walsden Brass Band**

See: *Walsden Temperance Brass Band*

**Walsden Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1890s to the 1930s. Joseph Crossley secretary in 1902. The band's president was Thomson Halliwell until 1913. Harold Hargreaves (Welsh Regiment), cornet player with the band, was killed aged 23 in 1917 in France - he was by trade a tackler in a cotton mill.

**Walsgrave Band of Hope Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1910

**Walsham Brass Band** - Walsham-le-Willows, Suffolk

Active in 1859

**Walsham-le-Willows Temperance Band** - Suffolk

Active in the early 1900s. An undated notice reads: "We beg to draw your attention to the above Band, and to say that we shall be pleased to serve your interests during the coming season in attendance at GARDEN PARTIES, SPORTS, FLOWER SHOWS, GALAS, FETES etc. We have a good variety of Music, including Selections, Marches, Dances etc. We should at all times do our best to meet your requirements in every particular. The Band provides its own Gas Light, to facilitate playing on grounds after dark, when required. For particulars as to terms, apply to either of the following: Wilfrid Y Nunn, Band Master - Harry W Hubbard, Hon. Secretary."

**Walshaw Lane Brass Band** - Bury, Lancashire

Active from the early 1880s. Conductor E. Holding in 1883, John Rooney in 1900

**Walshaw Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s



**Walsingham Amateur Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1887

**Walsingham Brotherhood Band** - Norfolk

Probably formed in 1909 and disbanded during WW1.

**Walter and Brison's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire

See: *Messrs Walter and Brison's Brass Band*

**Waltham Abbey Brass Band** - Essex

Founded in 1877. Active to the 1900s. Conductor C. Oram in 1877, W.C. Dymock in 1889

**Waltham and Cheshunt Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1900s

**Waltham Brass Band (1)** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s. In 1866 the band had 12 members, conducted by Mr Acey.

**Waltham Brass Band (2)** - Lincolnshire

Active from the 1930s to the early 1960s.

**Waltham British Legion Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1930s and 1940s

**Waltham Cross Temperance Band**

See: *Waltham Gospel Temperance Brass Band*

**Waltham Forest Brass** - Essex

[current band] - Founded in 1993

**Waltham Forest Co-op Band** - Essex

[previous name of current band] See: *East London Brass*

**Waltham Gospel Temperance Brass Band** - Waltham Cross, Hertfordshire

Active in the 1900s and in 1949. Conductor Mr Luck in 1901, Steve Burch in 1905

**Waltham St Lawrence Silver Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1886

**Waltham St. Lawrence Brass Band**

See: *Waltham St. Lawrence Silver Band*

**Waltham St. Lawrence Silver Band** - Berkshire

Founded in 1886 as Waltham St Lawrence Brass Band. The founder players were mainly village tradesmen backed by two wealthy benefactors, William Landsdowne Beale and the Revd. Grey Neville. It was a well established part of the local scene by 1910. The band was revived after the disruptions of World War 1 in 1922, and made great progress under the direction of Twyford publican Ernest Pearce. Activities included regular appearances at hospital parades to raise funds for Royal Berks Hospital, and there were significant contest successes in the inter-war years, including a first prize at Fairford Contest in 1938. After World War 2, the band was re-established in 1946 as the Waltham St. Lawrence Silver Prize Band, again under the direction of Mr Pearce. He continued as conductor until his death in 1953. It was a struggle to get the band going again, and it is thanks to the efforts and determination of Sydney Boyd that the band continued. In 1950 the name changed again to East Berks Silver Band, reflecting the wider area from which members were being drawn. Jack Clark, who formerly played cornet for Morris Motors band among others, became bandmaster in 1954. There were a number of contest successes both locally and at national level through the 1950's. In 1957 the East Berks Silver Band decided to base itself in Reading, a move that was unacceptable to many members. A new Waltham St. Lawrence Band was formed, based in the village

- Walthamstow and Leyton Temperance Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor T. Odgen in 1897. Disbanding prior to 1909, when the Walthamstow Temperance Band was formed (forerunner of current East London Brass)
- Walthamstow Borough Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *East London Brass*
- Walthamstow Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1864
- Walthamstow British Legion Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1930s
- Walthamstow C.E.T.S. Brass Band** - Essex  
See: *Walthamstow and Leyton Temperance Band*
- Walthamstow Lighthouse Band** - Essex  
See: *Lighthouse Silver Band*
- Walthamstow Methodist Free Church Band** - Essex  
Active in the early 1890s, disbanding in 1905
- Walthamstow Northern Ward Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1912
- Walthamstow Oddfellows Band** - Essex  
Active in 1896
- Walthamstow Silver Band** - Essex  
Active in 1895 to the early 1900s
- Walthamstow Silver Prize Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *East London Brass*
- Walthamstow St James Street Navvies Mission Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s. Conductor C.H. Anderson in 1899
- Walthamstow Temperance Band** - Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *East London Brass*
- Walthamstow Temperance Brass Band** - Essex  
See: *Walthamstow and Leyton Temperance Band*
- Walthamstow Town Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s through to WW2.
- Walthamstow Town Silver Prize Band** - Essex  
See: *Walthamstow Town Brass Band*
- Walton and District Brass Band** - West Walton, Norfolk  
Active in the 1950s
- Walton Brass Band** - Walton, Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Walton Brass Band** - Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire  
Active in the 1850s
- Walton Brass Band** - Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex  
Formed in 1875, active through to around 1910.
- Walton Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire  
Active in 1887
- Walton Foresters' Brass Band** - Felixstowe, Suffolk  
Active in the 1890s

**Walton North Zion Band** - Walton, Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1903, conductor J. Leyland

**Walton Wesleyan Band** - Walton, Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1906

**Walton Works Brass Band** - Frinton, Essex

Active in 1886

**Wanborough Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1863 to 1867

**Wandsworth Borough Brass Band** - Surrey

Founded in 1902. Active into the 1910s. Conductor P.H. Childs in 1902

**Wandsworth Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1885 when it took part in the United Phoenix and Temperance Societies' first annual Temperance Friendly Societies' demonstration in Lambeth on 31st May, together with Putney Brass Band.

**Wanlockhead Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Active from the 1870s. The Band would always appear on New Years Day and march around the Village 'weather and the roads permitting' to an enthusiastic local support. It also performed local concerts and parades and was in great demand. The coming of the railway and the 'new machines' enabled the band to travel further afield to play at engagements and enter National Contest where they frequently proved to be successful. Linked to the local lead mine. Still active in 1928, conducted by John Faulds

**Wansbeck's Ashington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1906 - Former names: Ashington Public Band, North Seaton Colliery Band (1930), Ashington Colliery Band (1961), - Note: Formed in October 1906

**Wantage Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active from the late 1840s to the 1900s. A successor band was formed in 1972.

**Wantage Silver Band** - Berkshire

[current band] - Founded in 1972

**Warbleton and Buxted Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Former names: Buxted and Warbleton Band - Note: Amalgamation of Warbleton Brass and Reed Band, and Buxted Brass Band

**Warbleton Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from the 1890s. Merged with Buxted Silver Prize Band in 1952 to form Warbleton & Buxted Band.

**Warburtons Bakery Band**

See: *Hoggarths Works Band*

**Ward Jackson Brass Band** - Greatham, Durham

Active from the 1880s to the 1920s

**Wardle and District Anderson Brass** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1990 - Former names: Wardle Section Band, Anderson Brass

**Wardle Section Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wardle and District Anderson Brass*

**Wardley Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Wardley Colliery Brass Band*

**Wardley Colliery Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1890s, active through to the late 1950s. Conductor George Perry in 1899, Mr Ritchie in 1906. Also known as Pelaw Colliery Band. In September 1937 the band was

on its way to the Alexandra Palace to compete in the National Finals contest, when its coach was in collision with a lorry on the Barnet by-pass at South Mimms. Six bandsmen were injured.

**Wardley Grammar School Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1960s

**Wardour Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1890s. Conductor B. Foyle in 1891

**Wards Brewery (Hoyland) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Strata Brass*

**Ware Brass** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: Ware Band, Ware Town Band (to 1978)

**Ware Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ware Brass*

**Ware Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. A successor band was formed in 1895

**Ware Town Band** - Hertfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Ware Brass*

**Wareham Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1865, 1866

**Wareham Corporation Band** - Dorset

See: *Wareham Town Band*

**Wareham Town Band** - Dorset

A community wind band formed in 1855. It competed as a brass band (without its wind players) briefly in 1937 and 1938 in the National Championships. The band is still active.

**Warford and Lindow Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Warford Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Based at Great Warford, near Lindow End. Folded in 1918

**Wargrave Industrial School Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1880s to the early 1900s. The Reading and Wokingham District School was set up in a former workhouse building at Wargrave. The school closed in the early 1900s.

**Wargrave School Brass Band**

See: *Wargrave Industrial School Brass Band*

**Warleggan Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in the early 1900s - had folded by 1933, when the instruments were called in by the parish council

**Warley Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[no information]

**Warlingham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1890s to WW2. Conductor in 1899 was W. Dicker. In 1901, H. Jackson, in 1929, J. Barley, in 1939, Alf Barden.

**Warlingham British Legion Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1950s

**Warmington Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1930s

**Warminster Brass Band (1)** - Wiltshire

Active in 1869

**Warminster Brass Band (2) - Wiltshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1879

**Warminster Friendly Society Brass Band - Wiltshire**

Founded in 1859, conductor Mr Dyer. Band of the Warminster branch of the Wilts Friendly Society. Still active in 1864

**Warmley Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in 1867

**Warmley Excelsior Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1900s, conductor W. Norman.

**Warmley Military Band - Gloucestershire**

Founded 1903, as Warmley Mission Reed and Brass Band, by the men of the Warmley Independent Methodist Church, predominantly from the Mill Lane and Cadbury Heath area, many of whom were from the Lovell Family. The Band had a membership of about twenty men, one of whom was George Webb, father of Bill Webb the cycle shop owner. The Warmley Military Band achieved a great deal in the world of music, a small dedicated band of men, whose fame spread to Minehead, Hereford and Berkeley, where they had regular engagements and the fact that the Band existed for 33 years is an achievement in itself. Perhaps their most frequent and enjoyable engagement was to lead the annual Whitsuntide parades through surrounding villages. George Webb was born in 1842 and at the age of eight started his working life in a nearby coalpit. Inspired by the sounds of brass band music, he taught himself to play the cornet and at the age of thirteen he left the pit. George was now in his element. In a very short time he was able to 'triple tongue' on his cornet and was capable of producing 700 notes to the minute. In 1862, he was the star player of 'The Christie Minstrels'. From this time on he was often on tour but always returned to his roots where he had a wife and young family. Around 1882, George took part in a ceremony when the chimney stack at Haskins Pottery was heightened. When the chimney was completed George stood on the top run and played the National Anthem, God Bless the Prince of Wales and Auld Lang Syne. The cornet was not the only instrument George mastered as he was able to handle many instruments, particularly the trombone. His ability did not stop there as he also became bandmaster to numerous bands but, in particular, the Warmley Military Band. At the turn of the century George Webb had produced scores of compositions for brass bands and his name was familiar all around Britain as well as on the Continent. There is a story that the Black Dyke Mills Band were passing through Warmley station on their way to Bournemouth. They had persuaded the driver to stop the train so as they could meet their hero, George Webb. However, George had prepared a surprise for them and with the aid of a local brass band, the Black Dyke and Warmley Bands marched along the road, playing at full pitch and meeting in the middle of the village.

**Warmley Mission Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in the 1900s

**Warmley Tower Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in 1864, when they took part in the processions celebrating the official opening of the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol. Conductor George Webb in 1870-1880, H. Carter in 1894. Winners of the first prize brass band contest at St George's, Bristol, in 1883.

Presumed to have disbanded prior to the Excelsior Band forming in 1904

**Warmley Tower Excelsior Band - Gloucestershire**

Founded in 1904, conductor George Webb. Still active in 1922

**Warner's Ironworks Band** - Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex

Active in 1886

**Warren Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed as Warren Youth Band in the late 1970s with Duncan Beckley at the helm. It was based either in Wakefield or Lepton. It was named after Alison Warren, a teacher in the Wakefield area who had a great interest in youth and music. It dropped the "youth" appellation in the early 1980s and continued until the late 1980s or early 1990s.

**Warren Farm Schools Band** - Woodingdean, Sussex

Active from the 1880s to the 1900s, conductor J.C. Fly in the early 1900s, Lewis Wallace in 1906. The school was opened in 1862, in Warren Road, with the first inmates (75 boys and 65 girls) marching to the new premises from the Dyke Road Workhouse. Music played a big part of the children's education and many of them began their careers with army or navy bands. John Parkes was "a well behaved boy playing the Baritone [horn] very well", he joined the Band of Munster Fusiliers in Colchester in 1891 whilst Bertie Nightingale "shewed good ability on the French Horn" and joined the Band of the 2nd Battalion Duke of Cornwall in Devon in 1901.

**Warrenby and Loftus Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Warrenby Brass Band*

**Warrenby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in the 1900s. Also known as one times as Warrenby and Loftus Band. Did not survive WW1

**Warrenby Ironworks Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the early 1900s

**Warrington Blue Coat School Boys Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1862 and in the 1900s. Conductor Thomas Armstrong in 1905. The school was founded in 1665 to "apprentice annually five poore boys to some handicraft trades". In the mid-1850s it was catering to legitimate children of poor parents in the locality. The original school was in Bluecoat Street, later moving to Chester Road.

**Warrington Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1850s to the late 1920s. It led the parade for the foundation stone laying of Christ Church, Pennington on 19th May 1853.

**Warrington Brass** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: Warrington Junior Silver Band, Warrington Youth Band (1967-1999)

**Warrington Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Warrington Borough Band*

**Warrington Catholic Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1930s to 1950s

**Warrington Catholic United Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s. Conductor T. Meredith in 1891.

**Warrington Cottage Homes Band** - Lancashire

See: *Warrington Workhouse Brass Band*

**Warrington Erasmic Soap Works Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s.

**Warrington Industrial School Band** - Lancashire

See: *Warrington Workhouse Brass Band*

- Warrington Junior Silver Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Warrington Brass*
- Warrington League of the Cross Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s to the 1900s
- Warrington Leigh Street Methodist Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Leigh Street Primitive Methodist Band*
- Warrington Pioneer Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor E. Smith in 1906
- Warrington Silver Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Kent Street Mission Band*
- Warrington United Brass Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Warrington Catholic United Brass Band*
- Warrington Workhouse Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Founded in 1870. Consisting of youths from the workhouse in Lovely Lane. Bandmaster Mr Griffiths in the 1880s and 1890s, Robert Bonner in 1904. In the 1880s the children from the workhouse moved to the new Padgate Cottage Homes in Green Lane. The band was also known as Warrington Cottage Homes Band.
- Warrington Youth Band** - Lancashire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Warrington Brass*
- Warsash Band** - Hampshire  
[current band]
- Warsash Brass Band (1)**  
Formed by the Rev Holt, vicar of St Mary's church at Warsash, and disbanded around 1922
- Warsash Brass Band (2)**  
Formed in 1993 as an all-brass band, but now a concert band with reed instruments as well as brass, known as Warsash Band.
- Warslow Community Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Warslow Silver Band*
- Warslow Silver Band** - Staffordshire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1870s. Also known as Warslow Community Brass Band in the 1980s
- Warsop Main Colliery Brass Band** - Warsop Vale, Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1930s
- Warth Fold Brass Band** - Bury, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Warth Prize Band** - Bury, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor William Peatfield in 1899, secretary Thomas Jack in 1902.
- Wartling Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in 1865 to 1867
- Warton Village Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1903-1906. Conductor F. Hackett in 1905
- Warwick Band of Hope Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in 1881, conductor Mr Macdonald
- Warwick Brass Band** - Cumberland  
See: *Warwick Bridge Brass Band*

**Warwick Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active from 1853 into the 1860s

**Warwick Bridge Brass Band** - Cumberland

Formed in 1839, folded in December 1858. The conductor in that final year was Joseph Robley, but he was replaced by Mr Carruthers at a contest in Alston in June 1858.

**Warwick Excelsior Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. It possibly folded around 1903 and was "reformed" in 1905 under the baton of S. Gumley. The conductor in 1908 was E. Taylor.

**Warwick Garibaldian Lifeboat Crews Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1864

**Warwick Town Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1930s

**Warwickshire and Coventry Constabulary Band** - Warwickshire

See: *Coventry Police Band*

**Washington and District Band** - Durham

Active between 1907 and 1911

**Washington Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*

**Washington Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in 1861, conductor Mr Bainbridge

**Washington Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 2007

**Washington Brotherhood Band** - Durham

Founded in 1923 as a temperance band, and later known as Washington Colliery Band (or Washington F Pit Band) up to 1968, Washington Glebe Colliery Band, then Washington Welfare Band, led by Tyneside danceband leader George Rowell. Despite the closure of the Washington Glebe Colliery in 1972, band members had soldiered on and were determined to keep the music alive. Memorable events in the '70s were: Gaining promotion to the Championship section, Winning Section B contest at Northumberland Miner's Picnic for about 8 years in succession, Taking part in CISWO finals at Blackpool year after year, Visiting Belgium and Germany, Playing throughout England and Scotland in clubs and other venues under the name of "the Washington Showband", Making a commercial for Vaux Breweries, Taking part in Tyne Tees drama productions, Playing for Royal visits to the area, Playing for President Carter's visit to Washington Village. George Rowell died 1972, at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool. Washington Welfare was taking part in the CISWO contest, and as the band proceeded to take the stage, George collapsed and died. The band took the stage, and Gordon Kitto MBE, well known conductor of Thornley Coll. Band, came from the audience and conducted the band for it's contest performance, never having conducted band beforehand. Playing in the band was George's son Ray, and his brother Harry. The band completed it's performance and was awarded 2nd prize, an amazing result under the circumstances. The band competed in championship finals in London and Blackpool and won the trophy at the Bedlington Miners' Picnic in Northumberland eight years in a row. In 1997 they were finally forced to disband because of lack of funding and interest. A successor band was formed in 2007.

**Washington Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*



- Washington F Pit Band** - Durham  
See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*
- Washington Glebe Band** - Durham  
[previous name of current band] See: *Felling Band*
- Washington Glebe Colliery Band** - Durham  
See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*
- Washington Station Band** - Durham  
Founded in 1906
- Washington Temperance Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1900s
- Washington Welfare Band** - Durham  
See: *Washington Brotherhood Band*
- Washwood Heath Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Watchet Brass** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1892 - Former names: Watchet Town Band (to 2013)
- Watchet British Legion Band** - Somerset  
Competed in the 1962 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section),  
conducted by J. Alexander
- Watchet Royal British Legion Band** - Somerset  
[previous name of current band] See: *West Somerset Brass*
- Watchet Town Band** - Somerset  
[previous name of current band] See: *Watchet Brass*
- Water Brass Band** - Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1866
- Water Orton Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1900s to 1930s. Bandmaster Mr Bratt in 1904
- Water Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s. The band was connected with the Water Street branch of  
the Manchester Corporation Health Department.
- Waterbeach Brass** - Cambridgeshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1978
- Waterfoot and Newchurch Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1888 when it competed in a contest at Todmorden.
- Waterfoot Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the late 1890s
- Waterhead Amateur Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
See: *Waterhead Brass Band*
- Waterhead Brass Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
Active from the mid-1860s to the late 1940s. Conductor S. Needham in 1868. Secretary  
George E. Whitehead in 1885. Also known as Waterhead Public Band around 1910
- Waterhead Public Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
See: *Waterhead Brass Band*
- Waterhouses Institute Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s. Advertising for solo trombone and baritone players in 1898 - with the  
offer of work found as coke fillers (single men preferred).

**Wateringbury Amateur Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in 1856

**Wateringbury Volunteer Band** - Kent  
Active in 1895

**Waterloo Brass Band** - Brighouse, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor James Greenwood in 1860.

**Waterloo Brass Band** - Crosby, Lancashire  
See: *Waterloo Christ Church Brass Band*

**Waterloo Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
See: *Hull Waterloo Brass Band*

**Waterloo British Legion Band** - Crosby, Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s

**Waterloo Christ Church Brass Band** - Crosby, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor J.G. Dobbing 1894-1907

**Waterlow and Sons Brass Band** - London (City)  
See: *Carpenters' Hall Brass Band*

**Waterman's Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Messrs Waterman and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Waters Upton Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1900s and 1950s

**Watership Brass** - Berkshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1980 - Former names: Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Band (to 1984) - Note: Started life in Basingstoke then moved to Kingsclere, then to Newbury

**Waterside Brass Band** - Tintwistle, Cheshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1870s

**Waterside Original Brass Band** - Tintwistle, Cheshire  
See: *Waterside Brass Band*

**Watford Artisan Silver Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

**Watford Band** - Hertfordshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1895 - Former names: London and North Western Railway Band, Watford Artisan Silver Band, Watford Silver Prize Band, Watford Silver Prize and British Legion Band, Watford United Ex-Service Men's Band, Watford Silver Band, Hosier & Dickinson Watford Band (2003)

**Watford School of Music Brass Band** - Hertfordshire  
Active in the 1980s

**Watford Silver Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

**Watford Silver Prize and British Legion Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

**Watford Temperance Band** - Hertfordshire  
Founded in 1908, bandmaster S.G. Burch

**Watford United Ex-Service Men's Band** - Hertfordshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Watford Band*

**Watford Volunteer Brass Band** - Hertfordshire  
Active in 1872

- Watford Wesleyan Mission Band** - Hertfordshire  
 Founded around 1902, bandmaster A.J. Sopp
- Wath and Bolton United Brass Band** - Wath-on-Dearne, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- Wath Brass Band** - Wath-on-Dearne, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1850s to 1900s. Bandmaster Amos Hill in 1905
- Wath Old Brass Band**  
 See: *Wath Brass Band*
- Wath Town Band** - Wath-on-Dearne, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
 Active in the 1930s and 1940s
- Watlington Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in the 1840s to the 1880s. Conductor Mr Vernon in 1858
- Watlington Excelsior Band** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in 1917
- Watlington Nephelite Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in the 1890s
- Watlington Temperance Brass Band** - Oxfordshire  
 Active in the 1880s
- Watney Band**  
 See: *West London Silver Band*
- Watney Mann Band**  
 See: *West London Silver Band*
- Wattlesborough Heath Brass Band** - Shropshire  
 Active in the mid-1880s
- Watton and District Band** - Norfolk  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Watton Silver Band*
- Watton and District Brass Band** - Norfolk  
 Formed as Watton British Legion Band in the 1920s or early 1930s. Renamed Watton and District Brass Band around 1950, active through to the late 1970s
- Watton Brass Band** - Norfolk  
 Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- Watton British Legion Band** - Norfolk  
 See: *Watton and District Brass Band*
- Watton British Legion Band** - Norfolk  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Watton Silver Band*
- Watton Silver Band** - Norfolk  
 [current band] - Founded in the early 1900s - Former names: Watton Volunteer Band, Watton Town Band, Watton British Legion Band (1930s-1950s), Watton and District Band  
 - Note: Link with previous Hingham and Watton Band?
- Watton Town Band** - Norfolk  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Watton Silver Band*
- Watton Town Band** - Norfolk  
 Active in the 1900s, bandmaster F.C. Utting in 1902, Walter Garner in 1904
- Watton Volunteer Band** - Norfolk  
 [previous name of current band] See: *Watton Silver Band*

**Watts Naval School Boys Band** - North Elmham, Norfolk

Active in the 1900s, bandmaster F.J. Moore in 1906. The school was opened in 1903 as a home for up to 300 orphans and destitute boys under the charge of Dr T. J. Barnardo. Musical training was given for boys intending on being enlisted in the Royal Marines or other military bands. The band was still active in 1914

**Waunarlwydd Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1904, bandmaster W. Griffiths. Active through to the 1920s.

**Waunfawr and District Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1920s through WW2 to the late 1940s

**Waunfawr Brass Band** - Caernarfonshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Waunfawr Silver Band**

See: *Waunfawr and District Band*

**Waveney Brass Band** - Beccles, Suffolk

Active in 1990s, folding in the early 2000s. Some remaining members formed the Waveney Valley Brass Ensemble around 2004.

**Waveney Valley Brass** - Beccles, Suffolk

[current band]

**Waveney Valley Brass Band**

See: *Waveney Brass Band*

**Wavertree Silver Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1901. Active to 1914. Richard Greaves, known as "Red Dick", was the leader of the Wavertree Silver Band. He was the last known resident of "The Smallest House in England", which stood at 95 High Street, Wavertree, Liverpool . Whether or not it actually was the smallest house in England is open to conjecture but it was only 6 feet wide and 14 feet from front to back and it's alleged that one couple raised 8 children in it. Richard Greaves allegedly was so robust that he had to climb the stairs sideways.

**Wealden Brass** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1979 - Former names: Vines Cross Modern Brass (to 1980), Hailsham and Vines Cross Modern Brass

**Wealdstone Town Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Wear Royal Yacht Club Band**

See: *Royal Wear Yacht Club Brass Band*

**Weardale Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s/1860s and the 1900s. Conductor E. Barton in 1906. Held a Cornet Contest at Darlington in August 1877 where the winner was Thomas Jenkinson, leader of Northallerton Temperance Band.

