



# *Bishopstone Brass Band*

1889 - 1894

## **1889 Supper**

On Wednesday evening the members of Bishopstone Brass Band were entertained to a sumptuous supper, generously provided by Mr. W. Dore, shew his appreciation of their progress. The Rev. Ault, president of the Band, and Messrs. C. Hibbard, Hickman, A. Dore, J. Povey, and H. Mulcock, were also present as invited guests. The proceedings after supper were of a social and pleasing character.

Selections were played by the band, and numerous songs sung. A vote of thanks was proposed by the Vicar to Mr. Dore, and company gave three hearty cheers, and the chorus, "For he's a jolly good fellow". The singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close. Great praise is due to Mrs. E. A. Lawrence for her admirable management as *chef*.

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## **1891 Dancing on the Ice**

During the late severe weather the large pond of the Bishopstone flour mill was frozen over for more than six weeks, and afforded much enjoyment in the day of skating and sliding. One evening the Bishopstone Brass Band (conductor, Mr. J. Wrigley) assembled in the centre of the pond, and to their strains a numerous gathering of old and young indulged in dancing. The picturesque scene was enhanced by the brilliant moonlight, and will long be remembered. At the close hearty cheers were given for the band, and the National Anthem was sung.

## **Band Concert and Social Evening**

The fourth annual concert of the Bishopstone Brass Band was given in the schoolroom on Tuesday in last week. The first part of the programme was as follows:-

Mrs. Wrigley, Miss Wrigley, Miss. Bertha Wrigley, Miss Dixon, Messrs. R. Redford, E. Cowles, and J. Wrigley;  
pianoforte solo  
Miss Westell; song  
Mrs Wrigley; pianoforte solo  
Miss Dixon; song  
Mr. E. Cowles; pianoforte solo

Mr. J. Wrigley; song

"See our Oars"  
"Immer Wieder"

"The "Loyal Lovers"  
"Beethoven's Sonata, No. 20"  
"Old England's still the same"  
"Melssohn's Lieder Ohne Worte, No. 20"  
"Home"

Miss Dixon; song  
Mr. J. Wrigley, round  
Mrs. Wrigley, Miss Dixon, and Mr. J. Wrigley

"They all love Jack"  
"How great is the Pleasure"  
"Awake, Æolian Lyre" and "True Till Death"

Subsequently the band played a number of polkas, schottisches, and waltzes.

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## **1893 Supper**

Mr. and Mrs. E. Stone, of the Royal Oak, kindly provided a supper for the members of the Bishopstone brass band on Monday in last week. The club room in which the supper was held was prettily decorated with evergreens and appropriate mottoes, the work of Miss Stone and Messrs. E. Stone, junr., and W. Cowles. Following a most liberal repast the usual loyal toasts were given and duly honoured.

Selections of music by the band, and songs by various members were given during the evening. The proceedings terminated by a hearty vote of thanks to Host and Hostess Stone for the enjoyable evening afforded, and by the singing of the national Anthem.

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## **Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Bishopstone Brass Band was held in the band room on the 5th inst. Mr. C. J. Hibberd was voted to the chair, and the secretary submitted the annual accounts which showed that £16 12s. 1d. had been received during the year, and the payments were made as follows:- Paid to bandsman £9 4s. 6d.; new cornet £2 5s 0d.; repairs and sundries (including £1 12s. 6d. due to secretary last year) £5 0s. 2d. leaving a balance in hand of 2s. 5d. The accounts were passed without discussion.

The resignation of the Rev. H. Ault as president was received and accepted. For the committee Messrs. Hibberd, Hickman, Dore, and Stone were elected. Messrs. W. Cowles and E. Stone jun. were appointed to represent the bandsmen on the committee; Mr. R. Maisey was elected treasurer, and Mr. E. Wrigley secretary.

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## **1894 Band Meeting**

On Friday last the annual meeting of the Bishopstone Brass Band was held at the Royal Oak Inn. Mr. C. I. Hibbard being chairman. The balance sheet was read, and showed that the band is without debt. Mr. J. Wrigley resigned his office as bandmaster. The officers for the ensuing year were elected and Mr. R. Redford was appointed bandmaster.

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