**Nepean Concert Band - AGM**

**President’s Report - January 23, 2019**

 Why do we all come out to band each Wednesday? Because we love to play music and more importantly, we love to play music with others. *The main objective of the band is to promote interest in concert band music by providing an opportunity for non-professional musicians and high school and university students to advance their musical education*.  I believe, under the direction of Terry Duncan, we have been (and will continue to be) successful in meeting this primary objective.

The year has progressed like many other years – we performed our concert series, played outdoor concerts and performed at a couple retirements homes. We chose not to attend the Lake George Community Band Festival, which we have been attending since 2007 (although we have committed to attending in 2019).

Our concert series performances have the dual purpose of providing a forum to showcase our hard work and to help with the band’s expenses. Terry and the music selection committee have provided us with a varied mix of music that resulted in interesting and enjoyable concerts for both us as performers and for the listening pleasure of our audiences.

It is the dedication of band members and our conductor that make things run smoothly, from showing up with your instruments each week to putting in extra time and assistance to get all those other “little” things done that are necessary for the band to function well each Wednesday and at concerts. To all of you, thank-you.

I would like to also thank the executive committee for their efforts and valuable contributions. It made for a very pleasant first year when working with such a committed team.

I would like to acknowledge Linda Taylor-Hall and Evan Huss as they are stepping down from their positions as General Manager and Interim Chair of the Music Selection Committee.

If you have any ideas, comments or feedback, please continue to share them with myself or anyone on the Executive.

It is an honour to be the President of the Nepean Concert Band and I look forward to another year of our continued musical success.

Thank you

Cairine Thomas