**Weardale Saxhorn Band**

See: *Weardale Brass Band*

**Weare Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1862 to 1867

**Wearmouth Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s

**Wearmouth Colliery Band (1)** - Sunderland, Durham

Active in the 1910s to the 1930s

**Wearmouth Colliery Band (2)**

See: *Hylton Colliery Silver Band*

**Wearmouth Silver Band** - Durham

Active in the 1930s

**Weaste Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Known as Weaste Public Band from 1906

**Weaste Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Weaste Brass Band*

**Weaste St Luke's Band** - Lancashire

See: *St Luke's Brotherhood Brass Band*

**Weaste Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1900s

**Weaver Building Group Band** - Hoyland, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Strata Brass*

**Webb Ivory (Newhall) Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Newhall Band*

**Webster and Horsefall's Excelsior Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1884

**Webster Dinnington Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Dinnington Colliery Brass Band*

**Wedmore Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the 1850s to the 1920s. Conductor A. Gibbs in 1896-1926

**Wednesbury and North Stafford Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1870s

**Wednesbury Borough Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s

**Wednesbury Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from the 1850s to WW1. Conductor Z. Sanders in 1860. Still active in 1887. Also known as 34th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers Band, and Wednesbury Rifles Band.

**Wednesbury Crown Tube Works Band**

See: *Crown Tube Works Brass Band*

**Wednesbury Globe Tube Works Band**

See: *Globe Tube Works Band*

**Wednesbury Hill Top Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Mr Shenton in 1891

**Wednesbury Old Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1873

**Wednesbury Rifles Band**

See: *Wednesbury Brass Band*

**Wednesbury Temperance Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Wednesbury Tube Works Band**

See: *Crown Tube Works Brass Band*

**Wednesbury United Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s

**Wednesbury Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Wednesfield Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1863

**Wednesfield Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Wednesfield Prince of Wales Rifle Corps Band**

See: *Wednesfield Prince of Wales Temperance Band*

**Wednesfield Prince of Wales Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Wednesfield Royal Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Wednesfield Silver Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1940s

**Weedon Brass Band** - Weedon Bec, Northamptonshire

Active in 1866. Conductor H. Pinfold in 1898

**Weedon Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1892

**Week St Mary Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active from the 1840s to the 1880s

**Week St Mary Rechabite Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1916

**Welbeck Abbey Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s to early 1900s

**Welbeck Colliery Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active from the 1920s to 1940.

**Welbeck Estates Band** - Nottinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1980

**Welburn Brass Band** - near Crambeck, Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in 1857, 1860. Conductor Mr Prest in 1858. The band was linked to the nearby Castle Howard estate and was also known as the Earl of Carlisle's Brass Band

**Weld Bank Brass Band** - Chorley, Lancashire

Played at the Chorley Catholic School's Children's Treat in May 1850, and led a procession of "Ancient Shepherds" to a new lodge in November that year. Took part in the Whitsuntide processions in Preston in 1872. Active in the mid 1890s, when it benefitted from the gift of new instruments and patronage from Dean Lennon of St Gregory's, Weld Bank. Still active in the 1920s/40s. Practiced on Weldbank Lane in Chorley. After it folded, its remnants formed the Chorley Silver Band.

**Weld Bank Prize Band** - Chorley, Lancashire

See: *Weld Bank Brass Band*

**Weld Bank Roman Catholic Brass Band** - Chorley, Lancashire

Active in 1887

**Weldon Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1867

**Welford and District Band** - Berkshire

Officially founded in 1870 (although there is evidence to suggest it developed from an earlier fife and drum band). It seems to have petered out around the time of the Great War. It was quite well known in the West Berkshire/East Wiltshire area and the local Newbury and Marlborough newspapers regularly reported their concerts (aided,

probably, by the fact that the Bandmaster was also the village Postmaster!). James Brown was the Bandmaster and several other members of the Brown family also took part in the band. Conductor Thomas Brown in 1904. Also known as Wickham Brass Band

**Welford Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in 1859.

**Welford-on-Avon Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

It was in existence in 1924. By the early 1950s the band had 16 instruments, consisting of 5 B flat cornets, 2 Tenor Horns, 2 baritones, 1 Euphonium, 2 Trombones, 2 E flat Bases, 1 bass drum and 1 side drum. However by 1960 the band was no longer active, and the uniforms and instruments were stored in the Rectory in case it was reformed. The band was later (date unknown) reconstituted, but support for it locally became less and less. Around 2000 there were no folk from the village left in the band, and only a regular core of about 4 or 5 people, so a decision was taken reluctantly to wind the band up.

**Well Street Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire

Active in the 1870s, conductor Mr Carter.

**Welland-side Brass Band** - Stamford, Lincolnshire

Founded in 1863, conductor Mr Goodwin. Still active in 1869

**Welldale Brass Band** - Dumfriesshire

Founded in late 1865, conductor Mr Ensor. Largely formed by employees of the two mills in Port Street, Annan. Still active in 1866

**Wellesley Colliery Band** - Fife

Formed in 1919 and in 1920 they competed at their first competition in Methil where they took 3rd prize. In 1921 they won first prize at the open championships in Bathgate and took the cup for the best third section band. Promoted to second section in 1926 Wellesley had a run of bad luck that took them back down to third section. William Pegg was bandmaster in 1927. By 1930 at Stirling under George Hawkins they won the third section and were back up to the second section. It seemed Mr Hawkins gave the band the confidence they needed and they were promoted in 1934 at Leith to the championship section. By now they were progressing as a programme band and were asked to play at the empire exhibition in Glasgow. They won the Fife championships 1938, 1939 and 1940. In 1944 they won the Scottish championship and were runners up the following year. 1947 and yet another great result, first prize at the miners gala day in Edinburgh entitling them to compete at the miners festival in London representing Scotland. Their finest hour was in 1964 when they won the second section daily herald British brass band championships in London. The band ceased to exist in 1976 when the remaining players amalgamated with the Buckhaven Town Band, to form the current Buckhaven and Methil Miners Band.

**Wellesley Training Ship Band** - Tynemouth, Northumberland, ## 6 ##, Reformatory School for boys. They made their first public appearance in April 1872. The band closed with the school in 1914. , ## 7 ##, Training Ship Wellesley Band

**Wellingborough All Saints C. of E. Band** - Northamptonshire

Founded in 1880

**Wellingborough C. of E. Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Wellingborough All Saints C. of E. Band*

**Wellingborough Congregational Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed in August 1880, tutored by William Skinner (of Rushden). Active through to the 1900s.

- Wellingborough L.M.S. Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- Wellingborough Railwaymen's Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
See: *Wellingborough L.M.S. Band*
- Wellingborough Rifles Band** - Northamptonshire  
See: *Wellingborough Volunteer Band*
- Wellingborough Temperance Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1910s, conductor W. Brawn. The band folded during WW1, some time after 1915. Drummer Alfred Reynolds of the 5th Northamptonshire Regiment took a bullet wound to the hip in 1915, and was recuperating in the base hospital in Boulogne - he had been a cornet player in the band and worked for the Wellingborough Ironstone Company. Another band member, Reginald Renaut, was killed by a trench bomb, aged 19, in 1916.
- Wellingborough Town Silver Band** - Northamptonshire  
Formed in 1895. Active through to WW1. Bandmaster F. Robinson in 1907
- Wellingborough Volunteer Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Wellington (Telford) Brass Band** - Shropshire  
[current band] - Founded in 2000
- Wellington Brass Band** - Bacup, Lancashire  
See: *Bacup Wellington Brass Band*
- Wellington Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
See: *Wellington Road Mission Brass Band*
- Wellington Brass Band** - Glemsford,  
See: *Glemsford Brass Band*
- Wellington Foundry Band**  
See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*
- Wellington Foundry Operatic Brass Band**  
See: *Leeds Railway Foundry Band*
- Wellington Newtown Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the late 1850s
- Wellington Railway Servants Band** - Shropshire  
Founded in 1890, bandmaster Mr Pritchard
- Wellington Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active in the 1860s, and the 1890s to 1900s
- Wellington Road Mission Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1890s
- Wellington Silver Band** - South Shields, Durham  
See: *Wellington Street Mission Band*
- Wellington Silver Band** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1887
- Wellington St George's Old Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Active from the 1870s to WW1. Conductor J. Shuker in 1907
- Wellington St George's Temperance Band** - Shropshire  
See: *Wellington St George's Old Brass Band*



**Wellington Street Mission Band** - South Shields, Durham

Formed on 18th January 1899, when the first rules of the Band were approved by the Workers Meeting. A further rule was added on 15th March, 1899, to the effect 'That no-one become a Member of the Band until the expiration of three months after confessing conversion.' The first bandmaster was Mr Halcrow. It became Wellington Silver Band in the 1920s, but did not last much beyond then. Conductor M.F. Adcock in 1914

**Wellington Street People's Mission Silver Band**

See: *Wellington Street Mission Band*

**Wellington Subscription Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire

Founded in 1906

**Wellington Town Band** - Somerset

Formed 1887 with players who left the local volunteer band. Still active in 1938

**Wellington Troop Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

See: *Hull Wellington Troop Brass Band*

**Wells Blue School Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Wells City Band*

**Wells Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Wells City Band*

**Wells City Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1989 - Former names: Wells Blue School Band

**Wells City Band (1)** - Somerset

Active from in the 1850s and 1860s

**Wells City Band (2)** - Somerset

Founded in 1887 as Wells Excelsior Band, conductor Arthur Hillier. Known as Wells City Band from the early 1890s. Conductor James Adlam in 1897. Active to the 1950s. A successor band was formed in 1989.

**Wells Community Brass Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Mendip Brass Band*

**Wells Excelsior Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Wells City Band (2)*

**Wells Temperance Band** - Somerset

Active in 1865

**Wells Union Juvenile Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1858

**Wells-next-the-Sea Band** - Norfolk

Active in the 1900s. Conductor F. Brightmore in 1908

**Wellworthy Works Brass Band** - Lymington, Hampshire

Formed at the end of WW2 and active through to the late 1950s. Competed in the 2nd Annual Open Brass Band Festival at the Wesley Central Hall, Portsmouth (organised by the Portsmouth City Fire Brigade Prize Band), on Saturday 16th September 1950.

**Welsh Flannel Mills Brass Band** - Holywell, Flintshire

Active from the early 1890s. Competed at a contest at Hawarden in 1896. Still active in 1904

**Welshampton Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1900s

**Welshpool Brass Band** - Montgomeryshire

Active in the 1850s to 1870s. Conductor Pryce Bain in 1865

**Welton Excelsior Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1900

**Welwyn Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1850s to 1880s

**Welwyn Garden City Band** - Hertfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1934

**Wem Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Wem British Legion Band** - Shropshire

See: *Wem Silver Band*

**Wem Jubilee Band** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Wem Silver Band** - Shropshire

Formed after WW1. Folded at the start of WW2. Competed at Belle Vue.

**Wem Town Band** - Shropshire

See: *Wem Silver Band*

**Wembley and Sudbury British Legion Silver Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1937

**Wembley Town Band** - Middlesex

Formed in 1910. Its prime movers included Mr Wiggins, an upholsterer, and the band's first practices were held in the basement of his shop. Titus Barham [the chairman of Express Dairies, who lived at Sudbury Park in Wembley and was an important local philanthropist] became their president and provided free of cost their resplendent green and silver uniforms. It proved impracticable to continue during the First World War but the band was re-formed in 1919 under the leadership of J. R. Masters of Sudbury. Eventually the group faded away, perhaps partly due to difficulties in securing suitable premises for regular practice.

**Wemyss Brass Band** - Fife

See: *East Wemyss Brass Band*

**Wendover Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1888. Conductor A. Howe in 1890. Bandmaster G. Underhill in 1906. Active through to the late 1920s

**Wendron Brass Band** - Cornwall

Active in 1892

**Wendron Silver Band** - Cornwall

[current band]

**Wenhaston Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in 1887 when it took part in the Golden Jubilee celebrations in the village

**Wenlock and Eaton Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in 1869

**Wenlock Brass Band** - Shropshire

See: *Much Wenlock Band*

**Wensley Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in 1858 to 1887

**Wensley Fold Brass Band** - Blackburn, Lancashire

Active in 1861

- Wentworth Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1864, leader Samuel Hawke. Still active in 1867
- Werneth and District Silver Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- Werneth Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s. Conductor G. Blackwell in 1894
- Wernos Colliery and District Silver Band** - Carmarthenshire  
Active in the 1960s
- Werrington Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in 1859
- Werrington Industrial School Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1880
- Wesley Guild Brass Band** - Boxted, Essex  
[previous name of current band] See: *Boxted Methodist Silver Band*
- Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Ancoats, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s to the 1960s. Also known as Wesley Hall Trinity Band in the 1960s
- Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Eastbourne, Sussex  
See: *Eastbourne Wesley Hall Brass Band*
- Wesley Hall Brass Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
See: *Sunderland Wesley Hall Brass Band*
- Wesley Hall Misson Band** - Bootle, Lancashire  
See: *Bootle Mission Brass Band*
- Wesley Hall Trinity Band** - Ancoats, Lancashire  
See: *Wesley Hall Brass Band (Manchester)*
- Wesley Reform Church Band** - Bedworth, Warwickshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Bedworth Silver Prize Band*
- Wesleyan Central Mission Brass Band** - Luton, Bedfordshire  
Active in 1903 - bandmaster A. Everitt.
- Wesleyan Home Mission Brass Band** - Bedford, Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1880s
- Wesleyan Mission (Victoria Bar) Band** - York, Yorkshire  
Active around 1891
- Wesleyan Reform Church Brass Band** - Bedworth, Warwickshire  
See: *Bedworth Silver Prize Band*
- Wessex Royal Artillery (TA) Band, 256th**  
See: *256th Wessex Royal Artillery (TA) Band*
- Wessex Youth Burton Bradstock Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1980s and 1990s
- West Acre Nelson Band** - Norfolk  
Active in the early 1900s, disbanding in 1907
- West Ardsley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1900s to 1930s. Secretary G. Fieldhouse in 1922 when the band was seeking a new bandmaster. Conductor Harold Smith in 1932.
- West Auckland and St Helen's Silver Band** - Durham  
See: *West Auckland and St Helen's Temperance Band*

**West Auckland and St Helen's Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed on Good Friday 1909 by the Independent Order of Good Templars and Rechabites. Later known as West Auckland and St Helen's Silver Band, West Auckland Brass Band and West Auckland Town Band. Still active in the 1970s.

**West Auckland Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1852, 1861

**West Auckland Temperance Band** - Durham

See: *West Auckland and St Helen's Temperance Band*

**West Auckland Town Band** - Durham

See: *West Auckland and St Helen's Temperance Band*

**West Bergholt Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**West Boldon Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1850s

**West Bromwich Albert Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1857

**West Bromwich Borough Band (1)** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1890s and early 1900s. Conductor J.W. Thomas in 1901. Presumed to have folded prior to 1908 when the successor band was formed.

**West Bromwich Borough Band (2)** - Staffordshire

It started its life with William (Billy) Goodwin, who ran a coffee shop in Bull Street, who in 1908 secured from Boosey and Sons several instruments with which to start a band - Goodwin's Silver Band. It was short lived under his influence and nearly folded but for the enterprise and dedication of half a dozen players who struck their own terms with Boosey and Son to continue with the instruments. They named their band the West Bromwich Borough Band, soon becoming quite proficient and winning prizes in competitions. The various band members combined their skills to erect a wooden structure in Beeches Road as a temporary practice room; prior to that their practice was on an ad hoc basis using various pubs and members houses, etc. In 1935 Alderman Jesse J Grant, of Grants Bakery, built Grant Hall primarily for the band, and was to be a lifelong benefactor and President. The band then had its first permanent Headquarters in September 1935. The band was still active in 1962, when it competed in the Grand Shield, conducted by G.A. Morris. Won the Grand Shield in 1964. Merged with Black Country Brass in 1987 to form Sandwell Brass Band (which later was renamed as Black Country Brass).

**West Bromwich Borough Silver Prize Band** - Staffordshire

See: *West Bromwich Borough Band (2)*

**West Bromwich Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1920s to the early 1950s, conductor J.T. Hughes in the early years.

**West Bromwich Flower of the Forest Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**West Bromwich Mission Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the mid-1890s to WW1.

**West Bromwich New Town Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1866

**West Bromwich Silver Band** - Staffordshire

See: *West Bromwich Borough Band*

**West Bromwich Temperance Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1865

**West Bromwich Volunteer Rifle Corps Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**West Burton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s, conductor John Hammond.

**West Calder and District Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *West Calder Brass*

**West Calder Brass** - Midlothian

[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: West Calder Brass Band, West Calder Musical Union Band, West Calder Public Band, West Calder and District Band

**West Calder Brass Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *West Calder Brass*

**West Calder Brass Band** - Midlothian

Active from 1868 to the 1930s. Conductor James Prentice in 1884, Tom Moore in 1899. It performed on a Sunday - in 1891 - shock/horror!. Was in financial trouble in 1896, trying to raise funds.

**West Calder Instrumental Band** - Midlothian

Active in 1879, when it played a "musical extravaganza" on 21 June 1879

**West Calder Musical Union Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *West Calder Brass*

**West Calder Musical Union Band** - Midlothian

Active in the 1900s

**West Calder Public Band** - Midlothian

[previous name of current band] See: *West Calder Brass*

**West Calder Public Band** - Midlothian

Formed in 1919. Won third prize in the final of the Edinburgh Charities Band Association contest in April 1931. Won two trophies at the West Lothian and District brass band contest in September 1932, still active in 1946, still active in 1984

**West Chiltington Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1908

**West Cholderton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1850s, also the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor Robert Bennett in 1906

**West Cowes Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1856

**West Cramlington Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *West Cramlington Colliery Band*

**West Cramlington Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1883, conductor John Dunn. Secretary John McPherson in 1885. Still active in 1896

**West Crawley Brass Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1900 and still active in 1950

**West Crawley Temperance Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to WW1, conductor A. Williams.

- West Cumberland Youth Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1970s
- West Derby Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in 1875
- West Dock Brass Band** - West Hartlepool, Durham  
Active in 1855
- West End Brass Band** - Hampshire  
Active in 1863 and in 1899, when it moved its practice premises from the New Inn to the Schoolroom
- West End Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1950s
- West Essex Artillery Band**  
See: *Waltham Abbey Brass Band*
- West Ferry Brass Band** - Owston Ferry, Lincolnshire  
See: *Owston Ferry Brass Band*
- West Gloucestershire Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1867 to 1869
- West Gorton Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- West Green Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1900s. Conductor G. Morley in 1905, disbanding in 1906
- West Haddon Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active from 1862 to 1919
- West Hallam Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire  
Active in the 1850s - folded prior to 1864 when a successor band was formed.
- West Hallam Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire  
Formed in 1864, active through the 1860s
- West Ham Borough Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s
- West Ham Boys Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1920s, conductor J. Montague
- West Ham Brotherhood Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1912
- West Ham Crusaders Temperance Band** - Essex  
Active in 1894
- West Ham Excelsior Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1920s, conductor W.R. Sharp
- West Ham Gasworks Band** - Essex  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s. May have been a "reed band" rather than brass band.
- West Ham Imperial Brass Band** - Essex  
Active in 1906
- West Ham Police Brass Band** - West Ham, Essex  
See: *K Division Police Brass Band*
- West Ham Union Workhouse Saxhorn Band** - Leytonstone, Essex  
Formed in October 1860, bandmaster Mr Phemister (on a salary of £40 per annum). This was a boys' brass band formed of the inmates. Still active in 1869

**West Hanningfield Brass Band** - Essex

Formed in the mid-1880s, conductor James Roberts. Active through the 1890s

**West Hartlepool Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s

**West Hartlepool Borough Band** - Durham

Formed in early 1890, conductor George Cornforth. Active through to 1900

**West Hartlepool Brass Band** - Durham

See: *West Hartlepool Old Operatic Brass Band*

**West Hartlepool British Legion Band** - Durham

Active in the 1920s

**West Hartlepool Gospel Mission Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in 1923 by H. Midgley. Based at the Mission in John Street, Hartlepool. In 1931 they were seeking funds for new instruments. Still active in the late 1940s.

**West Hartlepool Mission Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Hartlepool Silver Band*

**West Hartlepool Mission Band** - Durham

See: *West Hartlepool Gospel Mission Brass Band*

**West Hartlepool Model Band** - Durham

See: *West Hartlepool Old Operatic Brass Band*

**West Hartlepool N.E.R. Band** - Durham

Formed in 1883. Still active in 1895

**West Hartlepool Old Operatic Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in 1851. Also known as West Hartlepool Operatic Band. Known as the 4th Durham Artillery Band until it resigned its connection with the corps in 1875. Folded in the 1950s

**West Hartlepool Operatic Band** - Durham

See: *West Hartlepool Old Operatic Brass Band*

**West Hartlepool Original Band** - Durham

Active in 1893 when it promoted a contest

**West Hartlepool Prize Band** - Durham

See: *West Hartlepool Borough Band*

**West Hartlepool Recreation Band** - Durham

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**West Hartlepool Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed in 1891. It obtained old instruments from the West Hartlepool Old Operatic Band and spent £40 on new instruments. Still active in 1929.

**West Hill Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s

**West Hill School Brass Band** - Stalybridge, Cheshire

Active in the 1960s and 1970s

**West Hoathly Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the early 1900s to the late 1920s. Conductor Thomas Briggs in the early years.

**West Hull Excelsior Silver Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Formed in November 1912, by working men from the Hessle Road district. They obtained some very handsome uniforms in blue and silver, and over their first two years of playing managed to donate over £100 to charity - particularly those bereaved in trawler disasters. Bandmaster in 1914 was William Arthur Scott (aged 21). The band was

known locally as the "Fishermen's Band". Active through to WW2. Also known as West Hull Prize Band. In 1937 the band was at a stage of collapse owing to lack of funds and support. Major G Thompson and the Adjutant, Captain H Potter, of 150th (Northumbrian) Division, Royal Army Service Corps, persuaded the Band members that by joining the unit, they could retain their instruments and continue playing. This suggestion was readily accepted and the Unit was now in possession of an official Band under Bandmaster Keenan. Many of the instruments were in poor condition but thanks to the support of the Officers, improvement was effected and the Band was able to give inspiring performances on parades and on route marches. The Band was known as 150th (Northumbrian) Column Territorial Army Band and players were also recruited from the ranks of 522, 523 and 524 Companies Royal Army Service Corps (Territorial Army).

#### **West Hull Prize Band**

See: *West Hull Excelsior Silver Band*

#### **West Humberstone Mission Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in 1898

#### **West Kirby Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1890s. Conductor W. Moir Brow. Renamed Hoylake and West Kirby Band in 1902

#### **West Lancs Home Guard Band**

See: *Farnworth Old Band*

#### **West Lavington Brass Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1880s

#### **West Lewisham British Legion Band - Kent**

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Conductor Tom Morgan in the 1920s

#### **West Linton Brass Band - Peeblesshire**

Active in the 1840s, had folded prior to 1864 when there was talk of establishing a new band.

