

# **NEW VENTURES NOTES**

#### November 2022

#### NORTHUMBERLAND NEW VENTURES BAND (NNVB)

#### **EXECUTIVE 2022-2023**

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**INTRO** David Marshall *dmarshall7@cogeco.ca* 

**BIG BAND** David Marshall *dmarshall7@cogeco.ca* 



Founding Director Glenn Bailey conducting Avanti Band December 2018

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>: Orders accepted for Third Annual Empire Cheese Fundraiser. FINAL cheese poster 2022

Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>: "Celebrate the Season" Concert, 2 pm at Trinity United Church 284 Division St., Cobourg. Set-up and Dress Rehearsal that morning.

Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>: Cheese order pick up at Rehearsal Hall,387 Ontario Street at University.

- Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023: Regular Rehearsals Resume.
- Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023: Dress Rehearsal & Final Concert.
- Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023: Bottle Drive fundraiser
- Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023: Yard Sale

# **VOLUNTEERS WELCOME**

Volunteering is your chance to give back to the band for the enrichment it provides to its members and to the wider community. We particularly welcome family and friends of our members as volunteers.

For every event, there will be a call for volunteers for different roles, including photography. For more information, email *info@newventuresband.com* 

#### November 2022 cont'd.

**REHEARSAL SCHEDULE** The Orange Hall, 387 Ontario St., Cobourg

**AVANTI (experienced)** Wednesday 7 to 9 pm

MEZZO (intermediate) Thursday 7:30 to 9 pm

INTRO (beginner) Thursday 6-7 pm

**BIG BAND** Friday 1:30 to 3 pm

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR** Marg Clarkson

We welcome submissions of your brief profile and photo to be used in upcoming issues of New Ventures Notes.

Please email Marg at braysister2@gmail.com if you wish to submit content or if you prefer to unsubscribe from this newsletter.

#### **GENERAL INQUIRIES** *info@newventuresband.com*

OUR WEBSITE

newventuresband.com

#### **FACEBOOK**

https://www.facebook.com/ groups/639646610798868/

#### **Our Charitable Status**

The Band is a not-for-profit registered Charitable Organization, registration number: 83167 3389 RR001.

### **Avanti Director Shawn Hills**



Shawn received her Honours Bachelor of Music and her Bachelor of Education from Western University in London. She studied clarinet under Jerome Summers and Avrahm Galper and conducting under Don McKellar, Jerome Summers and Deral Johnson. Shawn is a retired music educator who thrived and grew as a teacher conductor for 30 years with the Kawartha Pine Ridge Board of Education. Shawn has performed with and conducted the Clarington Concert Band, the New Horizons Band in Bowmanville and was

a guest conductor for the Laurier University Wind Ensemble. She continues to work as a clinician and adjudicator. She is looking forward to this next musical journey with the Avanti Band.

### Mezzo Director Trevor Gillman



A freelance woodwind professional and private music teacher since his teens, Trevor has a diverse musical background. He has performed as a sideman and leader with concert bands, swing and show bands and jazz and rock ensembles. Trevor thrives on encouraging musicians to reach their potential while bringing humour and fun to the learning experience.

### Intro & Big Band Director David Marshall



David is a retired music teacher with both Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education degrees. He was a professional trumpet player for over 60 years and has played in many swing bands and in over 30 musicals. David directs our Big Band, which he initiated a few years ago as another New Ventures band. This season David looks forward to directing the Intro Band and the Big Band.

## BAND SPOTLIGHT: MARG & BRIAN CLARKSON

To help band members get to know one another better, from time to time this newsletter will feature individual profiles such as this contribution by Marg Clarkson, Newsletter Editor:



Brian and I joined NNVB in its beginning year of 2014. Brian, an experienced clarinet player with The Concert Band of Cobourg, took up the euphonium and I was a first time flute player. We are now members of the Avanti Band as well as the Swing Band. I am a retired physiotherapist and Brian a retired Chief Operating Officer for Horizon Plastics. Our daughter Casey's family settled in Fredericton and our son Ian's family in Victoria. Between them we are blessed with four adorable grandchildren, two on either coast. This year marked our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, made even more special by having both families in Cobourg for a week in July.