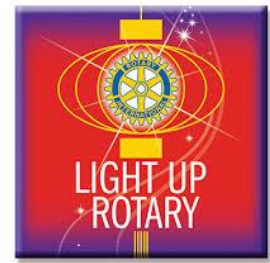




DISTRICT 1040  
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2013/2014 proved to be another excellent year for District 1040 and the Young Musician competition. The number of clubs running Young Musician events was up again, with competitions being held by Keighley, Aireborough, Ripon/Ripon Rowels (in conjunction with Inner Wheel), Northallerton, York Vikings, Halifax, Pocklington and Market Weighton, and Pickering. It was pleasing to welcome Halifax back and also Pocklington and Market Weighton for the first time. Unfortunately, Knaresborough could not take part, but will hopefully have a competition in 2014/15. Other clubs are reviewing their position regarding participation in Young Musician for 2014/15.

The sixth District Final was again held at the superb National Centre for Early Music in York, with 6 young performers selected to represent District 1040 at the Regional Final hosted by District 1070 in Loughborough. Only one singer and one instrumentalist were able to progress from the Regional Final to the National Final in Kent. The competition was fierce; District 1040 was represented at the Regional Final by:



Jake Jones – trombone - sponsored by Keighley - Jake performing at his second Regional Final.



Stephanie Frankland – saxophone - sponsored by York Vikings – Stephanie reached the Regional and National Finals in 2013/14



Joy Sutcliffe – voice - sponsored by Ripon/Ripon Rowels.



Harry Kneeshaw – violin - sponsored by Pocklington and Market Weighton.



Georgia Bowe – clarinet - sponsored by York Vikings – Georgia performing at her second Regional Final.



Annie Howard – voice - sponsored by York Vikings.

Clubs may organise competitions in their own way, although most follow the pattern of the District Final, i.e. in three age groups corresponding to school years, i.e. Years 7, 8 and 9, Years 10 and 11, and Sixth Form. The Regional and National Finals, however, are run as open age competitions. Clubs are given the opportunity to send one representative from each age group to the District Final.

#### News of Young Musician Alumni:

Amy-Jayne Milton – flute (sponsored by York Vikings) the National winner in 2013, has played first flute in the Royal College of Music orchestra, as well as performing the Nilsson flute concerto with an orchestra in Harrogate.

Georgia Bowe – clarinet (sponsored by York Vikings) twice Regional finalist, is commencing her studies at York University, reading Music.

Jake Jones – trombone (sponsored by Keighley) twice Regional finalist and second last year, has had master classes with John Wallace and Dennis Rollins. His jazz ensemble, Take 4 6/8 played one of his compositions at the National Festival of Music for Youth.

Alastair Wright – saxophone (sponsored by York Vikings) winner of the first ever York competition, will be touring France and the UK in 2015 and shortly releasing a first album as part of the Dasch Saxophone Quartet.

Dates for 2014/15 so far arranged are:

- Knaresborough – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014
- Northallerton – 15<sup>th</sup> November 2014
- Ripon/Ripon Rowels (with Inner Wheel) – 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014
- York Vikings – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2014
- Pickering – TBA
- Keighley – 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015
- Halifax – 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014
- Aireborough – TBA
- Pocklington and Market Weighton - TBA
- District 1040 Final to be held at the National Centre for Early Music – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015
- Regional Final to be held in the Chapel at St Peter's School York – 28<sup>th</sup> March 2015
- National Final to be held in Darwen in Lancashire – 16<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Good luck with all your music making.