#### **West London District Brass Band - Middlesex**

Active in 1890

#### **West London District School Band - Ashford, Middlesex**

Active in 1876

#### **West London Mission Children's Home Band - Middlesex**

Active from 1882, conductor R. Heath Mills. The home was located at Eastbourne Terrace, Paddington. Still active in the 1890s

#### **West London Silver Band - Surrey**

Formed in 1937 and loaned its instruments to the Home Guard during the War, reforming in 1946 as Borough of Barnes Brass Band. Became the Watney Band in 1959. Jimmy Edwards, the comedian, once played tenor horn with the band. In the 1970s the Watney Band, under the baton of Albert Meek, experimented with including french horns (along with a string bass). Continued through the 1970s into the early 1980s as the Richmond Band

#### **West Lothian Schools Brass Band - West Lothian**

[current band] - Founded in 1972

#### **West Lutton Blue Ribbon Army Band**

See: *West Lutton Brass Band*



- West Lutton Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
 Formed in 1883 under the banner of the Blue Ribbon Army, conductor Robson Leason.  
 Active also in the 1930s as Lutton Brass Band
- West Maryston Brass Band** - Easterhouse, Lanarkshire  
 Active in 1864 through to 1905. The village of West Maryston disappeared when the pits closed, the buildings being demolished from the 1930s onwards. Also known as West Merryston Brass Band
- West Mendip Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Active in the 1850s to 1870s.
- West Meon Brass Band** - Hampshire  
 Active in the 1900s
- West Mercia Constabulary Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1988
- West Merryston Brass Band** - Easterhouse, Lanarkshire  
 See: *West Maryston Brass Band*
- West Mersea Brass Band** - Essex  
 Active from the 1890s. By 1938 had become the West Mersea British Legion Band. They disbanded in 1939. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.
- West Mersea British Legion Band**  
 See: *West Mersea Brass Band*
- West Midland (Hereford) Brass Band** - Hereford, Herefordshire  
 Active in 1862, conducted by Mr Smiley (a different band to the West Midland Railway Brass Band)
- West Midland Provident Association Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
 Active in 1860
- West Midland Railway Brass Band** - Malvern, Worcestershire  
 Active in 1862, conducted by Mr Hollings (a different band to the West Midland (Hereford) Brass Band)
- West Midlands Police Band** - Warwickshire  
 [current band] - Founded in 1928 - Former names: Coventry City Police Band (to 1976)
- West Midlands Police Brass Band**  
 Active in the 1980s
- West Monkton Brass Band** - Somerset  
 Active in 1866
- West Moor Brass Band** - Northumberland  
 Active in the 1860s
- West Norwood Brass Band** - Surrey  
 Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- West Norwood Town Band** - Surrey  
 Founded in 1905
- West Nottingham Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
 Active in the 1870s
- West of England Blind Institution Brass Band** - Exeter, Devon  
 Founded in 1863. Still active in 1869. The blind school was located at St David's Hill, Exeter

- West of England Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1864, conductor Mr Morrish
- West Orchard Brass Band** - Coventry, Warwickshire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- West Pelton and District Band**  
See: *West Pelton Brass Band*
- West Pelton Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s to the late 1940s.
- West Pelton Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1950s
- West Pelton Community Brass Band** - Durham  
[current band] - Founded in 2007
- West Pelton Volunteers Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1880s
- West Pinchbeck Brass Band**  
See: *Pinchbeck West Brass Band*
- West Rainton Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1850s through to the 1880s
- West Riding and Silkstone Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Altofts and Normanton Brass Band*
- West Riding County Fire Service Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *West Riding Fire Service Band*
- West Riding Fire Service Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1960s to the mid-1980s when it converted to a military band format. A number of its brass players went on to form West Yorkshire Brass in 1986
- West Riding Home Guard Band, 26th** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *26th West Riding Home Guard Band*
- West Riding Pauper Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s, based at the Stanley Royd Hospital. Conductor Mr Lofthouse in 1860
- West Sleekburn Brass Band**  
See: *West Sleekburn Colliery Brass Band*
- West Sleekburn Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1870s and the 1880s. Secretary Robert Curley in 1873
- West Smethwick Adult School Band** - Staffordshire  
Founded in 1904
- West Smethwick Early Morning School Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *West Smethwick Adult School Band*
- West Smethwick Park Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Founded around 1898. Active into the 1910s. West Smethwick Park itself opened in 1895
- West Somerset Brass** - Somerset  
[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Former names: Watchet Royal British Legion Band (to 2008)
- West Stanley Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1860s to WW2. Conductor George Chaters in 1863. Known as West Stanley Town Band after WW1.
- West Stanley Town Band**  
See: *West Stanley Brass Band*

**West Stockwith Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**West Street Brass Band** - St Helens, Lancashire

Affiliated with the West Street Independent Methodist Church.

**West Tarring Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor Mr Chipper in 1894, Mr Moss in 1907

**West Thorn School Brass Band** - Lanarkshire

Active in 1917 through to the 1930s, it was based at the Parkhead Roman Catholic Reformatory for Boys, West Thorn, Tollcross, Glasgow.

**West Thurrock Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1880s

**West Vale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Greetland and West Vale Band*

**West Vale Works Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Greetland and West Vale Band*

**West Wickham Salvation Army Band** - Cambridgeshire

The Corps was founded in 1886 and had a silver band almost right from the start. In 1950, John Simpkin, who had then been Bandmaster for all the band's 64 years, reminisced that first instrument was a cornet bought new for 30 shillings and that the first drum, a relic of the Crimean War, was so strong it was used for many years as an open air pulpit! Those living in the village (pop. in 1881 was 455 and declining) were entirely dependant, directly or indirectly, on the land for their living, so most of the band members were agricultural labourers or tradesmen - John Simpkin, for example, was a blacksmith. The band played at open air or cottage meetings in all the surrounding villages, members walking or cycling some miles to do so. They also took part in village occasions such as the celebrations for Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897, where they led the procession, and Armistice commemorations. The Corps, with its band, survived to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1986 but the increasing age of its members and the cost of repairs needed to their Hall saw its close and absorption into the Haverhill Corps soon after.

**West Worthing Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1860s to 1867

**West Wycombe Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1871 - Note: Formed by a group of handbell ringers

**West Wylam Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Active in the 1870s and 1880s. Conductor G. Cowing in 1883

**West Yorkshire Brass** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1986

**West Yorkshire Fire Service Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *West Riding Fire Service Band*

**West Yorkshire Motors (Sharlston) Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Sharlston Colliery Band*

**West Yorkshire Police Band** - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1899 - Note: Police Bands have entertained the public in West Yorkshire for over a century. Bradford City Police Band was formed as long ago as 1899, with Leeds City following some fifteen years later. In 1974 the Leeds and Bradford forces amalgamated to form The West Yorkshire Metropolitan Police, and both bands

merged at that time to become The West Yorkshire Police Band. Initially military in style, with woodwind, brass and percussion, in 1984 a new ethos was agreed and from that date the band has been styled in the traditional Brass Band format.

**Westbourne School Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1980s

**Westbury and Henbury Temperance Society Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1868, conductor J.O. Brooke. Still active in 1869

**Westbury Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Westbury-on-Severn Brass Band*

**Westbury Imperial Brass Band** - Westbury-on-Severn, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1900s

**Westbury Temperance Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Westbury and Henbury Temperance Society Brass Band*

**Westbury-on-Severn Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1850s to the 1900s

**Westerham Brass Band** - Kent

Active from 1892 to the late 1920s. Conductor A.E. Newton in the early 1900s, W.E. Bennett in 1927

**Westerleigh Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 2003

**Westfield Brass Band** - Midlothian

See: *Dalkeith and Westfield Trades Band*

**Westfield Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1890s

**Westgate Band**

See: *Dalkeith Burgh Band*

**Westgate Hall Methodist Church Silver Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Formed in the 1900s. Disbanded in the late 1950's

**Westgate Hall Mission Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Westgate Hall Methodist Church Silver Band*

**Westgate Mission Band** - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

See: *Westgate Hall Methodist Church Silver Band*

**Westgate-on-Sea Band** - Kent

Active in the early 1900s

**Westhall Excelsior Band** - Suffolk

[no information]

**Westham and Pevensey Brass Band** - Sussex

Active in the 1900s, conductor R. Hargreaves.

**Westham Brass Band** - Sussex

See: *Westham and Pevensey Brass Band*

**Westham School Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1970s

**Westhoughton Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1854, the first event at which they are recorded attending was the peace celebrations for the Crimean War in 1856. A wit from the Westhoughton Journal and Guardian wrote in 1934, 'The band reached the summit of their achievements in the 1870's. The old Westhoughton factory was burned down by incendiaries and a new

factory was built on the site, opposite the White Lion. It was a larger and more ambitious building and boasted a high new chimney. When the mill was opened the band played on top of the chimney to celebrate the event! There is said to have been one 'chicken hearted' member who refused this glorious opportunity! And what a clever man he was! Although formed many years before Wingates, Westhoughton Old had been for some years considered the 'nursery' for the bigger local bands, with many of its more gifted players going onto such bands as Wingates, Horwich RMI and Besses'. One final note of interest is that a draw took place in 1869 'to provide the Westhoughton Brass Band with military uniforms to enable it more efficiently to co-operate with the Westhoughton subdivision of the 27th L.R.V.'. The list of prizes to be drawn follows. It includes a first prize of a harmonium, a fat pig, a sack of flour, a cheese, an iron bedstead and a live fat duck! The latest reference for the band is in 1936, it must have disbanded either during or shortly after the Second World War.

**Westhoughton British Legion Band** - Lancashire

Formed in 1921, active to the late 1940s

**Westhoughton Old Band** - Lancashire

See: *Westhoughton Brass Band*

**Westhoughton Public Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed around 1890 in the Daisy Hill area, it was conducted by a Mr Joseph Chadwick, who later went to Australia and conducted two bands there. They rehearsed in a hut behind the Cross Guns pub. It would appear that they were a group of men who got together to enjoy making music and may never have performed in public. They seem to have disbanded around the First World War.

**Westleigh Brass Band** - Lancashire

Formed in June 1881, with John Brown as the leader. He was also the bandmaster of Blackrod Temperance Band. In 1884 they played in a contest in Leigh, organised by St Joseph's Brass Band, playing the quadrille "Jeanette", but they gave only a moderate performance. In 1885 the Band won two 1st prizes at a contest in Cadishead. Still active in the late 1890s

**Westminster Road Industrial Schools Band** - Kirkdale, Lancashire

See: *Kirkdale Industrial Ragged School Brass Band*

**Westoe (STHCT) Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Westoe Brass Band*

**Westoe Brass Band** - Durham

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Tyne Dock Temperance Band (1890-1911), Harton Colliery Band, Harton and Westoe Colliery Band, Westoe Colliery Band (1985), Westoe (STHCT) Band (1993-2006) - Note: In 1911 Harton Colliery adopted the players of the Tyne Dock Temperance Band to form Harton Colliery Band. It became one of the finest bands in the country and won the British Open in 1919, the first colliery band to do so. It maintained its leading position for 25 years. until, in 1984, the miner's strike helped to precipitate its downfall and at one time the strike brought down the number in the band to only three and local school children were recruited to keep the practices going. Previously the Westoe colliery had re-opened and as the Harton and Westoe Colliery Band it continued until 1968 when, with the closure of Harton Colliery, it dropped the name Harton from its title. The end of the band was feared when the Westoe Colliery closed in 1991 but the determination of its members kept it going until 1993 when the South Tyneside Health Care Trust came to its rescue as a sponsor by

providing rehearsal facilities for them, and they in turn provided fund-raising concerts for the benefit of hospital patients.

**Westoe Colliery Band** - Durham

[previous name of current band] See: *Westoe Brass Band*

**Weston (Bath) Brass** - Somerset

Active in the 1920s to the 1960s.

**Weston All Saints Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Formed in 1921 by W.J. Bray, who was their conductor for many years (probably until the mid 1930s). Still active at the start of WW2

**Weston Brass** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1963 - Former names: Weston Silver Band, Weston Concert Band (to 1994) - Note: Weston-Super-Mare

**Weston Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

See: *Weston (Bath) Brass*

**Weston Brass Band** - near Shavington, Cheshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Played at local garden parties. John Capper and his family were key members.

**Weston Brass Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire

Active around 1900

**Weston Brass Band** - Weston Favell, Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s, conductor D. Law

**Weston Brass Band** - Weston under Penyard, Herefordshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor S. Jackson.

**Weston Brass Band** - Weston-Super-Mare, Somerset

Active in the 1850s

**Weston Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the early 1860s (near Welford). Still active in 1868

**Weston Methodist Brass Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Weston Mission Brass Band** - Bath, Somerset

Formed in 1882. Still active in 1926

**Weston Point Salt Union Band** - Runcorn, Cheshire

Active in the 1900s and 1910s. Conductor G. Robinson in 1902

**Weston Point Works Band**

See: *Weston Point Salt Union Band*

**Weston Turville Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1880s to the 1920s. Conductor C. Axtell in 1891, W.T. Bishop in 1893-1910. Still active in 1923

**Weston Turville Temperance Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1898

**Weston Wesleyan Brass Band** - Weston, Runcorn, Cheshire

Active in the 1860s, and at least until after WW1 when the band took part in the Runcorn Festival which was held to raise funds for the hospital.

**Weston Wesleyan School Band**

See: *Weston Wesleyan Brass Band*

**Westoning Brass Band** - Bedfordshire

Active in the 1890s

- Weston-sub-Edge Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1870s, conductor Mr Court.
- Weston-Super-Mare Blue Cord Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1880s and 1890s
- Weston-Super-Mare Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1864
- Weston-Super-Mare British Legion Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1950s
- Weston-Super-Mare Rifles Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in the 1860s
- Weston-Super-Mare St John Ambulance Band** - Somerset  
Active in the late 1940s
- Westonzoyland Brass Band** - Somerset  
Active in 1864, conductor Charles Cheen. Still active in 1868
- Westow Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1858
- Westside Town Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Formed in the 1890s
- Westwood Brass Band** - Durham  
Active in the 1890s to 1910s
- Westwood Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1895 and 1896. Conductor Mr Sansom. The band may have been connected to the Westwood National School.
- Westwood Colliery Band** - Durham  
Active in 1910s to 1930s
- Wetherby and District Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1878 - Former names: Wetherby Brass Band, Wetherby Silver Band
- Wetherby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wetherby & District Silver Band*
- Wetherby Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1855. A successor band (the current Wetherby Band) was formed in 1878
- Wetherby Silver Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wetherby & District Silver Band*
- Wetley Rocks Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1866, 1867
- Wetton Band** - Derbyshire  
Active before 1900
- Wetwang Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1860
- Weymann's Works Band**  
See: *Woking Brass Band*
- Weymouth Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1860s
- Weymouth Concert Brass** - Dorset  
[current band] - Founded in 1985

**Weymouth Military Band**

See: *Wyke Regis Silver Band*

**Weymouth Town Brass Band - Dorset**

Active in the 1950s to 1970s. Also known as Weymouth Silver Band. A successor band was formed in 1985.

**Weymouth's Brass Band - Somerset**

See: *Brislington Brass Band*

**Whaddon Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active in 1866, 1889

**Whaley Bridge Band - Derbyshire**

Founded in 1865. Also known as Whaley Brass Band, Whaley Bridge Volunteer Band, Whaley Bridge Public Band. Amalgamated in 2002 with Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Brass Band to form High Peak Brass Band

**Whalley and Billington Brass Band - Lancashire**

See: *Whalley Brass Band*

**Whalley Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. J.T. Peters was conductor in 1881, J.E. Birtwell in 1887 and 1894, Mr Chamberlain in 1906

**Whaplode Drove Brass Band - Lincolnshire**

Active from the early 1900s to 1913. Conductor Mr Beagles in 1905

**Wharfedale Brass Band - near Otley, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1875

**Wharnccliffe Silkstone Colliery Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

[previous name of current band] See: *Rockingham Band*

**Wharnccliffe Woodmoor Colliery Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from 1919 to 1929

**Whatstandwell Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1890s to the 1920s. Conductor Thomas Flint in 1924. Known as Whatstandwell United Silver Band after WW1

**Whatstandwell United Silver Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Whatstandwell Brass Band*

**Wheal Vor Brass Band - Breage, Cornwall**

Active in 1858. Wheal Vor was a tin mine about a mile from Breage

**Wheatley and Milton Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in 1848 and 1850

**Wheatley Brass Band - Oxfordshire**

Active in 1864 to 1894

**Wheatley Hill and District Band - Durham**

See: *Wheatley Hill Colliery Band*

**Wheatley Hill Colliery Band - Durham**

Formed in the 1890s. Conductor Mr Carlton in 1894. Robert Walker was the bandmaster in the 1920s and received an ebony and silver baton from the Wheatley Hill Workmans Social Club in 1922. "As with other mining villages, Wheatley Hill has a Brass Band, which was formed as far back as the year 1900. An amusing incident concerning the band is the tale of its drum being in prison. It was in the early 1900's. The band was playing away somewhere, some of the bandsmen had too much to drink and the drummer and drum got separated. The drum landed up at Thornley Police Station for



the night. On another occasion the band went to the Durham Miner' Gala and the drummer lost his drumsticks. As the band could not begin its march home without a drummer, someone suggested using a beer bottle, so thanks to a beer bottle the band played its way out of Durham City and back home." 1968 - "Although the pit officially closes today, the Lodge banner has not been laid up. Tomorrow with the Wheatley Hill Miners' Lodge Band, it will head the procession at the Easington Divisional Labour Party May Day demonstration." The band folded in the late 1960s

#### **Wheel Brass Band**

Active in 1859, conductor Mr Cauwood, competed in a contest at Newcastle in June 1859.

#### **Wheelock Heath Brass Band - Cheshire**

Active in the 1870s to 1910s. Conductor J. Platt in 1876

#### **Whetstone Brass Band - Leicestershire**

Active in the 1920s to WW2.

#### **Whickham Brass Band (1) - Durham**

Active in 1859. In 1860 it headed a parade for the unveiling of a monument to John English

#### **Whickham Brass Band (2) - Durham**

Formed in the 1900s. "On Saturday July 18th 1914 the Swalwell Co-op celebrated its Jubilee in Axwell Park. A procession from the village headed by Whickham Brass Band started the proceedings at 2.30pm. Tea was provided and various games were played." Probably disbanded in the 1930s

#### **Whickham Colliery Band**

See: *Whickham Brass Band*

#### **Whifflet Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

See: *Whifflet Mission Brass Band*

#### **Whifflet Mission Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1900s. Linked to the Hallelujah Mission in Whifflet

#### **Whins of Milton and Newhouse Brass Band - Stirlingshire**

See: *Whins of Milton Brass Band*

#### **Whins of Milton Brass Band - Stirlingshire**

Active in the 1850s to 1915. Conductor Archibald Forrest Jenkins in 1879

#### **Whiston Brass Band - Staffordshire**

Active in the 1870s

#### **Whiston Brass Band (1) - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active from 1864 to the 1900s. A successor band (Whiston Lonsdale Brass) was formed in 1984

#### **Whiston Brass Band (2)**

See: *Whiston Lonsdale Brass*

#### **Whiston Lonsdale Brass - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Formed in 1984, amalgamated with the Rotherham Town Band in 1989

#### **Whiston School Silver Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1960s

#### **Whit Lane Brass Band - Pendleton, Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s through to the 1940s. In the 1910s it played in various parks in Salford (Ordsall Park, Peel Park, Albert Park, Claremont Park, Mandley Park and Buile Hill Park). In June 1922, conducted by Mr S Westwood, it took part in a musical festival in aid

of Salford Royal Hospital, which attracted some 30,000 people to the Castle Irwell Racecourse.

**Whit Lane Primitive Methodist Band**

See: *Whit Lane Brass Band*

**Whitbread Castle Eden Band - Durham**

Active in the 1980s

**Whitburn Band - West Lothian**

[previous name of current band] See: *Exchange Communications Whitburn Band*

**Whitburn Brass Band - Durham**

Active in 1868

**Whitburn Burgh Band - West Lothian**

[previous name of current band] See: *Exchange Communications Whitburn Band*

**Whitburn Colliery Band - Durham**

Formed in the 1890s but folded in the early 1900s

**Whitburn Miners Welfare Band - West Lothian**

[previous name of current band] See: *Exchange Communications Whitburn Band*

**Whitburn Public Silver Band - West Lothian**

Active in the 1900s. Reported, in 1919, that the band had been wound up.

**Whitburn Silver Band - West Lothian**

See: *Whitburn Public Silver Band*

**Whitburn Town Band - West Lothian**

[previous name of current band] See: *Exchange Communications Whitburn Band*

**Whitby Amateur Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Formed in 1851. Active into the 1860s. Conductor W. Mercer in 1860

**Whitby Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

See: *Whitby Amateur Brass Band*

**Whitby Cliff Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

See: *Whitby West Cliff Brass Band*

**Whitby Naval Brigade Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Hebborn in 1904

**Whitby North Eastern Railway Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Ainsley in 1904

**Whitby Operatic Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in 1895, secretary Richard Lyth.

**Whitby Volunteers Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1880s

**Whitby West Cliff Brass Band - Yorkshire (North Riding)**

Active in the 1850s to the 1880s, conductor J. Speedy in the 1850s, and H. Barraclough in the 1880s.

**Whitchurch Brass Band - Buckinghamshire**

Active from 1859 to the 1900s. Conductor John Impey in the 1890s

**Whitchurch Brass Band - Dorset**

See: *Winterbourne Whitechurch Brass Band*

**Whitchurch Brass Band - Glamorgan**

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*

**Whitchurch Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1890s to WW1

**Whitchurch Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s. Conductor L. Cook in 1907

**Whitchurch Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active from the 1840s to 1895. Conductor Mr Blagg in 1859, Mr Rogers in 1882. A successor band was formed in 1973

**Whitchurch Teetotal Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Whitchurch Temperance Brass Band*

**Whitchurch Temperance Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the early 1860s

**Whitchurch Town Band** - Shropshire

[current band] - Founded in 1973

**Whitchurch Wesleyan Mission Band** - Somerset

[no information]

**White and Brothers' Brass Band** - Swanscombe, Kent

See: *Messrs J.B. White and Brothers' Brass Band*

**White Hart Brass Band** - Tingewick,

See: *Tingewick Brass Band (2)*

**White Leas Brass Band** - Roddymoor, Durham

See: *White Leas Colliery Brass Band*

**White Leas Colliery Brass Band** - Roddymoor, Durham

Active in the 1870s. Some of its members took Christopher Smith to court to recover 10 guineas, the cost of a drum, which was broken by his horse and cart running away, citing negligence. The judge, however, ruled that the band were negligent in carrying banners on the public highway.

**Whitechapel Division Police Brass Band** - Middlesex

See: *H Division Police Brass Band*

**Whitechapel Industrial School Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in 1861 to 1868. The school was located in Forest Lane

**Whitechurch Brass Band** - Dorset

See: *Winterbourne Whitechurch Brass Band*

**Whitechurch Temperance Brass Band** - Winterbourne Whitechurch, Dorset

Active in 1867

**Whitefield Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Whitefield Original Band** - Lancashire

See: *Whitefield Brass Band*

**Whitehaven Artillery Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1890s to 1910s

**Whitehaven Borough Prize Band** - Cumberland

[previous name of current band] See: *Whitehaven Brass Band*

**Whitehaven Brass Band** - Cumberland

[current band] - Founded in 1856 - Former names: Blacks Band amalgamated with Whitehaven Public Band and Whitehaven Miners Band. Whitehaven Borough Prize Band, Copeland Borough Band (1974-1993)

**Whitehaven Grammar School Brass Band** - Cumberland

Active in the 1970s

- Whitehaven Miners' Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Founded in 1857, conductor Mr Hunt
- Whitehaven Public Band** - Cumberland  
[previous name of current band] See: *Whitehaven Brass Band*
- Whitehaven Recreation Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s
- Whitehaven Rifles Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1870s to 1890s
- Whitehaven Volunteers Band** - Cumberland  
See: *Whitehaven Rifles Brass Band*
- Whitehawk County Secondary School Brass Band** - Sussex  
Active in the 1970s
- Whitehouse Street Mission Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire  
[no information]
- Whiteparish Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in the 1850s to the 1900s, conductor S. Chalk in 1851.
- Whiterigg Brass Band** - Roxburghshire  
Active in 1899
- White's Cement Works Brass Band** - Swanscombe, Kent  
See: *Messrs J.B. White and Brothers' Brass Band*
- Whiteshill and Ruscombe Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Ruscombe and Whiteshill Brass Band*
- Whiteshill Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
See: *Ruscombe and Whiteshill Brass Band*
- Whitestone Brass Band** - Devon  
Active in 1891, conductor Mr Vinnicombe
- Whiteway Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1861
- Whitewell Vale Brass Band** - Waterfoot, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s to 1910s. Conductor T.H. Hoyle in 1897
- Whitfield Brass Band** - Glossop, Derbyshire  
Active from 1860 to the 1890s. Secretary (and drummer) Peter Leatherbarrow in 1876, when he died suddenly aged 22.
- Whitfield Colliery Prize Band** - Audley, Staffordshire  
Active in 1924
- Whitham and Porritt's Brass Band**  
See: *Messrs Porritt and Witham's Brass Band*
- Whittington Brass Band** - Norfolk  
Active in 1899
- Whitley Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1870s
- Whitley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Whitley Lower Brass Band*
- Whitley Bridge Subscription Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1940s and early 1950s
- Whitley Lower Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1880s to the 1920s

**Whitley's Brass Band**

See: *Bramley Brass Band*

**Whitstable Bay Boy Scouts Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1920s and the 1950s

**Whitstable Boy Scouts Band**

See: *Whitstable Bay Boy Scouts Brass Band*

**Whitstable Brass - Kent**

[current band] - Founded in 1977

**Whitstable Brass Band (1) - Kent**

Active in 1863, folded prior to October 1867 when a successor band was formed.

**Whitstable Brass Band (2) - Kent**

Formed in October 1867, conductor Mr Wyver. Still active in 1878, folded prior to 1880 when a successor band was formed.

**Whitstable Brass Band (3) - Kent**

Formed in 1880 by Sibert Saunders (who also opened the first bank in Whitstable). Bandmaster Harry Charles Wood in 1911 (who had been in that role for twenty years), W. Robinson in 1914. The band disbanded in 1914. In 1916 F.N. Headicar advertised in the local press requesting: "All persons having instruments belonging to the Whitstable Brass Band, to give them up as soon as possible." A successor band was formed in 1977

**Whitstable Church Schools' Brass Band - Kent****Whitstable Town Band - Kent**

Founded in 1867. Active to the 1920s. Bandmaster G. Wyver in 1895, Mr Ougham in 1897, H. Wood in 1900, Tom Norris in 1908. Was weakened by WW1 and disbanded in the early 1920s. E.J. Hopkins was treasurer for 19 years in its latter days. He stated, in 1922, that "there has only been one Whitstable Town Band, although several others, both brass and military, have been formed at various times, but none lasting very long."

