



## Back to the (shiny) future

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Back to the Future - Test Valley Brass entertains, remembers and looks forwards, all in a good cause

Test Valley Brass: past, present and future comes together next Sunday (October 4th) for a concert at The Lights, Andover, which raises money for stroke victims.

Ten years ago, while the band was competing in the National Brass Band finals, percussionist Len Winfield suffered a serious stroke. Now that band, who over a period of five years achieved unprecedented success, are reuniting to play in a joint concert with current senior and youth bands.

The band are donating all profits to Salisbury Stroke Care Fund 'Stars' Appeal.

Some of the players on show will be fresh from their latest outing on the national competition stage, as the band compete in Harrogate in their first qualification for a national finals for five years.

Musical Director Steve Large said:

"The Lights concert will rekindle many a memory and many a friendship. There will be mixing of the expert musicianship of seasoned players with the effervescence and enthusiasm of our talented youngsters. It also promises an entertaining extravaganza of music in a good cause."

"Our band in Harrogate comprises a talented selection of players from youth and senior bands, who qualified by taking third place in the south west regional contest in March. It is a great privilege to be able to represent our area once again on a national stage."

Tickets are available from The Lights box office.