## POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Musical Director - Nelson Social Band

APPOINTMENT: A Nominee is selected by Social Band membership

by simple majority vote, then to be approved by

Nelson City Brass Executive Board.

TENURE: Three months initially with an ongoing right of

renewal by agreement with Nelson City Brass

Executive Board.

REPORTING: To the Nelson City Brass Executive Board through a

nominated Board member.

## <u>Overview</u>

The Nelson Social Band membership constitutes musicians who enjoy playing brass band music at social level for pleasure. The music played is suitable for the instrumentation and skill level of the band. From time to time easy listening programmes may be played at public performances with the agreement and availability of members.

It is not intended that the social band as group performs in a competitive environment nor at major concerts. This does not preclude individuals or ensembles playing in competitions.

All ages and skill levels are welcome members of the band. Rehearsals are held weekly.

# Musical Director Duties and Responsibilities

## Plan a Performance Schedule

The Musical Director coordinates and produces an annual schedule of performances for the band In cooperation with the band members.. This schedule to be approved by **Nelson City Brass Executive Board**.

### Select Music

The Musical Directors selects and plans music the band will perform in collaboration with members.

Music chosen is to develop the playing ability of the band as a group and individuals within the band. The music is to be appropriate for the band to perform in public and of a variety that is enjoyable to play and listen to.

The music is to utilise and display the talents and skills of the of the band but limited in difficulty to enable all members to participate fully and enjoy.

#### Rehearse and Train

The Musical Director will work with the band members to improve their skills and prepare for performances.

A Band Leader is to be selected and given opportunity to conduct the band to gain sufficient experience to deputise for the Musical Director when this is necessary.

#### **Lead Performances**

The Musical Director conducts all performances of the band but may also accompany these performances by playing an instrument.

The Musical Directors is the public face of the social band.

Appropriate behaviour and recognition of the band performances is always to be a prime consideration.

# **Musical Director Skills**

To be well organised and a strong leader

To be creative, tenacious and dependable

To have excellent interpersonal skills and be comfortable in front of the band and public

To have experience in programming and hosting music programs

To be competent announcing with clear annunciation

To have in-depth knowledge of music

To have ability to use computers

To effectively recruit, train and lead musicians

To be proficient in at least one performance area, such as keyboard, brass, choral or voice

Remuneration: This is an unpaid voluntary position.		
Social Band Musical Director	President	Secretary
Date:		