**Whittingham Asylum Brass Band - near Preston, Lancashire**

Active in the 1890s

**Whittington Brass Band - near Kinver, Staffordshire**

Active in 1861

**Whittington Brass Band - near Lichfield, Staffordshire**

Active from the mid-1870s to the late 1900s. Conductor T. Langton in 1878-1887, H. Langton in 1892-1908

**Whittington Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Old Whittington Brass Band*

**Whittington Moor Brass Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Sheepbridge and Whittington Moor Brass Band*

**Whittington Resolution Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1869

**Whittle Brass Band - Whittle-le-Woods, Lancashire**

Active in 1863

**Whittlesea Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

See: *Whittlesey Brass Band*

**Whittlesea Town Band - Cambridgeshire**

See: *Whittlesey Brass Band*

**Whittlesey Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1854, conductor Thomas Baker in 1856. Re-organised in 1860. Active through to the 1900s. Bandmaster O. Pentelow and conductor W.J.D. Trengrove in 1904. In January 1861 there was a grand skating match on "our Wash" at Whittlesey, with some 3,000 people on the ice at one time. The band played on the ice for the competitors.

Known as Whittlesea Town Band in the 1900s

**Whittlesey King's Dyke Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Active in the 1890s to 1930s

**Whitwell and Company Brass Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham

Active from 1877 to the 1890s. Conductor in 1895 was J.C. Coatesworth

**Whitwell Brass Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in 1900 - Former names: Old Whitwell Village Band, Whitwell Temperance Band, Whitwell Colliery Band, Whitwell Colliery Miners Welfare Band -

Note: A brass band was first known in the village in the 1860s. During the 1920's the British Legion Band was formed with headquarters at the George Inn. The Whitwell Silver Prize Band followed, supported by the Colliery and conducted by Mr. Waiters until about 1936. The band was reformed under conductor Mr. West, at the Middle Club and in 1950, under the CISWO, moved to the Miner's Welfare with conductors J. Harrison and J. Bright. Early in the 1960's the band was reformed under Wilf Wheatley and the present conductor, Dennis Wheatley, took over in 1970.

**Whitwell Brass Band (1)** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1860s to WW1. Also known as Whitwell Temperance Band at some time.

**Whitwell Brass Band (2)** - Derbyshire

Formed in the mid-1920s, supported by the Colliery and conducted by Mr. Waiters until about 1936. Also known as Whitwell Colliery Brass Band. A successor band was formed around 1946.

**Whitwell Brass Band (3)** - Derbyshire

Reformed in 1946 under conductor Mr. West, at the Middle Club and in 1950, under the CISWO, moved to the Miner's Welfare with conductors J. Harrison and J. Bright. Folded around 1963. A successor band (the current Whitwell Band) was reformed in the mid-1960s under Wilf Wheatley.

**Whitwell British Legion Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1920s and early 1930s - headquarters at the George Inn

**Whitwell Colliery Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Whitwell Brass Band*

**Whitwell Colliery Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Whitwell Brass Band (2)*

**Whitwell Colliery Miners Welfare Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Whitwell Brass Band*

**Whitwell Colliery Miners Welfare Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Whitwell Brass Band (2)*

**Whitwell Temperance Band** - Derbyshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Whitwell Brass Band*

**Whitwell Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Whitwell Brass Band (1)*

**Whitwell United Temperance Brass Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Whitwell Brass Band (1)*

**Whitwick Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the early 1870s to the 1880s. Conductor T. Clay in 1879, A.B. Needham in 1885

**Whitwick Catholic Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1890s

**Whitwick Colliery Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active from the 1860s to the 1890s. Conductor Thomas Rolfe Cosgrove in 1866, T. Clay in 1889

**Whitwick Holy Cross Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1910s

**Whitwood Colliery Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to the 1920s

**Whitworth and Binchester Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the mid-1900s

**Whitworth Brass Band** - Spennymoor, Durham

Active in 1868, conductor T. Woods. It became Spennymoor Brass Band when the town of Spennymoor absorbed Whitworth. Conductor Thomas Snowdon in 1885. It became a Volunteer Band during the Boer War, and borrowed money from a local brewery in 1913 to purchase a new set of instruments, changing its name to the Spennymoor Silver Model Band. In 1926 monies were still owed to the brewery and, the band being down to eleven players, it was decided to allow woodwind players to join, and they became the Whitworth and Spennymoor Military Band. It did not take long for the debt to the brewery to be paid off and, as more brass players joined, the woodwind players left to do dance band and orchestral work, leaving the band all brass once more. After World War Two the band started contesting as the Spennymoor Silver Prize Band. It gained sponsorship in 1975, becoming Camerons Silver Prize Band, but the sponsorship was withdrawn after three years and the band folded in 1978. A successor band, Spennymoor Town Band, was formed in 1982. Another account states: "In the early 1870s the Whitworth Brass Band was formed, and the principal players were the members of the Raine family. Several of them became famous Band Conductors in various parts of the North of England. One year Whitworth Band entered 41 contests, winning 16, being second 13 times, and third 7 times. The late Tom Snowdon conducted this Band for many years. Before this he was appointed Conductor of the Tudhoe Colliery Band when he was only 18 years of age. Mr. Snowdon led the Band on to several notable musical victories in North Country contests. He worked in the mine at Tudhoe and at Dean Bank until an advanced age, and died in his 79th year shortly after celebrating his Golden Wedding. Mr. John Mutton, another famous bandsman, conducted the local Temperance Band for over 40 years, during which period they won many contests."

**Whitworth Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1856, playing its first concert on Brown Wardle Hill.

**Whitworth Church Institute Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Whitworth Colliery Band**

See: *Whitworth Park Colliery Band*

**Whitworth New Model Brass Band** - Spennymoor, Durham

Active in the 1850s. Conductor W. Lathern in 1859

**Whitworth Parish Church Institute Brass Band**

See: *Whitworth Church Institute Brass Band*

**Whitworth Park Band**

See: *Whitworth Park Colliery Band*

**Whitworth Park Colliery Band** - Spennymoor, Durham

Active in the 1840s to the 1880s. Conductor Mr Bluett in 1859

**Whitworth Scouts Band** - Spennymoor, Durham

[no information]

**Whitworth Vale and Healey Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Note: Healey Hall Band, which became defunct in 1884, amalgamated with the Whitworth Vale Band shortly afterwards to form the current band.

**Whitworth Vale Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1853. Amalgamated with the Healey Hall Band in 1884 to form the current Whitworth Vale and Healey Band

**Whitworth Veterans Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Note: Made up of ex Whitworth Vale and Healey Band players and friends - meets only once a month between September and March and holds its annual concert in February.

**Whixall Brass Band** - Shropshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Conductor Mr Maddocks in 1904

**Whorlton Brass Band** - Yorkshire, North Riding

Active in 1905

**Whyteleafe Mission Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Whyteleafe Village Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to 1939

**Wibsey Brass and Reed Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Wibsey Brass Band*

**Wibsey Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in the 1970s - Former names: Wibsey Brass and Reed Band

**Wick Brass Band** - Caithness

Active in 1868

**Wick Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Wyck Rissington Brass Band*

**Wicken Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

See: *Wicken Wesleyan Brass Band*

**Wicken Coronation Band** - Cambridgeshire

[current band] - Founded in 1911

**Wicken Wesleyan Brass Band** - Cambridgeshire

Formed in 1869, it was disbanded in 1885. A successor band was formed in 1911.

**Wickersley Brass Band** - near Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1862, 1885

**Wickham Brass Band** - Berkshire

See: *Welford and District Band*

**Wicklewood Enterprise Band** - Norfolk

Active in 1904



**Widcombe Parochial Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1900s. In 1908 it went on strike because the vicar would not sanction dividing the Christmas money collected among the members. They bought new instruments in 1906.

**Widdington Brass Band (1)** - Essex

Active in the 1880s, folded prior to 1909 when a successor band was formed.

**Widdington Brass Band (2)** - Essex

Formed around 1909 by Rev. J.W. Court, and lasted through to WW2. For further details see "Widdington Brass Band" at [www.ibew.co.uk](http://www.ibew.co.uk)

**Widdrington Colliery Brass Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1877, conductor James Mordue, secretary Joseph Thompson

**Widnes Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s

**Widnes Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Widnes Subscription Brass Band*

**Widnes C. of E. Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1883, conductor James Ainsworth, became Widnes Jubilee Temperance Band in 1887

**Widnes Jubilee Temperance Band** - Lancashire

See: *Widnes C. of E. Temperance Band*

**Widnes Soap Works Band** - Lancashire

See: *Gossages Soap Works Band*

**Widnes St Mary's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor J.J. Brady in 1895

**Widnes St Mary's Young Men's Society Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Widnes St Mary's Brass Band*

**Widnes Star of Temperance Brass Band** - Lancashire

Report of the Penketh Methodist Church School in 1880: "For many years the Good Friday Tea Meeting was a great day in the School's year. Its origin is interesting. It had become the custom for a fair to be held at Fiddler's Ferry on that day and crowds came by train from Widnes and Warrington to enjoy a day in the country. The affair usually ended in alcoholic disorder and riot. It was, of course, a great attraction to the youth of the village and non-conformist consciences were deeply troubled. In 1880, in an attempt to provide a counter attraction, the first Tea Meeting was held. The Star of Temperance Brass Band from Widnes paraded through the village beforehand to publicise it, and played at the Penketh Methodist Church School during the evening." Active to 1883 at least.

**Widnes Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to the 1930s

**Widnes Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the early 1890s

**Wigan and District Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1960s to the 1990s

**Wigan Borough Brass Band** - Lancashire

Founded in the early 1880s. Active through to the 1900s, also in the 1940s

**Wigan Boys Club Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**Wigan Brass Band** - Lancashire

See: *Wigan Harmonic Brass Band*

**Wigan British Legion Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s to the 1940s

**Wigan Harmonic Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1840s to the late 1860s. Conductor William James, leader H. Heylen in 1860.

**Wigan Mission Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1905

**Wigan Old Borough Band** - Lancashire

See: *Wigan Borough Brass Band*

**Wigan Rifles Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Pemberton Old Wigan Band*

**Wigan Rifles Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1860s to the 1900s

**Wigan Schools Band** - Lancashire

See: *Metropolitan Borough of Wigan Schools Brass Band*

**Wigan St Catherine's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Alfred Wallace in 1903. The church supported a boys' brigade band in the 1940s

**Wigan St Patrick's Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Conductor James Farrimond in 1902

**Wigan Temperance Band** - Lancashire

Founded in 1907, conductor James Farrimond. Folded in 1908.

**Wigan Youth Brass Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1998

**Wiggenhall Silver Band**

See: *Wiggenhall United Brass Band*

**Wiggenhall St Germans Band**

See: *Wiggenhall United Brass Band*

**Wiggenhall United Brass Band** - Wiggenhall St Germans, Norfolk

Active pre-WW1 in 1910-1913. However, it was reported to have been formed in 1919 by Rayner Dent. He trained this small village band to such a high standard that one year they won first prize at the band contest, which was an annual event organised by the East Anglian Brass Band Association. On Sunday evenings, weather permitting, the band would stand in a half-circle, in the village centre, in front of the pub. People would assemble on the grass of the river bank and enjoy the music of Gilbert and Sullivan or maybe Noel Coward or Cole Porter. The band also provided the music at the annual garden fete, held in the grounds of the vicarage where competitions took place, such as cork stabbing, guessing the weight of the pig and hoop-la etc. Rayner Dent's day-time job, in the Summer at least, was as a mole-catcher and, because he always wore a collar and tie, he was known as "The Gentleman Mole Catcher". By the 1930s the band had adopted the name Wiggenhall Silver Prize Band. A postcard exists, dated September 30th 1912, showing the Wiggenhall United Brass Band.

**Wigginton Brass Band** - Hertfordshire

Active in the 1920s

**Wight Brass** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

[current band] - Founded in 2009

- Wigmore School Brass Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire  
Active in 1892 to 1910. Conductor Mr Courbourn in 1907. Based at the Wigmore District School, Pennyhill Lane, Charlemont, it catered for pauper children to keep them out of the workhouses.
- Wigston Adult School Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1900s
- Wigston Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
[current band] - Founded in the 1890s - Former names: Wigston Wesleyan Mission Band, Wigston Temperance Silver Prize Band (from 1902 to the 1980s)
- Wigston Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1860s to the 1890s. The current Wigston Band started life as Wigston Wesleyan Mission Band in the early 1890s.
- Wigston Excelsior Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in 1894
- Wigston Institute Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
See: *Wigston Working Men's Club Brass Band*
- Wigston Temperance Silver Prize Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wigston Brass Band*
- Wigston United Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the late 1880s to 1911. Conductor A. Boulter in 1890, S. Matthews in 1891, A. Boulter in 1898
- Wigston Wesleyan Mission Band** - Leicestershire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wigston Brass Band*
- Wigston Working Men's Club Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active in the 1880s to 1900s
- Wigton Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the mid-1860s to 1867
- Wigton Foresters' Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1850s
- Wigton Town Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1880s, conductor John Pearson in 1886
- Wigtown Brass Band** - Wigtownshire  
Active in the 1900s through to WW1
- Wigtown Burgh Band** - Wigtownshire  
Active in 1925
- Wilberforce High School Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1970s
- Wilberforce Mission Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1886, bandmaster Mr Mowforth
- Wilford Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in 1853 to 1860. Conductor Mr Shimmels in 1855. Also known as South Notts Yeomanry Band
- Wilfreda Beehive Hatfield Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Hatfield Colliery Band*
- Willans and Robinson Works Band** - Rugby, Warwickshire  
Active around 1910

**Willenhall Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Willenhall Britannia Brass Band*

**Willenhall Britannia Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active from 1860 to the 1880s

**Willenhall Prize Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Willenhall Town Band*

**Willenhall Silver Prize Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Willenhall Town Band*

**Willenhall Temperance Band** - Staffordshire

Formed around 1880, changed its name in 1897 to Willenhall Temperance Prize Band, following success in local Band competitions. Possibly merged with the Willenhall Silver Prize Band at some time. In a photograph of them, taken in 1880 on the Isle of Man, the names of some of the members were:

Page, Sidebottom, Dunton, Lawrence, Bailey, Summerfield (4), Roberts (2), Proffit, Jolborn, E.J. Read, G. Read, Aston, Wolverson and Worthington. The band also performed in the Market Place, Willenhall on Christmas Eve 1885.

**Willenhall Templars Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Willenhall Temperance Band*

**Willenhall Town Band** - Staffordshire

Formed in the 1880s, changed its name by 1894 to Willenhall Silver Prize Band, following success in local Band competitions. Conductor A. Fisher in 1899, James Roberts in 1906. The Band continued to function well into the 1960's and practiced from their band room in Gomer Street until it was demolished when the area was cleared to make way for new development. Possibly merged with the Willenhall Temperance Band at some time.

**Willenhall Volunteer Rifle Corps Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s

**Willesden Junction Brass Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor E. Brophy in 1906. The Willesden Junction LMS Railway Steam Shed (Silver) Prize Band was engaged to play in Gladstone Park for £100 for the 1930 season. This was repeated in 1931, but the Council were concerned that in the depression as many unemployed musicians should be employed as possible, and the engagement went to the British Professional Military Band in 1933. It was known as Willesden Junction Town Band in the early 1920s, then Willesden Town Band and Willesden Borough Band in the later 1920s.

**Willesden Junction LMS Railway Steam Shed (Silver) Prize Band**

Founded in 1907

**Willesdon Borough Band**

See: *Willesden Junction Brass Band*

**Willesdon Brass Band** - Middlesex

From the News of the World, 12th September 1886: Railway Servants' Fete and Gala - Yesterday afternoon, the first annual fete and gala of the Metropolitan Railway Company's employees was held in a field near the Metropolitan Railway Station at Harrow, lent by Mr Atkins. The entertainments comprised an Old English Fair, athletic sports and a firework display. The Metropolitan Brass Band and the Willesdon Brass Band played selections of music. There was a large attendance.

**Willesdon Town Band**

See: *Willesden Junction Brass Band*

### **Willey and Company Brass Band** - Exeter, Devon

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Shobrooke in 1903. Willey and Company was an engineering works, primarily manufacturing gas meters for the whole country, but also munitions and equipment in both world wars.

### **William Davis Construction Group Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1863 as the Snibston Colliery Band, later known as the Coalville Ebenezer Band, Ebenezer Chapel Band, Coalville Coronation Band, and Snibston Colliery Silver Prize Band from 1924. In 1970 it became sponsored by the Loughborough based building firm, William Davis Construction Group. From this time the band were permanently in the Championship Section and a regular competitor at the Open, National and All England Masters. The band were runners up (to Desford Colliery) at the Midlands Area contest in 1985, 1986 and 1987, winning in 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993 and 1994. 1990 saw a 6th place finish at the Albert Hall on Odin. The band enjoyed less success at the British Open as a "mid-table" band until relegation in 1988; but the band returned after winning the Grand Shield comprehensively in 1993. Arguably the best result for the band was its 2nd place at the All England Masters in 1992, during which period the band reached the giddy heights of 12th in the Brass Band World rankings. Over this time several CDs and overseas tours were undertaken and the band enjoyed a busy concert schedule at key UK venues and were regularly guests on BBC's Listen to the Band. Hard times in the building industry led to a series of lay offs for the workforce of William Davis and the axe inevitably fell on the sponsorship of the band in 1996. The band continued unsponsored for a further year or so under the name of the Markfield Band, the village location of its band room, but failure to attract a full band led to its demise after the Midlands Area contest in 1997. During its 26 years William Davis Construction Group had five musical directors; Dr Jon Hall, Ian Bartram (1972-1975), John Berryman, Dr Keith Wilkinson, and John Hudson.

### **William Rhodes School Band**

See: *Rhodian Brass*

### **William Sutherland Total Abstinence Mission Band** - Marylebone, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. In 1908 some band members were sued for the return of their instruments (value £10 5s) as not all were then teetotal.

### **William Tarn and Co.'s Brass Band** - Newington, Surrey

Active in 1868. The firm was a department store with drapery, carpets, furnishings, furniture, etc., at Newington Causeway

### **Williams' Brass Band** - Reading, Berkshire

Active in the 1840s - linked to the Williams Ironmongery and Tin Factory.

### **Williams Fairey Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Fairey FP (Music) Band*

### **Williams Fairey Engineering Band** - Stockport, Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Fairey FP (Music) Band*

### **Williamson Street Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Hull, Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1883

### **Willingham Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1852, 1865

### **Willington Brass Band**

See: *Willington Temperance Band*

**Willington Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Sunnybrow Colliery Band*

**Willington Orchestral Silver Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s

**Willington Silver Prize Band**

See: *Willington Temperance Band*

**Willington Temperance Band** - Durham

Formed in 1860, renamed Willington Silver Prize Band in 1891, Brancepeth Colliery Band in 1922 and Brancepeth Welfare Band in 1976. Merged with Aycliffe Brass Band in 1994 to form the new Aycliffe and Brancepeth Band. "Gresford", the famous miners' anthem, was first played by the Brancepeth Colliery Band at the Durham Miners' Gala of 1938. The composer, Robert Saint, a former miner, came from Hebburn-on-Tyne, and he conducted the massed bands of 10 collieries in the Galas of 1947 and 1948.

**Willis Shoe Works Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire

Active in 1863, 1864. A works band of 18 employees from the Cinderella Shoe Works factory in Copenhagen Street, owned by Henry and John Willis (later J.F. Willis Co.)

**Willoughby Waterless Band**

See: *Willoughby Waterleys Brass Band*

**Willoughby Waterleys Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in 1892

**Willow Street Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Hackney, Middlesex

Active in 1899

**Willows Brass Band** - Kirkham, Lancashire

Active in 1861 to 1865

**Wilmington Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1859

**Wilmslow Brass Band**

See: *St Bartholomew's Brass Band*

**Wilmslow Public Subscription Band** - Cheshire

Formed after WW1 and active through the 1920s into the 1950s

**Wilmslow Silver Band** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1895

**Wilnecote Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in the 1890s to WW1. Conductor in 1899 was H. Williamson. In 1905 Frederick Titterton conducted the band at the Wilnecote Fete, during which there was a 'Band Race' - the band "toed the line and played a tune which they were supposed to continue while running. The big drummer (J. Young) would have won if he had not fallen over his drum near the winning-post, when T. Oakes, the piccolo player, went to the front. As there was plenty of time it was decided to run the race over again, and at the second attempt the drummer was given a good start so that he won rather easily. F. Sowerby, the euphonium player, was second."

**Wilnecote Victory Silver Band** - Warwickshire

Formed in 1945, active into the 1950s. Conductor A. Ball in 1947

**Wilpshire Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s to the 1920s. Conductor T. Johnson in 1900. Bandmaster George Hodgkinson in 1903

- Wilsden and District Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1910s and 1920s. In 1927 the Goit Stock Cafe and Ballroom, where the band had been playing that afternoon, was destroyed by fire, taking with it the band's instruments, value £180.
- Wilsden Boys Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s and 1940s
- Wilsden Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Wilsden Evening Institute Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the late 1940s
- Wilsden Subscription Band**  
Founded in 1909
- Wilsford Brass Band** - Lincolnshire  
Active from 1900 to WW1. George Harrison bandmaster
- Wilson Line (Hull) Band**  
See: *Thomas Wilson, Sons and Company Prize Brass Band*
- Wilson Son and Company Band**  
See: *Thomas Wilson, Sons and Company Prize Brass Band*
- Wilson Street Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in 1880
- Wilson's Brass Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[no information]
- Wilson's Dye Works Amateur Brass Band** - Hoxton, Middlesex  
Active in 1866 through to the 1880s. Also known as Hoxton Dye Works Band
- Wilson's Line Prize Band**  
See: *Thomas Wilson, Sons and Company Prize Brass Band*
- Wilton Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1849 and the 1850s
- Wilton and District Schools Band** - Wiltshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wilton and District Youth Band*
- Wilton and District Youth Band** - Wiltshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1965 - Former names: Wilton School Band (to 1970), Wilton and District Schools Band (to 1976)
- Wilton Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1852 to 1866
- Wilton Foresters' Brass Band** - Wiltshire  
Active in 1876, conductor E. Yeatman
- Wilton School Band** - Wiltshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Wilton and District Youth Band*
- Wilton Street Sunday School Band** - Denton, Lancashire  
Active in the early 1900s. Conductor Mr Fairbrother in 1901
- Wilts and Dorset (Motor Services Ltd) Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the early 1950s - did not survive long.
- Wiltshire Reformatory for Boys Band** - Warminster, Wiltshire  
Active in the early 1900s.
- Wimblebury Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1870s

**Wimblebury White Star Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1899

**Wimbledon Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners' Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in 1866

**Wimbledon Battery R.A. Army Cadet Force Band** - Surrey

Active in the late 1950s

**Wimbledon Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s and 1920s. May have been the local Salvation Army Band, which was very prominent at this time.

**Wimbledon Church Lads' Brigade Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s

**Wimborne Brass Band (1)** - Dorset

Active in the 1830s to around 1870

**Wimborne Brass Band (2)** - Dorset

Founded in 1880, W. Ward secretary. Also known as Wimborne Town Band. They obtained a new set of uniforms in 1881. Folded in 1887

**Wimborne Brass Band (3)** - Dorset

Formed in the early 1890s and active through to the 1930s. Also known as Wimborne Town Band. Link with Wimborne United Brass Band at some time?

**Wimborne Brass Band (4)** - Dorset

Active in the 1970s

**Wimborne British Legion Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1950s

**Wimborne Town Band** - Dorset

See: *Wimborne Brass Band (2)*

**Wimborne United Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1930s

**Wincanton Brass Band** - Somerset

[previous name of current band] See: *Wincanton Silver Band*

**Wincanton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1850s to the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1890 (still active today).

**Wincanton Silver Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Wincanton Brass Band - Note: Formed by a group of trustees who purchased a set of instruments for players to use. There are ancestors of these trustees in today's band. The Band has had much contesting success throughout its existence, including being West of England Champions in the 1940's. The Band regularly took part in contests at Crystal Palace and Belle View. Today's band is still very much a family orientated band, with 3 generations of one family, husband and wife partnerships and brothers amongst the members.

**Wincham Brass Band** - Cheshire

See: *Wincham Temperance Brass Band*

**Wincham Temperance Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Winchburgh and District Brass Band** - West Lothian

Active in the 1920s to the 1960s. Conducted by Richard Pritchard in the 1950s and 1960s.

