

12 January, 1942, continued.

"Mr. Sutcliffe said that he felt a strong Citizens' Committee could be formed to co-operate with the Ladies and the Band."

"It was agreed to recommend to the Ladies (Committee that the first social evening be held on Monday 26th January."

"In closing the meeting Mr. McDonald said that many big things had been accomplished from a small start, and he felt sure that from the enthusiasm shown the Band could look forward to the future with confidence."

Committee, January 26, 1942.

"The President briefly referred to the death of the Chairman and Mr. F.E. Werner was elected to the vacant position." (Death H.G. Brownlee).

Correspondence. "1, Dominion Lodge granting use of Lodge room without charge."
"2. Commanding Officer, National Military Reserve, invitation to play at Camp 1st February....That the invitation be accepted."

"That Mr. F.G. Roberts be appointed to the United Services Committee."

"That the Bandmaster be given authority to have the two Basses repaired."

"Band, 29th Jany., 1942."

"The President referred to the loss sustained by the Band in the death of Sergeant H.G. Brownlee."

"That this Band place on record its sincere regret at the death of the late Sergeant, Henry Gilbert Brownlee, and its deepest appreciation of his long service of over 30 years as a member of the Band, of his hard work freely given, of his help to the younger members, of his co-operation with the older members, of his loyalty to all in authority over him, and his unfailing courtesy to all who had any dealings with him in connection with Band matters."

"Officers to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Sergt. H.G. Brownlee were nominated and elected as possible,

Sergeant - Mr. F.E. Werner.

Corporal - Mr. D. Edwards.

Committee - Mr. D. Edwards."

(The 30 years service, and 48 mentioned above, show an unbroken line from as far back as 1912 and 1894, indicating links right back to the Thames Navals.)
(The Battalion Band fits into the sequence.)

Annual General Meeting, Druids' Hall, Monday (21) December 1942 at 8 p.m. (Date left blank.) Present : W.B. McDonald (Chairman), W? Werner, H. Sutcliffe, H. Brien, A. Brien, G. Henderson, D. Donnelly, E. Oakley, D. Rhodes, J. Walker, J. Robinson, F.G. Roberts, F.C. Clarke, A.G. Large, F. Crosbie, George Cosgrove, P. Mortimer, C. Johnston and D. Edwards. Apology C. Lidington.

"The annual report dealing with activities and the financial position of the Band was read by the Secretary." (Finance was evidently no longer causing anxiety)

Election of Officers.

Patron : James Thorn and S. Ensor, Mayor, nominated, voted in James Thorn M
Vice Patron : Both Ensor and Burk.

President : W.B. McDonald.

Vice-Presidents : Messrs. Wilton, Wilfred Danby, R.M. Rhodes, I?G. Baker, C. Coakley and Sydney C. Muir.

Bandmaster : Mr. Sutcliffe.

Deputy Bandmaster : H. Brien.

Sergeant : F.E. Werner.

Corporals : Edwards and A? Brien.

Lance Corporals : Roberts and A. Brien to carry on.

Secretary & Treasurer - Left in abeyance following resignation E.O. Brownlee
A.G. Large pro tem, and deputation to wait on Brownlee to reconsider.