## <u>Bookings</u>

Over recent years, due to the overwhelming development and increased popularity of Rushen Silver Band, we have noticed a significant growth in the number of engagement requests received.

We are finding it increasingly difficult to meet all of these requests, and in order to cope and assist with the demand for our services, we have drawn up a booking form for organisations/individuals to use when requesting the services of the Band.

Rushen Silver Band now encompasses two groups involving around 60 – 75 people, these are: -

- Rushen Silver Band
- Rushen Silver Band Junior Band

In order to sustain these groups, with the ever-increasing burden this places on our finances (currently it costs the Band around £6,000 per annum to make ends meet), we rely solely on the funds we are able to generate from: -

- Concerts;
- Other Engagements;
- Fundraising;
- Charitable grants;
- Donations.

We consider every request based on its merits and the prior commitments schedule of the Band. We also endeavour to undertake exceptional circumstances with regard to charitable engagements or short notice bookings.

I would ask you that if for any reason the Band is unable to fulfil your engagement on this occasion, to place a request, via a booking form to the Secretary, as soon as possible for the future. Bookings are taken on a first come first served basis.

If you would like to book the Band, please use the online booking form on the following pages, and our Band Secretary will get into contact with you. Alternatively you can call the Band Secretary (currently Peter Faragher) on 07624 493193.

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Name of Organisation (if applicable)			
Contact Name			
Contact Address			
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Postcode			
Contact Telephone Number Contact Mobile Number			
Contact Mobile Number Contact Email Address			
Date of Event			
Name of Venue			
Address of Venue			
Postcode			
Venue Telephone Number			
Contact Name at Venue (if different from			
above)			
How long before the concert can the venue be			Minutes / Hour(s)
open to let the Band set-up?			
Type of Event			
Will there be a formal audience for the Band?		Yes / No	
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Do you just want backgro	ound music?	Yes / No	
Are other groups also ta	king part in the same	Yes / No	
event?			
If other groups are taking part, how do you			
propose sharing out the time and space?			
Performance		Indoors / Outdoors	
How long do you want th			mit a falla mit a a a
Performance Timings	1 <sup>st</sup> /Concert	Start Time:	Finish Time:
	2 <sup>nd</sup> (if applies)	Start Time:	Finish Time:
Size of area available for	3 <sup>rd</sup> (if applies)	Start Time:	Finish Time:

Requests for any particular types of music ie birthday celebration, Manx		
Style of Music required	Mixed / Light & Popular / Classical / Film & Shows / Military / Dance / Spiritual / Hymns / Carols / Christmas / Bavarian / Other	
Parking Facilities	Car Park/Off Road/Local Street/Other/None	
Changing Facilities	Male/Female/Mixed/None	
Room to store Instrument Cases	Yes / No	
Refreshments provided for Band	Yes / No	

Any Other Details	

To help us perform to the best of our capabilities, the Band would appreciate the following being made available: -

- will require 35 chairs without arms to play at your engagement;
- a room, preferably, to leave instrument cases, coats etc;
- a parking space as close to a suitable entrance as possible to unload equipment from our van,

Please book early to avoid disappointment, we can sometimes get requests to play up to a year before the event itself.

As Rushen Silver Band is only an amateur band, you will not have to pay professional rates. However, a donation towards the upkeep of the Band would be appreciated, it costs a lot of money to run a brass band.

Please email your completed booking form to <u>enquiries@rushensilverband.org.im</u>, or post to:

Peter Faragher Band Secretary Rushen Silver Band 16 Close Cam Port Erin Isle of Man IM9 6NB