**Winchburgh Public Band** - West Lothian

See: *Winchburgh and District Brass Band*



**Winchcombe Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1865 through to WW1 - it had disbanded prior to 1919.

**Winchcombe Concert Brass** - Gloucestershire

[current band] - Founded in 1984 - Former names: Winchcombe Town Band, Group 4 Winchcombe Concert Brass (1994-2000) - Note: Earlier Winchcombe Town Bands in early 20th century and also one formed in 1954

**Winchcombe Town Band** - Gloucestershire

[previous name of current band] See: *Winchcombe Concert Brass*

**Winchcombe Town Band** - Gloucestershire

Formed in January 1954. Instruments were scarce - some were donated by members of the old band, some were obtained from the Parish Church Museum! Any advertisements offering instruments were followed up and as a result a euphonium was bought from Upton-on-Severn for £5.00 together with another euphonium and Eb bass from fifteen shillings each. The latter two needed a little attention but were considered good enough to learn on. Concerts were given in Winchcombe by Cheltenham Silver Band and the Gloucester Sparkingham Trombone Quartet, the proceeds going towards Winchcombe Band funds. Engagements became quite plentiful even as early as the summer of 1954. Garden parties and fetes for the Royal British Legion, Red Cross Society, Girl Guide Association, not to mention Bredon and Stanway Flower Shows. Local Cup Finals and Armistice Parades featured also. In Cheltenham the band performed at the Rotary Torchlight Procession and the Battle of Britain Parades. Coach parties were organised to attend the National Championship Finals at the Royal Albert Hall, Mecca to all bandsmen! Band Contests were held in 1957, 1958 and 1959. These were obviously modeled on the famous Whit Friday Marches held in the Uppermill area of Lancashire. The visiting bands were judged on deportment on the march from the Anchor to the Babesmoor. Playing on the stand took place in Babesmoor. The first Bandmaster was John Innes, who left in 1958 to join Morris Motors Band. Mick Sharpe took over in December 1958. Unfortunately numbers declined and it became financially impractical for him to continue. He left in January 1960. For the next twelve to eighteen months the band still met weekly and played for their own pleasure until reduced to a quartet. Eventually they decided to disband in 1961 and all available instruments were sold. A successor band was formed in 1984

**Winchelsea Brass Band** - Sussex

Reformed on 21 Oct 1912, so there would have been an earlier band in the town.

**Winchester Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Winchester City Amateur Brass Band*

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**Winchester City Amateur Brass Band** - Hampshire

Founded in 1865, conductor William Pearce

**Winchester Diocesan Training School Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1864, conductor Mr Carter

**Winchester Police Brass Band** - Hampshire

Active in 1915

**Winchester Temperance Brass Band** - Hampshire

Founded in 1885, bandmaster H.A. Adams. Active through to the 1900s

**Winchester Training School Brass Band** - Hampshire

See: *Winchester Diocesan Training School Brass Band*

**Wincobank Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1858

**Windermere Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1850s. In 1856 it welcomed Admiral Pasley to Windermere, leading a parade for him from the station to his house, playing a few airs and partaking of refreshments on the lawn.

**Windermere Steam Yacht Company Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in 1854, 1865

**Windermere Steamers Brass Band** - Westmorland

See: *Windermere Steam Yacht Company Brass Band*

**Windermere Volunteers Brass Band** - Westmorland

Active in the 1900s

**Windlesham Band** - Surrey

Pictures of the band are held in the Surrey Heath Museum.

**Windlestone Colliery Band** - Chilton, Durham

Active in the 1910s to 1930s

**Windsor Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

See: *Windsor Institute Brass Band*

**Windsor Colliery Workmen's Silver Band** - Abertridwr, Glamorgan

Formed 1903 as Aber Valley Band, then became the Windsor Colliery Silver Band in 1917. Its original conductor was Jim Radcliffe. He was followed by Morgan Jeremiah who conducted the band at their first successful competition, at St. John's in Cardiff, winning first prize. The music performed was from *Iolanthe*. The band was also successful at the Daily Herald National Area Competition, held at Llanelli, winning the premier award in their class. Other notable members of the band included George Simms, Tom Pitten, Jack Williams, Sam and George Adams, Bill Evans, Will Davis and Fred Creece. Tudor Llewellyn played the cornet to perfection even though he had lost his hearing. Sam Jones and his son Emlyn also gave great service to the Windsor Band. Glyn, another son, was active in the band until the 1930s when he joined the Enniskillen band. Another Abertridwr family with a long association with the band was the Hazell family. Another conductor of the band at one time was Harold Laycock, the famous trombone player. The last conductor of the band was Fred Hazel. When the Windsor Colliery closed in the early 1970s, all the miners were transferred to Bedwas Colliery and the instruments followed them. They subsequently started a band which in later years became the Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen Band.

**Windsor Excelsior Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1869

**Windsor Institute Brass Band** - Salford, Lancashire

Formed in 1917 and was conducted by Mr J Dooley. Following a reformation in 1923 it was known as the Windsor Institute Silver Band, and conducted at that time by Mr Tom Eastwood. By 1927 it was being described as being one of the best in Lancashire, winning the Manchester and district amateur Brass Band Association challenge shield. Conductor Thomas Dooley worked with the band from after the war until the 1960's. It reinvented itself by training a group of children in the early 1970's to become NW champions and be invited to play at the British National Finals. The last mention of the Windsor Brass Band

is in the Manchester Evening News April 1986, and the band itself folded in the 1990s. A website, dedicated to the history of the band, can be found at [www.facebook.com/groups/184842212490/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/184842212490/)

**Windsor Salford Prize Band** - Salford, Lancashire

See: *Windsor Institute Brass Band*

**Windsor Silver Prize Band** - Salford, Lancashire

See: *Windsor Institute Brass Band*

**Windsor Temperance Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in 1864

**Windsor Volunteer Town Band** - Berkshire

active around 1890

**Windy Nook Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s, renamed Felling Colliery Silver Band some time before 1900. Active into the 1920s

**Windygates Brass Band** - Fife

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**Winewall Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1866

**Winfield Transport Band** - Walsall, Staffordshire

Active in the 1960s. Belonged to the Winfield Transport Company based at Wolverhampton Street, Walsall, which had a fleet of 112 lorries transporting coal from local pits to power stations, schools and factories

**Winfield Walsall Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Winfield Transport Band*

**Winford Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1862. Conductor Mr Smith in 1864

**Winfrith Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in 1856 to 1866

**Wing Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1863 to 1869

**Wingate Colliery Band** - Durham

See: *Wingate Grange Band*

**Wingate Grange Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1850s, associated with the Wingate Grange Colliery. Later known as Wingate Colliery Band (1891), Wingate Silver Model Band, and Wingate Colliery Band again up to the 1960s

**Wingate Silver Model Band** - Durham

See: *Wingate Grange Band*

**Wingate Sons of Temperance Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the early 1900s

**Wingates Band** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1873 - Former names: Wingates Good Templar's Band, Wingates Temperance Band, Bass Wingates (1982-1984), British Aerospace Wingates (1985-90)

**Wingates Good Templar's Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wingates Band*

**Wingates Temperance Band** - Lancashire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wingates Band*

**Wingrave Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1892

**Winkleigh Brass Band (1)** - Devon

Active from the early 1870s. Conductor Henry John Dulling in 1887, Mr Frances in 1894. Folded in 1898.

**Winkleigh Brass Band (2)** - Devon

Founded around 1900, active through to the early 1920s - playing throughout WW1. Conductor John Mitchell in 1904. In 1908 it played at the High Bickington Sports, Bandmaster Fred Dulling. Percy Mitchell, euphonium player, was aged 29 at his death in 1921.

**Winkleigh Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

Active in 1887, conducted by W. Friend

**Winlaton Brass Band** - Durham

It was formed in about 1801 and linked to the 5th Volunteer Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry. Conductor Mr Groundy in 1867. Active through to the early 1900s. "Coffee Johnny" was a long time follower of the band but does not appear to have actually played in it. At his funeral, on the 7th April 1900, his body was brought to Blaydon station to be met by the Band who marched him up the hill to St Paul's cemetery. At his request they played "When Johnny comes marching home." Coffee Johnny has almost mythical status due to his appearance in the last verse of Blaydon races. This conferred on him a sort of immortality. Yet he was a real man, who was born, married and buried in Winlaton.

**Winlaton Silver Band** - Durham

Probably formed some time after WW1, active through the 1920s into the 1930s.

**Winning Colliery Band**

See: *Blackwell and B Winning Colliery Band*

**Winnington Boy Scouts Band** - Cheshire

See: *I.C.I. (Alkali) Band*

**Winnington Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1858

**Winnington Lads' Club Band** - Cheshire

See: *I.C.I. (Alkali) Band*

**Winsford Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1860s to the 1890s

**Winsford Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1866, conductor Mr Perry

**Winsford Temperance Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1890s to the 1910s. Also known as Over and Winsford Temperance Band in its early years.

**Winsford Terriers Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1912

**Winsford Volunteer Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in 1902

**Winsford Volunteer Social Institute Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Winsham Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1860s. A successor band was formed in 1902

**Winsham Coronation Brass Band** - Somerset

Founded in 1902, its founding members having been members of the Winsham Drum and Fife Band. Conductor G. Higgins in 1904, C. Phelps in 1922. It folded in 2010

**Winslow Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in the early 1860s. Conductor in 1865 was A. Nelson. President, Dr Newham in 1866. Active into the 1870s.

**Winslow Brass Band (2)** - Buckinghamshire

See: *Winslow Town Band*

**Winslow Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1901, active through into the 1910s. Conductor G. Emerson in 1905, J. Bathe in 1907, Mr Emerson in 1909

**Winster Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Active in the 1840s into the 1880s. It folded prior to 1900.

**Winterborne Stickland Brass Band (1)** - Dorset

Active in 1871, conductor I. Elford in 1893. Disbanded sometime between 1896 and 1900.

**Winterborne Stickland Brass Band (2)** - Dorset

Founded in 1904 by Albert Pitman. Conductor J. Pitman in 1935. Still active in 1940

**Winterborne Zelston Brass Band** - Dorset

Active in the 1890s

**Winterbourne and Frampton Cotterell Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1862

**Winterbourne Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1879. In 1893 took part in a temperance procession at Frenchay. Still active in 1910

**Winterbourne Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Winterbourne Dauntsey Brass Band*

**Winterbourne Dauntsey Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1865 to 1872

**Winterbourne Down Reed and Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in 1899

**Winterbourne Temperance Brass Band** - Wiltshire

See: *Winterbourne Total Abstinence Brass Band*

**Winterbourne Total Abstinence Brass Band** - Winterbourne Dauntsey, Wiltshire

Active in 1862, conductor Samuel Barnes

**Winterbourne Whitechurch Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from 1862 to the late 1940s. Also known as Whitechurch Brass Band.

**Winterley Brass** - Cheshire

[current band] - Founded in 1938 - Former names: Winterley Methodist Brass Band

**Winterley Methodist Brass Band** - Cheshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Winterley Brass*

**Winterslow Amateur Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Formed in August 1860, bandmaster F.R. Hobbs. Still active in 1864

**Winton Brass Band (1)** - Hampshire

Active in the 1890s to the 1930s. Conductor J.H. Chapman in 1903, Mr Finch in 1908. Folded some time after 1934 - probably during WW2

**Winton Brass Band (2) - Hampshire**

See: *Winton British Legion Silver Band*

**Winton British Legion Silver Band - Hampshire**

Formed in 1925 as Southbourne Silver Band, became Bournemouth YMCA Silver Band in 1945, then Winton Brass Band in 1949. It went into decline in the 1950s and eventually amalgamated with the Bournemouth Silver Band in 1959.

**Wire Brass - Warrington, Lancashire**

Formed in 2001, rose rapidly through the sections and eventually folded in 2011, conductor Paul Andrews. Named Bactiguard Wire Brass in 2006 after sponsorship.

**Wirksworth Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1840s to the 1910s. Obtained a new set of uniforms in 1884. Conductor E.Martin in 1899.

**Wirksworth Primitive Methodist Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active in 1894

**Wirksworth Silver Prize Band - Derbyshire**

Active in the early 1960s. In 1964 it amalgamated with the Brassington and Middleton Victoria bands to form the BMW band, rehearsing at Wirksworth.

**Wirksworth United Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1880s through to the 1920s. Conductor J. Oxpring in its early years, W. Gallimore in 1902, H.B. Snow in the early 1920s.

**Wirksworth Volunteer Brass Band - Derbyshire**

Active from the 1880s through to the 1900s. Conductor B. White in the late 1880s.

**Wirral Brass - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 2010

**Wirral Brass Ensemble - Cheshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Wisbech Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Active from the mid-1830s and through to the 1940s at least. Known as Wisbech Town Band from the late 1890s

**Wisbech Oddfellows Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Founded in 1862. Its uniform was "the Garibaldian costume"

**Wisbech Rifle Corps Brass Band - Cambridgeshire**

Formed in 1864.

**Wisbech Town Band - Cambridgeshire**

See: *Wisbech Brass Band*

**Wishaw Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active from the 1860s to the 1920s. New uniforms in 1867

**Wishaw Ironworks Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

See: *Wishaw Steel Works Brass Band*

**Wishaw Rifle Volunteers Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1860s

**Wishaw Steel Works Brass Band - Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1900s to 1910s

**Wistanstow Brass Band - Shropshire**

Active in 1913 and 1937

**Witham Brass Band - Essex**

Active in the early 1860s

**Witham Metropolitan School Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1890s to 1902. Conductor W. Muskett in 1900. The school was purchased from the Witham Union Workhouse in 1882 for use as an orphan home, accommodating 200 children. It closed in 1902, converting to an asylum for children with ringworm

**Witham Poor Law School Band** - Essex

See: *Witham Metropolitan School Brass Band*

**Witham Town Band** - Essex

Active from the early 1900s to the early 1930s. It was formerly disbanded in 1936, some years after it ceased playing, its remaining funds, £10, being divided among local organisations.

**Witheridge Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1840s to WW1. Conductor in 1875 was S. Hill. It was "resuscitated" in 1884, conductor C. Parish, though there does not seem to have been a major break in its activity just prior to then. Conductor in 1892 was S. Hill, Mr Palfreymand in 1897.

**Witheridge Subscription Brass Band** - Devon

See: *Witheridge Brass Band*

**Withern Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s

**Withernsea Brass Band (1)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in December 1895. Conductor Mr Arnott in 1896. Disbanded some time before 1905, when it was reported that there were plans to resuscitate the band - this time it was proposed to run it "on pious and non-alcoholic lines". This attempt seems to have failed, the successor band not appearing until 1912

**Withernsea Brass Band (2)** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Founded in 1912, making its playing debut in December

**Withernsea Gospel Mission Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)

Active in 1932

**Withington Brass Band** - Herefordshire

Active in 1896

**Withington Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the late 1880s and early 1890s. The band received a "jubilee gift" from Mrs Richardson of Hillside, Fallowfield, of bandmaster's baton in ebony and silver.

**Withnell Fold Mill Band** - Lancashire

Active from the 1880s to the 1930s. The mill at one time boasted a Silver "Prize" Band equipped with a full set of silver instruments and a handsome uniform. They were open for engagements and were very much sought after for events such as Walking Days, Garden Parties etc. The Band Master was Mr. Joseph Hargreaves who held that position for a great number of years. Other prominent members were Albert and William Nightingale. Robert and Joseph Marsden - both machine men at the mill in those days but later to become managers of other mills in the group - Jack Jones, Joseph Miller, Fred Fairhurst, Ralph Eccles, Eddie Ambrose, Harry Jones - just to mention a few. They had a room on the mill premises for practices which were held each week, but on summer evenings they rehearsed outside, often marching up and down the road preparing for walking days etc. Mr. Hargreaves was an excellent Band Master and at the same time a very 'droll' Lancashire man. If the band were not performing as well as he thought they ought he would say "Na cum on lads, put a bit o' leet and shade in it, it's like a white washed wa'". The Band, like the Cricket team was also transported by the mill lorry

whenever playing in any of the surrounding towns, there being no other form of transport capable of carrying both men and instruments, plus some of the villagers who went along to support them, as we were all mighty proud of our Band!

**Withnell Fold Prize Band** - Lancashire

See: *Withnell Fold Mill Band*

**Witney and Burford Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in 1866

**Witney Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

Active in the late 1830s through to the 1840s. A successor band was formed in 1857

**Witney Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

Founded in 1857, conductor John Woodcock, and active through to the 1900s. Also known as Royal Witney Brass Band. Conductor J. Crawford, leader T. Clarke in 1860, A. Titcomb in 1900. Known as the 5th Oxfordshire Rifles Brass Band for a time in the 1850s/1860s, it was "newly organised" in 1866. A successor band (Witney Town Band) was formed in the 1880s.

**Witney Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1880s

**Witney Temperance Band** - Oxfordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Witney Town Band*

**Witney Temperance Brass Band** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1850 and folded around 1875.

**Witney Town Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1850 - Former names: Witney Temperance Band

**Witton Park Brass Band** - Durham

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Witton Park Ironworks Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1866, leader Mr Elgey. Bandmaster Philip White in 1875

**Witton Park Quadrille Brass Band** - Durham

Active in 1863

**Witton Temperance Band** - Durham

Active in the 1900s

**Witton Village Band** - Durham

See: *Witton-le-Wear Brass Band*

**Witton-le-Wear Brass Band** - Durham

Formed in the 1860s and folded in the 1950s. Conductor Mr Elgey in 1866

**Wiveliscombe and Milverton Rifle Corps Brass Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1865.

**Wiveliscombe Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1860s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Lewis in 1888

**Wiveliscombe Town Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in the 1900s

**Wiveliscombe Volunteer Band** - Somerset

Active in 1896, when it gave a concert in Wellington

**Wivenhoe Alexandra Brass Band** - Essex

Active in 1863, becoming Wivenhoe Town Band by the end of the century. Also known as Royal Alexandra Brass Band. It possibly folded in the early 1900s - possibly becoming



the Band of the 2nd Volunteer Battery Essex Regiment. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**Wivenhoe Brass Band** - Essex

See: *Wivenhoe Alexandra Band*

**Wivenhoe Town Band** - Essex

See: *Wivenhoe Alexandra Band*

**Wivenhoe Wesley Guild Band** - Essex

Formed in 1907, disbanded at the outbreak of war in 1914. For more details, see "Grandad Played The Cornet: A History of Brass Bands in North East Essex", by David Cawdell.

**WL Marriner's Private Brass Band**

See: *Marriner's Band*

**Woburn Sands Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1885

**Woking Brass Band** - Surrey

Formed in 1892 as Chertsey Town Band. Later became Chertsey Town Silver Prize Band. In September 1942 it merged with Addlestone Temperance Band and became attached to the Weymanns Coach Works, near the railway station at Addlestone, Surrey, not far from Chertsey. It was called Weymann's Works Band. Weymanns built bodies for London Transport buses, charabanc and coach bodies, and made very fine lightweight fabric bodies for Bentleys and similar prestige cars. The band and the coachworks were still active in the early 1960's, but the works closed in 1966. The band decided to continue independently and re-formed as the Chertsey and Addlestone Band. They competed in the 4th section in the late 60's and 70's, and were in the 3rd section by 1982. In 1988 they became the Genet Group Band (Chertsey) and finally Woking Brass Band in 1999, reflecting a five year agreement with the Borough of Woking. The band carried the Borough's coat of arms on its banners, wore new red, black and gold uniforms and performed a range of Borough events throughout the year. The band had a close link with the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall, Twickenham, several of whose students would play as guest members and conductors. The band dissolved in early 2005. See the book by Vic and Jean Gale - "A Brass Heritage: 100 Years of Chertsey and Alderstone Village Bands", 1993. An ex-member, Mike Sheehan, recalls that in the 1960s "we had a single token female in an otherwise all-male band. Rosie was a very presentable young woman who played Flugel (long before the release of "Brassed Off"!)." She looked a treat in the short mess-kit pattern jacket and her above-the-knee skirt ; this was, after all, the mini-skirted swinging sixties! To me as an impressionable teenager she was a goddess. "

**Wokingham All Saints Brass Band**

See: *Wokingham Amateur Brass Band*

**Wokingham Amateur Brass Band** - Berkshire

Founded in 1871, under the leadership of W. Breach. Aligned to the parishes of All Saints and St Pauls in the town. Still active in the 1910s

**Wokingham Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s

**Wokingham Town Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1890s through to the 1950s. Also known as Wokingham Town and British Legion Band in the 1930s, and Wokingham British Legion Band in the 1950s.

**Wokingham Volunteers Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1900s. Known as the 1st Volunteer Battalion Berkshire Regiment Band

**Wolborough Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1900s. In 1908 it merged with the Highweek Brass Band to form Newton Abbot Town Band

**Woldingham Band** - Surrey

Competed in the SCABA contest in Chichester in April 1927.

**Wolds Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

See: *Malton and Driffield Band*

**Wollaston Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1860s to the 1880s. Conductor W. Jones in 1865

**Wollaston Excelsior Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s through to WW1. Conductor J.K. Skinner in 1899, Andrew Reynolds in 1900, Frank Smart in 1904, F. Tyler in 1908. Renamed Wollaston Town Band after the war. In 1919 the band took over the uniforms of the Wellingborough Temperance Band, which had folded earlier during WW1. Active through to the early 1970s.

**Wollaston Town Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Wollaston Excelsior Brass Band*

**Wollaston Village Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Formed September 1881, conductor W. Lamb.

**Wollaton Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

See: *Wollaton Colliery Brass Band*

**Wollaton Colliery Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Conductor H. Toynton in 1904.

**Wolsingham Brass Band (1)** - Durham

Active from the 1830s to the 1860s. A successor band was formed in the 1880s

**Wolsingham Brass Band (2)** - Durham

Formed in the 1880. Folded in the 1960s

**Wolsingham Steel Works Band** - Durham

See: *Wolsingham Brass Band (2)*

**Wolverhampton Alliance Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1865, conductor Mr Metcalfe

**Wolverhampton Borough Band** - Staffordshire

Founded around 1904. Still active in 1912

**Wolverhampton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *City of Wolverhampton Brass Band*

**Wolverhampton Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1950s to the 1990s

**Wolverhampton British Railways Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Railway Works Band*

**Wolverhampton Excelsior Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the early 1900s

**Wolverhampton G.W.R. Institute Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Railway Works Band*

**Wolverhampton Junction Works Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Railway Works Band*

**Wolverhampton Mechanics Institute Brass Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Railway Works Band*

**Wolverhampton Railway Works Band** - Staffordshire

The G.W.R. Institute - Stafford Road Railway Works, Wolverhampton. In 1858 a brass band was formed, the Institute to provide the required musical instruments, the teacher's fees to be paid by the members themselves. By 1860 fourteen instruments had been furnished for the band. A newly constituted band, complete with a distinctive uniform was formed in 1876 and held a brass band competition at the beautifully wooded grounds of Oxley Manor. Crowds of people lined the Stafford Road to see the event and a jolly time was had by all, thanks to the benevolence of the owner of land, the M.P. Alexander Staveley Hill. After the prize giving, won by the "Kingsgrove Real Excelsior Band" the entertainments went on into the evening with "Old English pastimes", and dancing. Active through to the 1970s

**Wolverhampton Tube Works Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1850s and 1860s.

**Wolverhampton Union Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Founded in 1869 by Mr Willcock, of the boys in the union workhouse.

**Wolverhampton Victoria Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1860s. Formed by Joseph Latham and his brother, they met two nights a week at the Queen's Arms beerhouse to practise.

**Wolverhampton Victoria Operatic and Quadrille Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Victoria Brass Band*

**Wolverhampton Victoria Saxhorn Band** - Staffordshire

See: *Wolverhampton Victoria Brass Band*

**Wolverton and Stantonbury Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1866

**Wolverton Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1867, 1868. Conductor Mr Foster in 1868

**Wolverton British Railway and Town Silver Band** - Buckinghamshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wolverton Town Band*

**Wolverton Printing Works Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1890s

**Wolverton Rifle Volunteers Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. Its remaining members went on to form the current Wolverton Band in 1908

**Wolverton St Mary's Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1890s. Conductor T. Sharpe in 1892

**Wolverton Station Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1863

**Wolverton Town Band** - Buckinghamshire

[current band] - Founded in 1908 - Former names: Wolverton Town Band, Wolverton British Railway and Town Silver Band (1951-1989)

**Wolverton Wesleyan Mission Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Formed in 1887. Active in 1891

**Wolverton Works Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1869

**Wolvey Brass Band** - Warwickshire

Active in 1861

**Wombwell and Houghton United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Wombwell Temperance Band*

**Wombwell Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the mid-1860s. Conductor Mr Crossley in 1883, E. Reeves in 1895. Still active in 1909

**Wombwell British Legion Band**

See: *Wombwell Town Band*

**Wombwell Main Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1859 to 1869

**Wombwell Public Brass Band**

See: *Subscription Brass Band*

**Wombwell Subscription Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the late 1870s to the 1900s. Still active in 1909

**Wombwell Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1893. Conductor Amos Bastow in 1904. In 1906 it became Houghton Main Colliery Band, in which guise it remained active through to the 1980s. Known as Wombwell and Houghton United Brass Band during WW1, and Darfield District Band in its latter years.

**Wombwell Town Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1900s through to the 1950s. In 1912, a Besson "Prototype" BBb bass was provided by the Wombwell Reform Club for the use of the Town Band in January that year. After WW2 it linked with the British Legion and was known as Wombwell Town and British Legion Band, and Wombwell British Legion Band

**Wombwell's Brass Band**

A travelling "menagerie" band which was active from the 1840s through to WW1. Conductor J.S. Hartwell in 1858. Appeared with the "Lion Queen" at Hitchin in 1847, Loughborough in 1848, Tiverton in 1849, Aldershot in 1863 (by which time the ownership had passed to 'Edmonds', through the band remained "Wombwell's". In 1917 the show was "Bostock & Wombwell's Gigantic Combined Show" and it and the band were appearing in Aberdeen.

**Women's Land Army Brass Band** - London

Active in 1917 and 1918 - it was used to publicise and attract people to the Land Army Enquiry Bureau at 135 Victoria Street.

**Wonderbrass** - Cornwall

[current band] - Founded in 2011 - Note: Cornish women's band

**Wooburn Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in 1862

**Wood End Brass Band** - near Kingsbury, Warwickshire

Formed before 1890. Active through to the 1950s. It became associated with the town working men's club when that was formed in 1905.

**Wood End WMC Silver Band** - near Kingsbury, Warwickshire

See: *Wood End Brass Band*

**Wood End Working Men's Club and Institute Brass Band** - near Kingsbury, Warwickshire

See: *Wood End Brass Band*

**Wood Green Adult School Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s. Conductor Mr Bunting in 1907, George Williams in 1908

**Wood Green and Southgate British Legion Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1930s

**Wood Green Excelsior Band** - Middlesex

Active in the 1900s to the 1950s. Conductor Wilfred L. Dolling and secretary Harry F.A. Hayward in the 1930s

**Wood Green Federation Band** - Middlesex

Founded around 1908.

**Wood Lane Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1910s, pre-WW1, to the 1930s

**Wood Newton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

See: *Woodnewton Brass Band*

**Wood Road Brass Band** - Summerseat, Lancashire

Founded in 1902, conductor Mr Wilkinson. Still active in 1909

**Wood Street Mission Brass Band** - Manchester, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**Wood Street Union Church Mission Band** - Walthamstow, Essex

Founded in 1906. Conductor Mr Roberts in 1909

**Woodborough and Beechingstoke Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1864

**Woodborough Brass Band (1)** - Nottinghamshire

Active in the 1850s to 1863

**Woodborough Brass Band (2)** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in the early 1880's when Arthur Wylde, a talented musician, was employed at Woodborough Hall as butler and handyman to the Parkyns family. Miss Parkyns recognised his potential and sent him to train for a year at the London School of Music where he was primarily a violinist but took cornet as his second instrument. On his return to Woodborough he became a local music teacher and also formed a village band. This band finished in 1901. For further details see [www.woodborough-heritage.org.uk](http://www.woodborough-heritage.org.uk)

**Woodborough United Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire

Formed in December 1911 when Mr Charles Ernest Foster called a meeting at the Post Office and suggested that several young men of the village were in favour of reviving a village band. After 50 years of service to the village and district it disbanded in March 1962. For further details see [www.woodborough-heritage.org.uk](http://www.woodborough-heritage.org.uk)

**Woodbridge Brass Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Woodbridge Excelsior Brass Band*

**Woodbridge Chapel Brass Band** - Clerkenwell, Middlesex

Active in the 1900s

**Woodbridge Excelsior Brass Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1846 - Former names: Woodbridge Amateur Brass Band, Woodbridge Temperance Band (to 1916). Conductor F.J. Howard in 1889

**Woodbridge Temperance Band** - Suffolk

[previous name of current band] See: *Woodbridge Excelsior Brass Band*

**Woodbury Brass Band** - Devon

Active in the 1880s

**Woodchurch Brass Band - Kent**

Active from 1861. One year they were on a tour of the big houses in dense fog and played the tune "The Mistletoe Bough" in front of what they thought to be one such edifice, discovering it to be a haystack when they went to solicit alms. [Note: similar stories are told of Stinchcombe Band and Potterspury Bands!]. The band folded in the early 1930s.

**Woodcock's Well Brass Band - Mow Cop, Staffordshire**

Active in the 1890s to WW1.

**Wooden Box Band - Derbyshire**

See: *Woodville Brass Band*

**Woodfalls Concert Brass - Wiltshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1976 - Former names: Woodfalls Juniors Band

**Woodfalls Juniors Band - Wiltshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Woodfalls Concert Brass*

**Woodfalls Silver Band - Wiltshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Trains Woodfalls Band*

**Woodfalls Temperance Band - Wiltshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *South West Trains Woodfalls Band*

**Woodford Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

See: *Woodford Britannia Brass Band*

**Woodford Britannia Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in 1859 and from the 1870s to 1918. Jeremiah Holdsworth was engaged as Bandmaster in 1893. Folded for a short while in the late 1890s, but restarted again in 1899.

**Woodford Halse Brass Band - Northamptonshire**

Active in the 1920s

**Woodford Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

[current band]

**Woodford United Military Brass Band - Essex**

Records of the band, from 1890-1946, are held by Essex Record Office

**Woodgate Primitive Methodists Band - Worcestershire**

See: *Woodgate Silver Band*

**Woodgate Silver Band - Worcestershire**

Founded in 1893 at the Woodgate Methodist Chapel. The men were all nailers or nailer's sons. It later became known as the Woodgate Prize Band. The band practised in the Methodist Chapel school room in Adams Hill but when Birmetals opened (1938) they were given the use of the canteen. When WW2 started they were unable to use the premises and the band was disbanded and never started up again. The Band would go through the streets playing carols at Christmas time. One resident as a young lad recalled shaking the 'box' down at Lapal but when they got to the Crown Pub in Woodgate the box was taken off him. Another recalls the band playing on Armistice Day. As each man left the band, his instrument had to be handed back to the secretary. Some names associated with the band:- Thomas Hall, his son Harold Hall, Aaron Smith, Freddie Andrews, Ephriam Henshaw, his son Stephen Henshaw, William Riley, Will Smith, Harvey Hackett, Frank Moore, Tom Inston, John Payne, Frank Guest, Dave Moore, Thomas Inston.

**Woodhorn Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Formed in March 1950, the band folded in the late 1970s prior to the pit closing in 1981.

The instruments were passed on to the Ashington Colliery Band, which also inherited the Woodhorn Band's wooden practice hut - sadly burned down by vandals in July 2005.

**Woodhouse (Cokes) Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1880s

**Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves Total Abstinence Band** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1883

**Woodhouse Carr United Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s

**Woodhouse Perseverance Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**Woodhouse Prize Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1853 - Former names: Handsworth-Woodhouse Band, Handsworth Woodhouse Prize Band - Note: In 1896 the band headed a Druids Church Parade at Worksop. They proceeded along Bridge Place, Eastgate, Priorswell Road, Potter Street to the United Free Methodist Church. After the church service the procession continued through Bridge Street, Westgate, Norfolk Street and Newcastle Avenue to the cricket ground, where the Band gave a concert, which included such items as: March - The Roman, Selection per Astra Fideles - Mayerbeer (with cornet solo), Variations - played by Mr E.Trout, Selection "Comfort ye my people" - Handel, Selection "Kyrie & Gloria" unknown composer. It was mentioned that the band had taken part in four contests that year and had won 5 prizes. Indeed, on the previous Saturday the Handsworth Band had won 2nd prize at Pleasley in the 'selection' and Mr E.Trout won a silver medal for the best cornet player in the test piece. Much of the success of the band was attributed to the conductor Mr J.W.Coupe. There was a further parade at 5.15pm which proceeded via Bridge Place, Potter Street on to the cricket ground, where the band gave another concert. The programme included the following items: March - The Cornet, Selection - Warce - R.Smith, Selection - Lucretia Borgia - H.Round, Selection - Trill the Lark - Metcalf, Selection - Mozart - H.Round, March - George the Fire - R.Smith.

**Woodhouse Victoria Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1850s

**Woodhouses Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from 1835 to the late 1900s. Conductor Robert Kenyon from 1835 to 1871

**Woodland Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Woodland Colliery Band*

**Woodland Colliery Band** - Durham

Active from the 1870s to the 1930s. Conductor Thomas Moore in 1881

**Woodland Street School Brass Band** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

Active in 1882

**Woodlands Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

Active in 1891

**Woodlands Brass Band** - Durham

See: *Woodland Colliery Band*

**Woodlands Village Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Founded in 1909, bandmaster S. Bamford. Active to the 1920s

**Woodnewton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in 1858, 1862

**Woodplumpton Brass Band**

Mentioned in the Preston Chronicle, 17th May 1845, when they accompanied the "Amicable Society" during the Whit Tuesday Processions at Goosnargh. The earliest report of their activities is found in the Preston Pilot of the 25th May 1839 when "At Goosnargh on Tuesday the procession was headed by a colour and the Woodplumpton Band of Musicians". The band played again at Goosnargh in 1846 and in 1847 when "After dinner at the Grapes Inn came the toasts and then the proceedings were enlivened by the merry strains of the excellent Woodplumpton Band which played at intervals throughout the afternoon." The final known performance was shortly after the demise of the Society when in September 1847 at the coming of age of E. H. Stanley the celebrations by his tenants at Treales included a procession headed by the Woodplumpton Band.

**Woodside and Grandholm Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Grandholm Brass Band*

**Woodside Brass Band** - Aberdeenshire

See: *Grandholm Brass Band*

**Woodside Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in the 1880s and 1890s. Conductor E. Addis in 1892

**Woodside Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1853 when it competed in the first British Open contest, conducted by J. Settle.  
Still active in 1855

**Woodside Ironworks Brass Band** - Dudley, Staffordshire

Active in 1857

**Woodsome Brass Band** - near Highburton, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1867

**Woodspeen Brass Band** - Berkshire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**Woodstock Brass Band (1)** - Oxfordshire

Formed in 1870, W.E. Embury was the first bandmaster, with the Marquis of Blandford providing 20 instruments. Active to 1886

**Woodstock Brass Band (2)** - Oxfordshire

See: *Woodstock Town Band*

**Woodstock Town Band** - Oxfordshire

Active in the 1930s to the 1950s. James Moss was the conductor in the 1930s

**Woodville Brass Band** - Derbyshire

Founded in 1834. Originally known as the Wooden Box Band, nicknamed the Doodles Band, it was known as Woodville Orchestral Band by 1882 and Woodville United Silver Band by the 1900s. In 1905 it added "Prize" to its name in recognition of winning the Elkington, Hazelhurst and Gisborne Challenge Cup. It was still active in the 1920s

**Woodville Orchestral Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Woodville Brass Band*

**Woodville United Silver Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Woodville Brass Band*

**Woodville United Silver Prize Band** - Derbyshire

See: *Woodville Brass Band*



**Wookey Hole Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1887

**Wool Brass Band** - Dorset

Active from the early 1860s to the 1930s. Conductor Joseph Cox in 1865, Mr Langford in 1873. Bandmaster Harry W. Stevens in 1905-1931

**Wooldale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from the early 1860s to the 1900s. Conductor John Brook in 1885, F. Renshaw in 1894

**Wooler Band** - Northumberland

Active in 1910

**Wooley Colliery Band** - Stanley Crook, Durham

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s

**Woolley Colliery Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1950s and 1960s. The band was accused in 1953 of poaching players from Skelmanthorpe Silver Band. Geoffrey Hirst (soprano cornet), Peter Fretwell (principal cornet) and Bobby Whittles (principal euphonium) took jobs at the colliery. Followed soon after by Stewart Ferguson (principal trombone) and Ernest Wood (principal horn). Only Mr Hirst and Mr Wood had any mining experience. The band did then shortly after win the CISWO Yorkshire contest - so the new players obviously made a difference!

**Woolley Pritchard Sovereign Brass** - Smethwick, Staffordshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Sovereign Brass*

**Woolpit Band** - Suffolk

Active in the late 1830s and 1840s

**Woolsthorpe and Belvoir Brass Band**

See: *Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Brass Band*

**Woolsthorpe Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

See: *Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Brass Band*

**Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Active in 1919, 16 players, secretary P. Pearce. Still active in 1923

**Woolwich Borough Silver Band** - Kent

Founded in 1906, conductor J. Reay, and active into the 1910s. The bandmaster was Arthur Prescott and the Secretary, Mr W. Knight in the early years.

**Woolwich Dockyard Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1840s and 1850s

**Woolwich Dockyard Labour Club Brass Band** - Kent

Active in the 1920s

**Woolwich Police Brass Band** - Kent

Formed in 1859 with 18 policemen doing duty at the Royal Arsenal.

**Woolwich Tabernacle Band** - Kent

Active in the 1900s. Conductor A. Prescott in 1906

**Wootton Bassett Brass Band** - Wiltshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Royal Wootton Bassett Brass Band*

**Wootton Bassett Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in the 1870s. A successor band was formed in 1980

**Wootton Brass Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s

- Wootton Brass Band** - Northamptonshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Wootton Institute Brass Band** - Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire  
Active in the 1890s
- Worcester Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Worcester Saxhorn Band*
- Worcester City Band** - Worcestershire  
Founded in 1882, bandmaster H. Tyler. Still active in 1910
- Worcester Concert Brass** - Worcestershire  
[current band] - Founded in 1982 - Former names: Nunnery Wood Youth Band (to 1993)
- Worcester County Lunatic Asylum Brass Band** - Powick, Worcestershire  
Active in 1855. The director, Doctor Sherlock, spent £30 on eight brass instruments to enable the band for "the amusement of the patients"
- Worcester Excelsior Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1883
- Worcester Municipal Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1934
- Worcester Railway Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Saxhorn Band*
- Worcester Railway Institute Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Saxhorn Band*
- Worcester Railway Literary Institute Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Saxhorn Band*
- Worcester Railway Operatic Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Saxhorn Band*
- Worcester Saxhorn Band** - Worcestershire  
Active in 1859 to 1868. Conductor Mr Border in 1868
- Worcester West Midland Railway Brass Band** - Hereford, Herefordshire  
See: *West Midland (Hereford) Brass Band*
- Worcester Working Man's Institute Brass Band** - Worcestershire  
Founded in December 1856, trained by F. Langdon, played their first concert in February 1857, when it was reported "the progress they have made is marvellous, though the noise from so many (35) instruments, and especially the clashing of the cymbals, was too much for any room". Still active in 1859
- Worcester Working Men's Recreation Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Worcester Working Man's Institute Brass Band*
- Wordsley Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in the 1850s
- Wordsley Excelsior Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1887
- Worfield Brass Band** - Shropshire  
Founded in 1908, conductor John White
- Working Man's Recreation Brass Band** - Worcester, Worcestershire  
See: *Worcester Working Man's Institute Brass Band*
- Workington Analine Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1880s

- Workington Artillery Volunteers Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1880s to WW1. Conductor W.W. Williams in 1886, G. Lowden in 1895
- Workington Catholic Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s
- Workington Catholic Young Men's Society Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1867
- Workington Discharged Sailors and Soldiers Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1920s
- Workington Iron Works Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1861. This was formed of workers from the Workington Haematite Iron Company
- Workington Rifle Volunteers Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- Workington Saxhorn Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s. Conductor T.A. Haigh in 1875. Still active in 1877
- Workington St Cuthbert's Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor George Eastwood in 1908
- Workington St John's Church Army Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1890s. Conductor J. Goddard in 1891
- Workington Town Band** - Cumberland  
[current band] - Founded in 1913
- Workington Town Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Formed in 1918 and active into the 1990s
- Workington United Brass Band** - Cumberland  
Active in the 1920s
- Workshops for the Blind Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
See: *Liverpool Workshops for the Blind Band*
- Worksop Borough Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Worksop Miners Welfare Band*
- Worksop Brass Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Worksop Miners Welfare Band*
- Worksop Miners Welfare Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1832 - Former names: Worksop Borough Band, Worksop Town Band. Conductor Charles Coupe in 1863
- Worksop Primitive Methodist Mission Band** - Nottinghamshire  
Active in the 1900s
- Worksop Town Band** - Nottinghamshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Worksop Miners Welfare Band*
- Worsbrough Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Founded in 1993
- Worsbrough Dale Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s to the 1900s. Bandmaster Eli Shaw in the 1870s. Conductor J. Stringer in 1905
- Worsham Mill Brass Band** - Witney, Oxfordshire  
Formed by William Webley in the early 20th century. He often found places in his mill for people who were known to be good musicians, although they were expected to buy their own instruments from him in instalments. This unusual method of staffing the mill

may have contributed to the collapse of the business: one day Mr Webley took all the instruments to an Oxford pawnbroker and not long after the blanket making business failed.

**Worsley Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1860

**Worsley Wardley Grammar School Brass Band** - Wardley, Lancashire

Active in the 1960s

**Worsthorne Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in 1863

**Worthing Borough Band** - Sussex

Formed in the 1890s. Alfred Ham Snr. was a founder member of the newly formed Worthing Borough Band, together with an Albert Collins and an Edgar White, which got together after a lot of hard work as well as some assistance from one George Searle and other businessmen. Alfred Ham Jnr., together with his three brothers and his father, all played in the Borough Band. The band presented Hilda and Alfred with a timely gift on their wedding day in 1923. This inscribed clock that they received as a wedding present from the Borough Band is now on display in the wireless building at the Amberley Chalk Pits Museum. Around 1920, Hilda's brother Ronald Scott joined his uncle Alf Naldret in the Borough Band, having split from the Salvation Army band. They frequently went with friends from the Borough Band to London's Crystal Palace for the annual brass band contests. At Christmas time, the Borough Band played carols in Worthing Streets and at special house parties to raise funds. In the mid 1930s, as a result of injuries received at the battle of Arras in the war, Alfred Ham Snr. became a total invalid and died in 1944. A touching tribute from fellow bandsman Albert Collins in a local newspaper read, "Mr Ham, who had reached the useful age of 66 years, spent practically all his spare time for many years encouraging aspiring bandsmen. Bands and music was his life, apart from his daily employment as a well-known gardener."

**Worthing Brass Band (1)** - Sussex

Formed in 1851. Still active in 1890, possibly folded before the Worthing Borough Band was formed towards the end of the 1890s.

**Worthing Brass Band (2)** - Sussex

Formed after WW2. Active through the 1950s. A successor band (arising from a local youth band) was formed in 1967.

**Worthing Corporation Band**

See: *Worthing Borough Band*

**Worthing Silver Band** - Sussex

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Former names: St Andrew's CE High School for Boys Band (Worthing) (to 1972), Worthing Youth Band (to 1977), Sovereign Silver Band

**Worthing Youth Band** - Sussex

[previous name of current band] See: *Worthing Silver Band*

**Worthington's Brass Band** - Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

See: *Messrs Worthington and Co.'s Brass Band*

**Wortley Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active from 1855 and into the 1870s. Conductor Mr Gant in 1869. Also known as Armley and Wortley Brass Band

### **Wortley Forge and Thurgoland Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in 1892/3, and still playing in 1952, though probably did not survive long beyond that. Possibly linked to the Earl of Wharnccliffe of Wortley Hall. Hylton Boothroyd, recalls: "I knew the Thurgoland Silver Band when I was 5-18 in Thurgoland between 1939-1952. It must not have been just a village band as I'd always imagined - it must have had been the final stage of an industry-inspired band like all the colliery bands of the Yorkshire mining area whose western limits was just the other side of the Thurgoland-Wortley ridge. The River Don, a mile or so below the ridge, had had its Old Mill, New Mill, Top Forge, and Low Forge strung along it for a mile or two: named from C18 and C19. But by World War 2 only New Mill still flourished, with just the handful of men needed to run the machinery drawing finger-thick furnace-heated steel coil into the finest steel needle blanks. In my day the large black-tarred wooden Band Room, at the junction of Huthwaite Lane and the main road from Thurgoland to Deepcar (and lying 100 yards from the river between the Mills and the Forges), functioned also as an occasional community hall for those of us who lived in the valley. What had been Mill- and Forgemens housing lay mostly along Old/New Mill Lane close to the river; what had been mainly quarrymen's housing mostly up Huthwaite Lane. The people who lived there were still working people, but nearly all catching workmen's buses running through Deepcar to the big steelworks in Stocksbridge or running to collieries on the road to Barnsley. Thurgoland's school, church, and most shops were up on the ridge, as were Wortley's. All we had down by the river were the pub, the Band Room, the small shop opposite, and a little Primitive Methodist chapel. That said, the band was part of the life of Thurgoland as a whole for Remembrance Day and I think also for the Whit Monday walk. For the Walk, the Prims processed up the hill with their banner, Wesleyans on the hill emerged with theirs, hymns and prayers in the open air in the centre of Thurgoland on the ridge, all processed down the hill past the Band Room to the road junction by the Top Forge, there they met the Methodists and their banner from the Green Moor chapel, all processed back to the roadside in front of the Band Room for the final big sing. I'd never really understood the joining up with Green Moor (technically a part of Wortley but on the ridge on the other side of the Don), but with the band playing a big role in earlier days, it seems to slot into place. The band didn't long survive World War 2. Neither did the Wharnciffes at Wortley Hall -- a palatial pile that had outstripped their capacity to maintain it. Although I got to know the future earl during his vacations from Eton during my four years as organist at Wortley Church, the parents sadly had largely passed out of public life. The Band Room itself is now long gone. The Prim Chapel became a workshop years ago. The shop is just a house. But the pub flourishes as a place to aim at on heritage walks. And the Top Forge has become a heritage centre."

### **Wotton and District Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

[current band] - Founded in 1894 - Former names: Kingswood Abbey Band, Abbey Silver Prize Band (to 1968), Wotton-Under-Edge & District Silver Band

### **Wotton-Under-Edge Amateur Brass Band - Gloucestershire**

Active in 1866 to 1869. Conductor Thomas Bruton in 1869

### **Wotton-Under-Edge and District Silver Band - Gloucestershire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Wotton & District Silver Band*

### **Wragby Brass Band - Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1880s to the 1900s. Conductor B. Benson in 1893

### **Wrawby Brass Band** - Lincolnshire

Wrawby Brass Band formed in 1875 under the direction of George Twigg. It had 12 players. How long it had existed before this is uncertain, but in 1874 the Instrumental Music Society was mentioned as 'the only musical society in the town' and it seems likely that 1875 was when the Wrawby band was started. Before this there had been the 'excellent brass band recently formed by members of the Oddfellows and Foresters Societies'. The band was practising three evenings a week at the Gladiator in May 1862. By 1886 the Wrawby Brass Band was reported to have really improved during the previous couple of years. Took part in the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in Brigg in 1897. In 1900 it held its 'annual supper' at the Gladiator, and it was then stated to have 30 members. In the obituary to Alfred John Tapling (1911) it states: "It is interesting to recount the fact that the late Mr Tapling was the founder of the Brigg Subscription Band, which up to recent years was known as the Wrawby Prize band." So, sometime between 1900 and 1911 it seems to have been renamed as Brigg Subscription Band. In 1913/1919 George Quarmby was the conductor, living in Bigby Street, Brigg. Still active in 1937 when it competed at Belle Vue.

### **Wray Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active from the late 1850s to the 1920s. New uniforms in 1880. Edward Collings was a member in 1882, when he appeared in front of the magistrates for being drunk and disorderly. Rev. Edward Medland was secretary of the band at the time of his death in 1924.

### **Wraysbury Wesleyan Mission Band** - Buckinghamshire

Active in the 1900s

### **Wreaks Brass Band** - Birstwith, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1857. Possibly linked to the Wreaks cotton mill in Birstwith, which was operational from the 1790s to the 1860s (closing due to the cotton famine caused by the American Civil War)

### **Wrecclesham Brass Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1930s

### **Wrecclesham C.E.T.S. Band** - Surrey

Active in the 1900s to WW1

### **Wrekin College Brass Band** - Wellington, Shropshire

Active in 1969

### **Wrentham Band** - Suffolk

[current band] - Founded in 1919

### **Wrentham Brass Band** - Suffolk

Active in the 1860s. A successor band was formed in 1919

### **Wrexham Blue Ribbon Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1880s, conductor H.R. Williams.

### **Wrexham Borough Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Formed in April 1890 and active into the 1900s.

### **Wrexham Brass** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

### **Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)** - Denbighshire

[current band] - Founded in 1884 - Former names: Rhos Brass Band, Rhos Prize Silver Band, Hafod Colliery Band, Hafod Welfare Band, Rhos and District Silver Band (1968-2000), Wrexham Brass, Wrexham Brass NEWI

**Wrexham Brass Band** - Denbighshire

Active in the 1840s to the 1880s

**Wrexham Brass NEWI** - Denbighshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Wrexham Brass (Glyndwr)*

**Wright Memorial Band** - Stirlingshire

Active from the early 1890s to the 1910s. As a breakaway from the Camelon Brass Band, Charlie Wright, who once owned the Canal Inn, formed the Wright Memorial Band. Mr Wright was a notable character in the area who resided in the first house in Blinkbonny Road. Each New Year's morning he would come out and stand at his door and serenade the village with the tune "A Guid New Year to Ane and A'."

**Wrightington and Heskin Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**Wrightington Subscription Brass Band** - Lancashire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s. John Rutter conductor in 1904

**Wright's Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire

See: *Universe Works Brass Band*

**Wright's Brass Band** - Worthing, Sussex

Active in the early 1890s

**Wrinehill Brass Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1860, 1863

**Wrington Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from 1894 to 1910

**Wrington Vale Brass Band** - Somerset

See: *Wrington Brass Band*

**Wroughton and District Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1938, when it competed in the National Band Festival at the Alexandra Palace in the Junior Shield "C" (2) section, against Wroughton Silver Band.

**Wroughton Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active from the 1850s, still active in 1909. Conductor G. Andrews in 1879, F.O. Perrett in 1894. A successor band was formed after WW1. From his obituary: "Francis Cowdrey [of Wroughton] took a keen interest in music, and for many years was a member of the Village Band, and was the only surviving members of the old band. When George Frederick, a local trained horse, won the Derby in 1874, Mr Cowdrey was a member of the band that played the horse home from Swindon station."

**Wroughton Primitive Methodist Band** - Wiltshire

Formed in 1902

**Wroughton Silver Band** - Wiltshire

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Note: An earlier band existed in Wroughton sometime in the late 19th century

**Wroughton Silver Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1938, when it competed in the National Band Festival at the Alexandra Palace in the Junior Shield "C" (2) section, against Wroughton and District Band.

**Wroxall Prize Band**

Active in 1910

**Wyck Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Wyck Rissington Brass Band*

- Wyck Rissington Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1848 to 1866
- Wycliffe Brass Band** - Lutterworth,  
See: *Lutterworth Wycliffe Brass Band*
- Wycliffe Brass Band** - Stonehouse, Gloucestershire  
Active in 1914
- Wycliffe Brass Band** - Warrington, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s
- Wycombe Brass Band (1)** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1840s to the 1900s. Conductor Mr Youens in 1888, Mr Sears in 1892-1903
- Wycombe Brass Band (2)** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1980s
- Wycombe Excelsior Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in 1884
- Wycombe Victoria Brass Band** - Buckinghamshire  
Active in the 1860s
- Wye Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the early 1900s to the 1920s. Thomas Edward Worrell, (d. 1915) and a member of the 1st Kent Cyclist Battalion, was a member of Wye Brass Band.
- Wye Village Band** - Kent  
See: *Wye Brass Band*
- Wyke Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed in 1856. Known as Wyke Operatic Band in 1863. In 1888 won 18 prizes, worth £260 16s., including coming 4th in the British Open that year and beating their local rivals, Wyke Temperance, at the Irish Exhibition contest in London. Sadly the band wound up shortly after that.
- Wyke Operatic Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Wyke Old Band*
- Wyke Regis Silver Band** - Weymouth, Dorset  
Formed in 1922 as a British Legion band and renamed as Weymouth Military Band in 1924.
- Wyke Teetotal Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Wyke Temperance Band*
- Wyke Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Formed 1869 from the remnants of a Band of Hope Union drum and fife band with the enthusiasm of Ephraim Pearson. Conducted by William Rimmer and Edwin Swift, and were highly successful, winning the British Open in 1888, 1889 and 1898. Dropped "Temperance" from the title in the early 1890s. Remained a force through the 1900s to 1910 but thereafter seemed to disappear from view and probably folded prior to the Great War. Following a contest in 1895 where Wyke beat Black Dyke and Besses, a commentator wrote: "Then hurrah for the brave lads from Wyke; Thrice they've slated the warriors from Dyke, Likewise the champions who style themselves Besses, Showing more talent than either possesses!" There's a story along the lines of when Temperance came home on the train sat on the front with the Open cup and celebrating their win Wyke Old (who had been in the pub!) stood on the bridge and hurled abuse at them!
- Wykeham Brass Band** - Yorkshire (East Riding)  
Active in 1853



**Wylam Brass Band** - Northumberland

See: *Wylam Colliery Band*

**Wylam Colliery Band** - Northumberland

Founded around 1850 and was supported by the colliery owners, the Blakett family, and also by subscription. It was administered by a committee comprising the colliery viewer (manager), the master of the band and a nominee of 'the subscribers of five shillings and upwards per annum'. The band met at 8 p.m. each Saturday evening for practice and performed in the village square on the first Thursday in the month. Still active in 1863

**Wylze Brass Band** - Wiltshire

Active in 1863, 1905

**Wymeswold Brass Band (1)** - Leicestershire

Active in the early 1880s

**Wymeswold Brass Band (2)** - Leicestershire

Formed in 1901, active through to WW1. Conductor Mr Holwell in 1906

**Wymondham Brass Band** - Leicestershire

Active in the 1920s and 1930s. Conductor A. Alexander in 1923. J. Beecroft secretary in 1932

**Wymondham Excelsior Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active in the early 1900s

**Wythenshawe Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1940s to the 1970s

**Wythenshawe Residents Brass Band** - Cheshire

Active in the 1930s

**Xylonite Works Band** - Brantham, Suffolk

Active in the 1890s through to the 1930s. Conductor I.Naylor in 1893

**Y.E.W.C.O. Works Band** - Idle, Yorkshire (West Riding)

A band formed by a group of businessmen, in 1944, who bought the rights to use the name "St Hilda's Band", was taken over by the Yorkshire Engineering and Welding Company in 1951. They achieved 5th place in the British Open in 1955 but disbanded soon after.

**Y.M.C.A. Brotherhood Brass Band**

See: *Bristol Y.M.C.A. Band*

**Yalding Brass Band** - Kent

Active in 1852 to 1869

**Yalding Volunteer Band** - Kent

Active in 1895

**Yapton Brass Band** - Sussex

Active from the late 1890s into the early 1900s. Conductor Mr Orborne in 1900

**Yardley Albions Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s

**Yardley Gobion Britannia Brass Band** - Northamptonshire

Active in the 1890s to 1938. Conductor in 1893 was E.C.Gear. Joseph Lambert was conductor in 1899 and the 1900s. T. Horton in 1921, F. Horton in 1926.

**Yarm and District Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Formed in 1945 as the Head Wrightson Works Band. Renamed Middlesborough (Dovecot) Brass in 1980 and Yarm and District Band in 1989. Merged in 1998 with Lingdale Silver Band to form Lockwood Band

**Yarm Brass Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Active from 1861 to the 1920s. Conductor in 1899 was R.L. Wilford. Played at the centenary celebrations of the Stockton and Darlington Railway in 1920.

**Yarm Temperance Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)

Founded in 1883, bandmaster Charles Hudson

**Yarmouth and Gorleston Silver Band** - Norfolk

Active in the mid 1970s. After a decline, and without playing a concert for over a year, it became associated with the Shrublands Youth and Adult Centre, which gave it a new lease of life.

**Yarmouth Victoria Brass Band** - Norfolk

Active through the 1840s into the 1850s

**Yarnton Band** - Oxfordshire

[current band] - Founded in 1959

**Yarwell and Nasington Britannia Band** - Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in the 1970s - Note: Earlier band in Yarwell/Nassington dates back to early 19th century

**Yate Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

Active from 1902 through to the late 1920s. Conductor Mr Duckfield in 1924. R. Cook was one of the band's founders. Also known as Yate British Brass Band

**Yate British Brass Band** - Gloucestershire

See: *Yate Brass Band*

**Yate Village Band** - Gloucestershire

Active in the 1880s

**Yatton Brass Band** - Somerset

Active from the early 1880s to the 1910s

**YBS Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Hammonds Saltaire Band*

**YBS Concert Brass** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band]

**Yeadon Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yeadon Old Band*

**Yeadon Old Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1850, it was first organised by William Hudson and William Taylor. Conductor Francis Gray in 1860. In 1862, the band was re-organised, and some ten years later an effort was made to procure more efficient instruments. This resulted in the purchase of four from Mesgham and Co. in Manchester. Later other instruments were obtained, but in procuring them a few at a time from different makers meant that the tone was never quite equally balanced. It was then in 1900 that an entire new set of electro plated instruments were purchased from Boosey and Co at a total price of £220. In the early days the band rehearsed in the old school which stood opposite the Yeadon Town Hall, this however was later pulled down in 1880. It then rented rooms at Well Hill, for about ten years and then at the Yeadon Trades Hall. Since then a number of small rooms have been rented in the area. In 1931 the band's contest results were: 28th

March; 1st Prize and Cup in March, Yeadon. 28th March; 4th Prize in Selection, Yeadon. 26th May; 5th Prize in Selection, Huddersfield. 27th June; 2nd Prize in Selection, Yeadon 15th August; 1st Prize and Cup, 1st Selection, Ripley and 12th September; 1st Prize, Guiseley. In 1950 the Yeadon Old Brass Band claimed the title of Prize Band. Under the conductor of Mr Walter Jackson the band had won thirty-seven prizes, including eleven trophies and prize money to the value of £200. The band disbanded in 2004.

**Yeadon United Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in 1864

**Yeovil Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1853 to 1865

**Yeovil Corporation Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1870 as the 16th S.V.R. Band, later known as Pettres Works Military Band (1930s) and Yeovil Corporation Band (1930s to 1967). A splinter group from Yeovil Corporation Band formed Yeovil Working Men's Band in 1949. Merged with Yeovil Working Men's Band in 1967 to form the current Yeovil Town Band.

**Yeovil Imperial Band** - Somerset

Competed in the Crystal Palace Championships in the 1930s

**Yeovil Primitive Methodist Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in 1913

**Yeovil Saxhorn Band** - Somerset

Active in 1871, secretary James Pardy

**Yeovil Town Band** - Somerset

[current band] - Founded in 1967 - Note: Merger of Yeovil Working Men's Band and Yeovil Corporation Band

**Yeovil Town Band** - Somerset

Active from the early 1880s to the 1910s. Conductor Mr Beare in 1884, Mr Perry in 1903

**Yeovil Volunteers Brass Band** - Somerset

Active in the 1870s and 1900s. Conductor T.D. Jones in 1904

**Yeovil Working Men's Band** - Somerset

Formed in 1949 from a splinter group from Yeovil Corporation Band . Merged with Yeovil Corporation Band in 1967 to form the current Yeovil Town Band.

**YEWCO Band**

See: *Y.E.W.C.O. Works Band*

**Yiewsley and West Drayton Band** - Middlesex

[current band] - Founded in 1890 - Former names: Yiewsley Wesleyan Band of Hope Brass Band

**Yiewsley Wesleyan Band of Hope Brass Band** - Middlesex

[previous name of current band] See: *Yiewsley & West Drayton Band*

**Ynysdarren Brass Band** - Ystalyfera, Glamorgan

Active in the 1890s

**Ynyshir (Stacks of Tiles) Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Ynyshir Band*

**Ynyshir and Wattstown Colliery Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Ynyshir Band*

**Ynyshir Band** - Glamorgan

[current band] - Founded in 1946 - Former names: Ynyshir and Wattstown Colliery Band, Ynyshir Welfare Band, Ynyshir (Stacks of Tiles) Band (1999)

**Ynyshir Brass Band** - Glamorgan

See: *Ynyshir Standard Colliery Silver Band*

**Ynyshir St John Ambulance Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1930s

**Ynyshir Standard Colliery Silver Band** - Glamorgan

Formed in 1898 as the Ynyshir Drum and Fife Band, became associated with the Ynyshir Colliery and converted to a brass band. Bandmaster Mr Kemp in 1905. It may have disbanded in 1906, to be revived in 1908. Later adopting Tî Mawr into its name, in 1920 it won the South Wales and Monmouthshire Championship Shield and the Royal National Eisteddford at Barry. It disbanded at the start of the Second World War. A successor band (originally a youth band) was formed in 1946.

**Ynyshir Welfare Band** - Glamorgan

[previous name of current band] See: *Ynyshir Band*

**Ynysybwl Town Band** - Glamorgan

Founded in 1899, conductor F. Beechey

**Ynysybwl Workmen's Brass Band** - Glamorgan

Active in the 1910s to 1930s

**York Amateur Brass Band** - Yorkshire

Active in 1859

**York and District Mission Band**

See: *Ebor Excelsior Silver Band*

**York Blind School Brass Band** - Yorkshire

Founded in 1843 at the Yorkshire School for the Blind. Revived in 1861

**York Boys' Industrial School Band** - Yorkshire

Active in 1882 through 1913. Played at a garden party at Bishopthorpe Palace in July 1910. Conductor Mr Bates in 1902

**York City Brass Band** - Yorkshire

Formed 1906 or earlier. Merged, in 1952, with Ebor Excelsior Silver Prize Band to form the current York Railway Institute Band.

**York City Model Brass Band**

See: *York Model Brass Band*

**York Cocoa Works Band** - York, Yorkshire

[previous name of current band] See: *Shepherd Building Group Brass Band*

**York Excelsior Brass Band**

See: *Ebor Excelsior Silver Band*

**York Foresters' Brass Band** - Yorkshire

Active in 1858

**York Groves Wesleyan Band** - Yorkshire

Active in the early 1900s

**York Home Guard Association Band**

See: *Ebor Excelsior Silver Band*

**York Industrial School Brass Band**

See: *York Boys' Industrial School Band*

**York Model Brass Band** - Yorkshire

Active in the 1860s and 1875

**York N.U.R. Silver Band** - Yorkshire

Active in the 1920s

- York Operatic Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Active in the 1850s to 1858
- York Piano-Forte Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Founded in September 1859, conductor Mr Potter, who was the publican at the Gardener's Arms, Townend Street.
- York Postal Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Active in the 1930s to the 1950s
- York Railway Institute Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1952 - Note: Formed by merger of the York City Brass Band and the Ebor Excelsior Silver Band
- York Railway Institute Golden Rail Band** - York, Yorkshire  
[current band] - Founded in 1963
- York Rifles Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Active in the 1860s to the 1900s
- York St Paul's Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Known to be active between 1900 and 1904, later known as St Paul's New Silver Band
- York Street Brass Band** - St Helen's, Lancashire  
Active in the 1890s
- York Subscription Silver Band** - Yorkshire  
Active from the early 1900s to WW1. Bandmaster Mr Newby 1906-1909, George Walker in 1910
- York Temperance Band** - Yorkshire  
Active between 1882 and 1885
- York Tramways Band** - Yorkshire  
Active in 1913, bandmaster Mr Taylor. Mr Reeves bandmaster in 1914
- York United Brass Band** - Yorkshire  
Active in 1865, conductor Mr Bean
- Yorkley Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in 1853. Conductor H. Phipps in 1864
- Yorkley Concert Band** - Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1970s
- Yorkley Excelsior Band** - Gloucestershire  
Formed in 1860, still active in 1907
- Yorkley Onward Brass Band** - Gloucestershire  
Formed in 1903, bandmaster Horace Jones. Disbanded in 1993 and the few remaining players amalgamated with Coleford Town Band in 1994 to form Forest of Dean Brass. Also known as Yorkley Onward Kear's Group Band for a short time in the early 1990s
- Yorkshire Building Society Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *Hammonds Saltaire Band*
- Yorkshire Building Society Community Brass** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[current band] - Former names: Hammonds Junior Band (to 1993)
- Yorkshire Building Society Concert Brass** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Bradford Brass Band*
- Yorkshire Bus Company Band**  
See: *Yorkshire Transport Band*
- Yorkshire Coking and Chemical Works Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1930s

**Yorkshire Co-op Brass Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

See: *Yorkshire Co-operatives Band*

**Yorkshire Co-operatives Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1998 by the merger of Jayess '87 Band and Jayess (Queensbury) Band. Folded in 2010. Also known as United Co-op Yorkshire Brass Band

**Yorkshire Copper Works Band**

See: *Yorkshire Imperial Band*

**Yorkshire Electricity Drighlington Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[previous name of current band] See: *Drighlington Brass Band*

**Yorkshire Engineering and Welding Company Band**

See: *Y.E.W.C.O. Works Band*

**Yorkshire Evening Post (Sharlston) Band**

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

**Yorkshire Evening Post Band** - Leeds, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed on 10th February 1856 by Richard Smith, as Leeds Model Band. There was a smaller brass band, part of the Leeds Model Band, called the Hearts of Oak Brass Band, which was active in 1862. In 1864 it came third in the British Open Championship. It was later known as the Cameron Ironworks Band. One of its most successful periods was in the mid 1960s when in a three year period in seventeen contest appearances it won fifteen first prizes and two second prizes. In common with an increasing number of bands, in the 1970s it sought financial assistance through sponsorship to meet the dramatic rise in operating costs. This led to successful periods first as the John Waddington Band (the games manufacturers) and then as the Yorkshire Relish Band (within the Hammonds Sauce Group), before becoming associated with the Yorkshire Evening Post. The band merged with Sharlston Colliery Band around 2000, to form Yorkshire Evening Post (Sharlston) Band, but then disbanded in 2002. The band's contest achievements included the Radio Leeds Knockout Brass Champions, Second section Regional champions, prize winners at the finals of the National Championships of Great Britain, the Pontins National Championships, The Isle of Man Brass Band Festival, the Telford New Town Entertainment Contest, and featured in the prize lists of many local contests. Some memories of the Leeds Model Band, which rehearsed in the Royal Hotel in Lower Briggate, Leeds, from Robert Thomas of Seacroft: I was "borrowed" by the band on a number of occasions to stand in for absent players. The bandmaster at the time was Jack Parish and I was paid a 'handsome' reward - sometimes as much as £2. I attended the odd rehearsal at the band HQ - a small room over an alleyway between Lower Briggate and The Calls. It is still there but the murky back lane I remember now has a trendy wine bar in it. The band was always busy and I recall playing at Burton's Sports and at Cliffe Castle Gardens in Keighley where I played the tenor horn in the afternoon and the cornet in the evening. The afternoon concert opened with the march Round Tower and when we'd finished the conductor announced over his microphone to the large audience the band had just played its signature march. "How long has that been your signature march?" I asked the chap next to me. "Since about five minutes ago!" was his reply. In between the two concerts most of the band 'disappeared' - they'd gone for a pint or two. My pal and I were given directions to the hostelry and told to knock three times on the back door and ask for Leeds Model. This, of course, was in the days of strict licensing laws when no pub would be open early Sunday evening. When

we were admitted we were under age and out of hours! I have good memories of a hard-working and friendly band who always produced the "big sound".

**Yorkshire Imperial Band** - Stourton, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in 1931 as Yorkshire Copper Works Band, from members of the Stourton Memorial Band, later known as Band of the Yorkshire Imperial Metals (1958), Yorkshire Imperial Metals Band, Yorkshire Imperial Band (1980), I.M.I. Yorkshire Imperial Band, DUT Yorkshire Imperial Band. Merged with Rothwell Band in 1999 to form DUT Yorkshire Imperial Rothwell Band.

**Yorkshire Imperial Metals Band**

See: *Yorkshire Imperial Band*

**Yorkshire Imperial Urquhart Travel Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1999 - Note: Amalgamation of DUT Yorkshire Imperial Band and Rothwell Band

**Yorkshire Main Band**

See: *Yorkshire Main Colliery Band*

**Yorkshire Main Colliery Band**

Formed after World War 1. Still active in the mid 1990s. Also known as Ceramia Goldthorpe Colliery Band, Goldthorpe (Ceramia) Band, Edlington N.U.M. Silver Prize Band.

**Yorkshire Main Goldthorpe Colliery Band**

See: *Yorkshire Main Colliery Band*

**Yorkshire Relish Band**

See: *Yorkshire Evening Post Band*

**Yorkshire School for the Blind Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire

See: *York Blind School Brass Band*

**Yorkshire Steel and Iron Works Brass Band** - Penistone, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Active in the 1870s to the 1890s

**Yorkshire Traction Band**

See: *Yorkshire Transport Band*

**Yorkshire Traction Honley** - Yorkshire (West Riding)

[current band] - Founded in 1997

**Yorkshire Transport Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)

Formed in September 1935. Also known as the Busman's Band, Yorkshire Bus Company Band, Yorkshire Woollen District Transport Sports Club Band. Merged with Honley Band in 1997 to form Yorkshire Traction Honley Band

**Yorkshire Transport Sports Club Band**

See: *Yorkshire Transport Band*

**Yorkshire Woollen District Transport Sports Club Band**

See: *Yorkshire Transport Band*

**Youlgrave Silver Band** - Derbyshire

[current band] - Founded in the early 1860s - also known as Youlgreave Silver Band

**Young Lancashire Brass** - Lancashire

[current band] - Founded in 1960

**Youth Brass 2000** - Corby, Northamptonshire

[current band] - Founded in 1990

**Yoxall Band** - Staffordshire

Active in 1904

**Yr Eifl and Trefor Brass Band**

See: *Trefor Brass Band*

**Ysbyty Ystwyth Brass Band**

Active c. 1910

**Ysguborwen Brass Band**

See: *Aberdare Town Band*

**Ystalyfera Brass Band - Glamorgan**

[previous name of current band] See: *Ystalyfera Public Band*

**Ystalyfera Public Band - Glamorgan**

[current band] - Founded in 1865 - Former names: Ystalyfera Temperance Silver Band, aka Blue Ribbon Band - Note: The first brass band in the Swansea Valley.

**Ystalyfera Public Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Formed in the 1920s, active through to the 1980s

**Ystalyfera Temperance Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1900s through to the 1970s - contemporary with Ystalyfera Public Brass Band

**Ystalyfera Temperance Silver Band - Glamorgan**

[previous name of current band] See: *Ystalyfera Public Band*

**Ystalyfera Town Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Formed in the 1920s, active through to the 1980s - contemporary with Ystalyfera Town Brass Band

**Ystrad Mynach and District Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1980s and 1990s

**Ystrad Rhondda Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1890s

**Ystrad Volunteers Brass Band - Glamorgan**

Active in the 1890s

**Ystradgynlais Brass Band - Brecknockshire**

Active in the 1880s, disbanding in the 1890s. A successor band was formed in 1903

**Ystradgynlais Public Band - Brecknockshire**

[current band] - Founded in 1903 - Former names: Ystradgynlais Public Prize Band

**Zealley's Brass Band - Aston, Staffordshire**

Conductor Mr Zealley. Became Aston Excelsior Band in 1907.

**Zeals St Martin's Silver Band - Wiltshire**

Active in 1923, secretary B. Maidment

**Zeals Temperance Band - Wiltshire**

Formed before the First World War, provided music at many local functions. By 1930 the abstaining zeal of its members had waned and it was renamed the Zeals St. Martins Silver Band

**Zennor Brass Band - Cornwall**

Active in 1856

**Zetland Brass Band - Laurieston, Stirlingshire**

See: *Laurieston Zetland Brass Band*

**Zion Brass Band - Colne, Lancashire**

See: *Mount Zion Brass Band (Colne)*

**Zion Brass Band - Oldham, Lancashire**

See: *Cobden Chadwick Band*



**Zion Congregational Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Active in the 1900s

**Zion Methodists Band** - Oldham, Lancashire  
See: *Cobden Chadwick Band*

**Zone One Brass Band** - London  
[current band] - Founded in 2002 - Note: Founded by students of the Royal College of Music

**1st Battalion Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment (T.A.) Band** - Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1960s

**1st Battalion Cheshire Home Guard Band** - Cheshire  
Active in 1944

**1st Breconshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Brecknockshire  
Active in the 1880s

**1st Buckinghamshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Buckinghamshire  
See: *Wolverton Rifle Volunteers Brass Band*

**1st Cadet Battalion Royal Fusiliers [City of London Regiment] Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s

**1st Cheshire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**1st Cheshire Engineers Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s

**1st Cheshire Home Guard Brass Band** - Altrincham, Cheshire  
Active during WW2

**1st Clackmannan and Kinross Rifle Volunteers Band** - Alva, Clackmannanshire  
Active in the 1880s

**1st Derby Company Boys Life Brigade Brass Band** - Derby, Derbyshire  
Active in 1904, secretary Mr Selvey.

**1st Derbyshire Rifles (Heanor) Band** - Heanor, Derbyshire  
See: *Derby Rifles Brass Band*

**1st Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Dawlish, Devon  
See: *Dawlish Rifles Brass Band*

**1st Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Exeter, Devon  
Active in the 1860s to 1880s

**1st Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Exmouth, Devon  
Active in the 1860s

**1st Dorset Artillery Regiment Brass Band** - Dorset  
Active in the 1900s

**1st Duke of Cornwall's Rifles Band** - Penzance, Cornwall  
See: *Penzance Rifles Band*

**1st Durham Artillery Band** - Sunderland, Durham  
Active in the 1900s

**1st Durham Volunteer Rifles Band** - Stockton-on-Tees, Durham  
Active in the 1860s to 1890s

**1st Essex Artillery Volunteer Brass Band** - Hornchurch, Essex  
Formed in 1881.

**1st Fifeshire Artillery Brass Band** - Tayport, Fife  
Active in the 1880s, conductor W. Hogg.

- 1st Flintshire Volunteers Band** - Flintshire  
Active in the 1900s
- 1st Glamorgan Rifles Band** - Risca, Glamorgan  
Active in the 1880s
- 1st Gloucestershire Artillery Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1900s
- 1st Gloucestershire Engineers Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1880s
- 1st Haslington Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1970s
- 1st Hereford Rifle Corps Band** - Herefordshire  
Active in 1884
- 1st Heywood St Johns Scouts Brass Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1930s
- 1st Hunts Cyclist Battalion Band** - Huntingdonshire  
Active in WW1. Many members were formerly with the Fletton Victoria Prize Band, most of who joined up in 1914 to become bandsmen. Sgt. Joe Hackney, formally the Fletton Bandmaster took control of the band. They were also used as stretcher-bearers, but later on were used to carry out full soldiers' duties.
- 1st Kidderminster Rifle Corps Band** - Worcestershire  
See: *Kidderminster Brass Band (1)*
- 1st Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active from the early 1860s. Originally a bugle band it eventually became a brass band for the second battalion of the regiment but had improved so much by 1887 that it was promoted to the band for the 1st Battalion, the professional band which had previously existed being done away with.
- 1st Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- 1st Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s to the 1880s
- 1st Leicester Army Cadets Brass Band** - Leicestershire  
Active during WW2.
- 1st Lincolnshire Artillery Volunteer Band** - Boston, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st Lincolnshire Rifles Band** - Gainsborough, Lincolnshire  
See: *Gainsborough Rifles Band*
- 1st Lincolnshire Rifles Band** - Lincoln, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s to 1880s. Conductor F.M. Ward in 1860.
- 1st Lincolnshire Volunteer Battalion Band** - Frodingham, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1890s
- 1st Linlithgow Rifles Brass Band** - West Lothian  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st Neston Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1930s
- 1st Newcastle-on-Tyne Volunteers Brass Band** - Northumberland  
Active in the 1860s

- 1st Newport Volunteers Brass Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1880s
- 1st North Yorkshire Volunteer Artillery Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Guisbrough Artillery Volunteers*
- 1st Peebleshire Rifle Volunteer Band** - Peeblesshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Peebles Burgh Silver Band*
- 1st Renfrew and Dumbarton Artillery Volunteers Band** - Renfrewshire  
See: *Greenock Thistle Brass Band (2)*
- 1st Renfrewshire Rifle Volunteers Brass Band** - Renfrewshire  
See: *Greenock Rifles Brass Band*
- 1st Southampton Albion Boy Scouts Band** - Hampshire  
Active in the 1920s
- 1st Staffordshire Artillery Brass Band** - Staffordshire  
See: *Etruria Artillery Brass Band*
- 1st Suffolk Rifle Volunteers Brass Band** - Ipswich, Suffolk  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st Sussex Artillery Volunteers Brass Band** - Brighton, Sussex  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st Tower Hamlets Volunteers Brass Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1870s
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Berkshire Regiment Band** - Wokingham, Berkshire  
See: *Wokingham Volunteers Brass Band*
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Brass Band** - Ilford, Essex  
Active in the 1890s
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Hampshire Regiment Band** - Alton, Hampshire  
Active in the 1900s, conductor Mr Withers
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Lancashire Band** - Ulverston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Bury Public Silver Band*
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers Band** - Northumberland  
See: *Acomb Brass Band*
- 1st Volunteer Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers Band** - Wrexham, Denbighshire  
Active in the 1880s
- 1st Warwickshire Militia Brass Band** - Warwickshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st Wessex Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Yeovil, Somerset  
Active in the 1920s and 1930s
- 1st West Riding Artillery Brass Band** - Bramley, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in 1863
- 1st West Yorkshire Volunteers Band** - Pudsey, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- 1st West Yorkshire Yeomanry Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Conducted for many years around 1900 by Lieutenant Samuel Suckley.
- 1st Whitstable Scout Group Band** - Kent  
[current band] - Founded in 1921 - Note: Drum and bugle band started in 1919

- 2nd Battalion Monmouth Regiment (T.A.) Band** - Monmouthshire  
Active in the 1950s and 1960s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (3rd Section), conducted by W.O.I. Roy Lee
- 2nd Cheshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd Cumberland Artillery Band** - Cumberland  
Active in 1864
- 2nd Derbyshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Derbyshire  
See: *Uttoxeter Brass Band*
- 2nd Devon Volunteer Rifles Band** - Devonport, Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd Enfield Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s to the late 1960s
- 2nd Glamorgan Rifles Band** - Dowlais, Glamorgan  
See: *Dowlais Brass Band*
- 2nd Glamorgan Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan  
See: *Mountain Ash Volunteers Band*
- 2nd Gloucestershire Volunteer Engineers Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd Hammersmith Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1930s
- 2nd Hampshire Volunteers Brass Band**  
See: *Southampton Amateur Brass Band*
- 2nd King's Own Staffordshire Militia Band**  
See: *Smethwick Volunteers Brass Band*
- 2nd Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd Lanarkshire Royal Engineers Band**  
See: *Milnwood Brass Band*
- 2nd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- 2nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Clitheroe, Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- 2nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Darwen, Lancashire  
See: *Darwen Rifle Corps Band*
- 2nd Middlesex Rifles Volunteers Band** - Waltham Green, Middlesex  
Active in the 1890s
- 2nd Northumberland Artillery Volunteers Band** - Percy, Northumberland  
Active in the 1890s and 1900s
- 2nd Rossendale Scout Group Band** - Bacup, Lancashire  
[current band] - Founded in 1965
- 2nd Royal Arsenal Rifle Volunteers Band** - Woolwich, Kent  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd Shropshire Volunteer Rifles Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 2nd South Essex Boys Brigade Brass Band**  
Active in the 1930s and the 1960s

**2nd Sussex Artillery Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1890s

**2nd Tower Hamlets Volunteer Rifles Band**

Active in the 1860s

**2nd Volunteer Battalion Bedfordshire Regiment Band** - Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**2nd Volunteer Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment Band** - Gloucester, Gloucestershire

Active in the 1890s and 1900s

**2nd Volunteer Battalion North Staffordshire Regiment Band**

See: *Rugeley Volunteers Band*

**2nd Volunteer Battalion South Wales Borderers Band** - Newport, Monmouthshire

Active in the 1880s

**2nd Volunteer Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment Band**

Active in the 1880s and 1890s

**2nd Waltham Forest Boys Brigade Brass Band** - Essex

Active in the 1960s

**2nd West Yorks Royal Engineers Band**

See: *Leeds Engineers' Band*

**2nd West Yorkshire Artillery Band**

Active in the 1860s

**3rd Brigade (Welsh Division) Royal Artillery Band** - Carmarthenshire

Active in the 1880s

**3rd Carrickfergus Boys' Brigade Band**

Formed in 1958, under the direction of Mr D J McCartney. The band went from strength to strength and won the Marching Bands Competition in Belfast three years in a row as well as featuring in the major Brass Band contests throughout Northern Ireland. The Band eventually disbanded in 1968 as the boys got older and left the BB.

**3rd Devon Artillery Volunteers Band** - Teignmouth, Devon

Active in the 1860s

**3rd Dorset Volunteers Band** - Bridport, Dorset

Active in the 1860s

**3rd Duke of Cornwall's Rifle Volunteers Band** - Falmouth, Cornwall

Active in the 1860s

**3rd Durham Rifles Band**

Active in the 1900s

**3rd East Anglian Royal Army Medical Corps Territorial Band**

Active in the 1910s

**3rd Glamorgan Rifles Band** - Swansea, Glamorgan

Active in the 1880s

**3rd Hertfordshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**3rd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Chorley, Lancashire

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**3rd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Oswaldtwistle, Lancashire

Active in the 1880s to 1900s. Also known as Church and Oswaldtwistle Temperance Band

- 3rd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Temperance Band**  
Active in 1885
- 3rd Lancashire Volunteer Regiment Band**  
See: *Accrington Old Band*
- 3rd Lincolnshire Artillery Band** - Louth, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 3rd Lincolnshire Volunteer Rifles Band** - Grantham, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 3rd Manchester Rifles Band** - Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire  
Active in the 1900s
- 3rd Monmouth Battalion Band**  
Active in the 1900s to WW1
- 3rd Peeblesshire Volunteer Brass Band** - Innerleithen, Peeblesshire  
Formed in 1866, conductor Mr Millar.
- 3rd Suffolk Volunteers Band** - Woodbridge, Suffolk  
Active in the 1860s
- 3rd Tower Hamlets Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 3rd Volunteer Battalion Bedfordshire Regiment Band** - Biggleswade, Bedfordshire  
Active in the 1900s
- 3rd Volunteer Battalion Gloucester Regiment Band**  
See: *Bristol Britannia Band*
- 3rd Volunteer Battalion Kings Own Scottish Borders Band**  
Active in the 1890s
- 3rd Volunteer Battalion Welsh Regiment Band**  
Active in the 1900s
- 3rd Volunteers Royal Welsh Fusiliers Band** - Flintshire  
[previous name of current band] See: *Rhyl Silver Band*
- 3rd West Yorkshire Artillery Band** - Saltaire, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- 3rd West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Bradford, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Bradford Brass Band*
- 4th Ayrshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Largs, Ayrshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 4th Battalion 22nd Cheshire Regiment T.A. Brass Band**  
Active in the 1960s
- 4th Battalion King's Shropshire Light Infantry (T.A.) Brass Band**  
Active in the 1960s
- 4th Battalion Queen's Own Royal West Kent (T.A.) Brass Band**  
Active in the 1930s
- 4th Brigade Lancers Volunteer Artillery Corps Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 4th Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Modbury,  
Active in the 1860s
- 4th Durham Artillery Band**  
See: *West Hartlepool Old Operatic Brass Band*

**4th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s and the 1880s

**4th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Bacup, Lancashire**

See: *Bacup Old Band*

**4th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Chowbent, Lancashire**

Active in the 1880s

**4th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Newchurch, Lancashire**

See: *Newchurch Brass Band (1)*

**4th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Orrell,**

Active in the 1880s

**4th Lincolnshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band - Boston, Lincolnshire**

Active in the 1860s

**4th Northamptonshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**4th Nottingham Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in 1896, when on May 8th, under the direction of Bandmaster Belcher, they led the annual Volunteer Church Parade at the Priory Church and in the afternoon the band played a selection in the Marker Square.

**4th Rifle Volunteers Royal Scots Band**

Formed in 1868, active in the 1880s

**4th Roxburgh Rifles Brass Band - Hawick,**

Active in the 1860s and 1870s

**4th Staffordshire Home Guard Brass Band - Hanley, Staffordshire**

Active during WW2

**4th Staffordshire Rifle Corps Band**

See: *Walsall Rifle Corps Brass Band*

**4th Suffolk Rifle Volunteers Band - Bungay,**

Active in the 1860s

**4th Volunteer Battalion Essex Regiment Band**

Active in the 1890s

**4th Volunteer Battalion Hampshire Regiment Band**

Active in the 1900s

**4th Volunteer Battalion South Wales Borderers Band - Newport, Monmouthshire**

Active in the 1880s

**4th Volunteer Battalion Welsh Regiment Band - Llanelli, Carmarthenshire**

Active in the 1910s to WW1

**4th West Lancs R.F.A. Band**

Active in the 1900s and 1910s

**4th West Yorkshire Volunteer Rifles Band**

See: *Halifax Rifle Volunteers Band*

**5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment (T.A.) Band**

Active in the 1960s

**5th Battalion Manchester Regiment Band - Wigan, Lancashire**

Active in the 1930s

**5th Battalion Shropshire Home Guard Band - Shropshire**

Active in 1944

**5th Battalion Welsh Regiment (T.A.) Band**

Active in the 1930s and the 1960s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (3rd Section), conducted by T.W. Morgan

**5th Cheshire Artillery Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**5th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band - Gateshead, Durham**

Active in the 1880s

**5th Fife Volunteer Artillery Brass Band - Kirkcaldy, Fife**

Formed in 1862, conducted by Herr Roch.

**5th Gloucestershire Royal Artillery Band**

See: *Clevedon Silver Band*

**5th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Glasgow, Lanarkshire**

Active in the 1860s

**5th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band - Church, Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s

**5th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Accrington, Lancashire**

Active in the 1870s

**5th Northamptonshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s and the 1870s

**5th Oxfordshire Rifles Brass Band - Witney, Oxfordshire**

See: *Witney Brass Band*

**5th Seaham Old Scouts Brass Band - Durham**

Active in the late 1940s and 1950s

**5th Volunteer Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment Band**

Active in the 1900s

**5th West Medway Boy Scouts Brass Band - Kent**

Active in the 1950s

**5th West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Wakefield, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

Active in the 1870s

**6th Battalion South Staffs Regiment Band - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire**

See: *John Thompson Works Prize Band*

**6th Battalion Welsh Regiment (T.A.) Band**

Active in the 1920s and the 1960s. Competed in the 1964 West of England Regional Championships (4th Section), conducted by Tom Jones

**6th Cambridgeshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**

Active in the 1860s

**6th Devon Artillery Volunteers Band - Dartmouth, Devon**

Active in the 1860s

**6th Dorsetshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band - Dorset**

Active in the 1860s

**6th Dumfriesshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Moffat,**

Active in the 1870s

**6th Hampshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**6th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1890s



**6th North Liverpool Scouts Brass Band**

Active in the late 1940s

**6th North Yorkshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band - Scarborough, Yorkshire (North Riding)**

See: *Scarborough Rifle Volunteers Band*

**6th Northamptonshire Volunteer Rifles (Peterborough) Band**

See: *Peterborough Rifles Band*

**6th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Burslem,**

Active in the 1870s and 1880s

**6th Suffolk Rifle Volunteers Band - Stowmarket, Suffolk**

Active in the 1860s

**6th Sussex Rifle Volunteers Band - Sussex**

Active in the 1860s

**7th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (TA) Band - Bonnybridge,**

See: *Bonnybridge Silver Band*

**7th Battalion 22nd Cheshire Regiment T.A. Band**

Active in the 1960s

**7th Battalion King's Lancashire Regiment Band - Southport, Lancashire**

Active in 1909

**7th Duke of Cornwall's Rifle Volunteers Band - Helston, Cornwall**

Active in the 1860s to 1890s

**7th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**7th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Accrington, Lancashire**

See: *Accrington Old Band*

**7th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Enfield, Lancashire**

Active in the late 1860s

**7th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Oldham, Lancashire**

See: *Oldham Rifles Band*

**7th Shropshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**7th Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Lennoxton, Stirlingshire**

Active in the 1860s

**7th Sussex Rifle Volunteers Band**

See: *Horsham Foresters' Brass Band*

**8th Cambridgeshire Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1860s

**8th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1870s

**8th Essex Rifle Volunteers Band**

Active in the 1870s

**8th Surrey Rifles Band - Surrey**

See: *Mitcham Brass Band*

**8th West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band - Rotherham, Yorkshire (West Riding)**

See: *Rotherham Volunteers Band*

**9th Battalion Home Guard Band - Leicester, Leicestershire**

[previous name of current band] See: *Foresters Brass 2000*

- 9th Dorsetshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 9th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band**  
Active in the 1870s
- 9th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Kirkmuirhill, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1880s
- 9th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 9th Lincolnshire Rifle Corps Saxhorn Band** - Horncastle, Lincolnshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 9th Sussex Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 9th Wiltshire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band** - Bradford-upon-Avon, Wiltshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 10th Battalion Manchester Regiment Oldham Rifles Prize Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Oldham Rifles Band*
- 10th Fife Artillery Volunteers East Wemyss Band** - Fife  
See: *East Wemyss Brass Band*
- 10th Forfar Highland Rifle Volunteers Band** - Fife  
Active in the 1870s
- 10th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 10th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lancaster, Lancashire  
Active in the 1870s
- 10th Manchester Regiment Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Oldham Rifles Band*
- 10th Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s
- 11th Dunbartonshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Dunbartonshire  
See: *Cumbernauld Brass Band*
- 11th Durham Rifles Band** - Durham  
Active in 1861
- 11th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Preston, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- 11th Northumberland Volunteers Band** - Corbridge,  
See: *Acomb Brass Band*
- 11th Staffordshire Rifles Band** - Staffordshire  
Active in 1863
- 11th Suffolk Volunteer Rifles Band** - Sudbury, Suffolk  
Active in the 1860s
- 12th Battalion Royal West Kent Guards Band** - Kent  
See: *Chatham Town Band*
- 12th Devon Artillery Volunteers Band** - Devonport, Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- 12th Glamorgan Rifle Volunteers Band** - Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan  
Active in the 1870s

- 12th Gloucester Home Guard Brass Band** - Bristol, Gloucestershire  
Active during WW2
- 12th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s
- 12th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers Band** - Barnet, Middlesex  
Active in the 1860s
- 12th North Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Redmire, Yorkshire (North Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- 13th Cheshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Stalybridge, Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 13th Glamorgan Rifle Volunteers Corporation Band** - Glamorgan  
[previous name of current band] See: *City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band*
- 13th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Southport Rifles Brass Band*
- 14th Battalion Lancashire Home Guard Brass Band** - Horwich, Lancashire  
Active during WW2
- 14th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band** - Felling, Durham  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- 14th Glamorgan Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glamorgan  
Active in the 1870s
- 14th Suffolk Rifle Volunteers Band** - Beccles, Suffolk  
Active in the 1860s
- 14th West Riding Home Guard Brass Band** - York, Yorkshire  
Active during WW2
- 15th Durham Rifle Volunteers Band** - Darlington, Durham  
Active in the 1860 to the 1880s
- 15th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- 15th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s to the 1880s
- 15th Staffordshire Home Guard Brass Band** - Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire  
Active during WW2
- 16th Kent Rifle Volunteers Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s
- 16th Somerset Rifle Volunteers Band** - Somerset  
See: *Yeovil Corporation Band*
- 16th West Yorks Rifles Band** - Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Silsden Brass Band*
- 17th Derbyshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Clay Cross,  
See: *Clay Cross Volunteer Band*
- 17th Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Totnes, Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- 17th Duke of Cornwall Rifle Volunteers Band** - Redruth, Cornwall  
Active in the 1860s
- 17th Kent Rifle Volunteers Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s

- 17th Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- 17th West Riding Rifle Volunteers Band** - Knaresborough, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1850s and 1860s
- 18th Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Okehampton, Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- 18th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- 19th Battalion Durham Light Infantry Home Guard Band** - Durham  
Active during WW2
- 19th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 20th Armoured Car Corps Brass Band** - Kirkcaldy, Fife  
Active in the 1930s
- 20th Duke of Cornwall's Rifles Band** - St Just, Cornwall  
Active in the 1860s to the 1880s
- 20th North Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Yorkshire (North Riding)  
See: *Guisborough Rifle Volunteers Band*
- 20th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - West Bromwich, Staffordshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s
- 20th West Riding Yorkshire Volunteer Rifles Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- 21st Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lancashire  
Active in the 1880s
- 21st London Regiment Band (1st Surrey Rifles)** - Surrey  
Active in the 1930s
- 21st West Yorkshire Volunteer Rifles Band** - Doncaster, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1860s
- 22nd Lancashire Artillery Volunteers Band** - Church, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s
- 22nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Oldham) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Oldham Rifles Band*
- 22nd West Riding Home Guard Brass Band** - Brighouse, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active during WW2
- 23rd Derbyshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glossop, Derbyshire  
See: *Glossop Volunteers Band*
- 23rd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Oldham) Band** - Lancashire  
See: *Oldham Rifles Band*
- 24th Kent Rifle Volunteers Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s
- 24th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Rochdale) Band** - Rochdale, Lancashire  
See: *Rochdale Rifles Band*
- 25th Kent Rifle Volunteers Band** - Kent  
Active in the 1860s
- 25th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Glasgow, Lanarkshire  
Active in the 1860s and 1870s

- 25th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Liverpool, Lancashire  
Active in the 1860s
- 25th Staffordshire Volunteer Rifles (Stafford) Band** - Stafford, Staffordshire  
See: *Stafford Rifles Brass Band*
- 26th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers Band** - Middlesex  
Active in the 1860s
- 26th West Riding Home Guard Brass Band** - Huddersfield, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active during WW2
- 27th Devon Rifle Volunteers Band** - Colyton, Devon  
Active in the 1860s
- 27th Manchester Company Boys Brigade Old Boys Silver Band** - Manchester, Lancashire  
Active in the late 1940s
- 27th Warwickshire Home Guard Brass Band** - Birmingham, Warwickshire  
Active during WW2
- 29th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Lanarkshire  
See: *Airdrie Union Band*
- 29th West York Rifle Volunteer Band** - Dewsbury, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
See: *Dewsbury Rifle Corps Band*
- 30th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers Band** - Ealing, Middlesex  
Active in the 1860s
- 31st Lancashire Rifle Volunteers (Oldham) Band**  
See: *Oldham Rifles Band*
- 32nd Lancashire Battalion Home Guard Band** - Bacup, Lancashire  
Active in 1940s
- 32nd Oldham Troop Boy Scouts Band**  
See: *Chadderton Christ Church Brass Band*
- 34th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers Band**  
See: *Wednesbury Brass Band*
- 34th West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Saddleworth, Yorkshire (West Riding)  
Active in the 1870s and 1880s
- 35th Cheshire Home Guard Brass Band** - Hyde, Cheshire  
Active during WW2
- 35th Cheshire Rifle Volunteers Band** - Bromborough Pool, Cheshire  
Active in the 1860s
- 36th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers Band**  
Active in the 1860s
- 37th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band**  
Active in the 1870s
- 38th Cheshire Home Guard Brass Band** - Stockport, Cheshire  
Active during WW2
- 41st Boys Brigade Old Boys Brass Band** - Turnpike Lane, London (North)  
Active in the 1960s
- 41st Coy London Boys Brigade Brass Band**  
Active in the 1940s and 1950s
- 41st Lancashire Home Guard Brass Band** - Prestwich, Lancashire  
Active during WW2

**41st West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers (Mirfield) Band**

See: *Mirfield Old Band*

**42nd (Boots) Silver Band**

See: *Boots Plaisaunce Band*

**44 (HC) Signal Regiment (Cinque Ports) Brass Band**

Active in the 1960s

**48th Lancashire Home Guard Brass Band - Ardwick, Lancashire**

Active during WW2

**49th Lancashire Home Guard Brass Band - Manchester, Lancashire**

See: *Crossley Brothers Brass Band*

**50th Duke of Lancaster's Home Guard Brass Band - Ancoats, Lancashire**

Active during WW2

**50th Signal Regiment T.A. Brass Band - Darlington, Durham**

Active in the 1960s

**51st Lancashire Volunteer Rifle Corps Band**

Active in 1860s

**55th Royal Engineers T.A. Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1920s

**71st A.A. Searchlight Regiment Brass Band - Manchester, Lancashire**

Active in 1939

**82nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band - Hindley, Lancashire**

See: *All Saints Brass Band (Hindley)*

**82nd Wandsworth Squadron ATC Band**

A set of brass band instruments was given to the ATC. The Bandmaster was WO Johnstone-Harry who had been invalided out of the RAF Central Band, following 12 years service with the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry Band.

**84th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Padiham - Lancashire**

Active from the 1860s to the 1880s

**88th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers Band**

See: *Haslingden Rifle Volunteers Band*

**95th Squadron A.T.C. Crewe Band**

See: *Crewe Squadron A.T.C. Band*

**105 Corps Engineer Regiment T.A. Band - Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland**

Active in the 1960s, conducted by Walter Wilson.

**114 Army Engineer Regiment R.E. (T.A.) Hackney Brass Band - Middlesex**

Active in the 1950s

**115 Army Construction Regiment R.E. (T.A.) Brass Band - Fareham, Hampshire**

Active in the 1950s and 1960s

**118th Glasgow Boys? Brigade Band - Lanarkshire**

[previous name of current band] See: *King's Park Brass*

**150th Liverpool Scouts Brass Band - Lancashire**

Active in the 1930s

**150th Northumbrian Column Territorial Army Band - Northumberland**

See: *West Hull Prize Band*

**176 (Heavy Battery) Royal Artillery (TA) Band** - Harwich, Essex

Formed in Harwich by those who left the Harwich Town Band in 1936. Bandmaster was Stan Whitmore. When the Territorials were called to the Colours, the members were dispersed and the band went out of existence after just 3 years.

**256th Wessex Royal Artillery (TA) Band** - Devon

Active in the late 1950s and early 1960s

**279th Royal Artillery (TA) Band** - Kilmarnock, Ayrshire

Active in the early 1960s

**283rd Field Regiment Royal Artillery (TA) Band** - Cardiff, Glamorgan

Active in the late 1950s and early 1960s

**308th Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry Band**

See: *Suffolk Yeomanry Brass Band*

**383rd Field Regiment Royal Artillery (T.A.) Band** - Portsmouth, Hampshire

Active in the 1950s and the 1960s. Competed in the 1962 West of England Regional Championships, conducted by W.O.I. Davies.

**608 North Riding Fighter Squadron Auxiliary Air Force Band** - Thornaby-on-Tees, Yorkshire  
North Riding

Based at Thornaby-on-Tees. Active in 1937. The Band Master was Mr Suttill

**1024 (East Wight) Squadron A.T.C. Silver Band** - Hampshire (Isle of Wight)

Active in 1951-1952

**1881 Squadron ATC Brass Band** - Marlow, Buckinghamshire

Active in 1945