



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

2023 Australian National Band Championships: A Celebration of Community through Music

The Band Association of NSW invites you to become a proud supporter of the 2023 Australian National Band Championships.

The Australian National Band Championships have been held annually since 1935. Each year they rotate around the country and are organised by the local State Association, with the 2023 Nationals being held in NSW and organised by the Band Association of NSW.

Having been formed in November 1895 and held the NSW State Band Championships annually since 1896, the Band Association of NSW is one of Australia's oldest incorporated Associations and the NSW States Band Championships, one of Australia's longest-running annual events.

The 2023 Australian National Band Championships will be held in Newcastle, NSW, over Easter, 7 – 10 April. This will be the first time in 4 years that the Australian banding community can come together as a movement making the 2023 Nationals a celebration of community through music.

The venue for the Championships is the Newcastle Town Hall and the Newcastle Civic Theatre.

The program consists of 3 days of Band music spread across 4 open categories and 3 youth (U19 years) categories for Brass Bands and Symphonic Wind Bands (Concert Bands). The event also sees 70 Solo and Ensemble Championship events covering the full range of brass and symphonic wind band instruments.

We look forward to welcoming over 85 Bands from all across Australia, New Zealand and beyond.

The Championships will see approximately 5500 individual musicians participating across the long weekend. We will also see many supporters and the band loving public coming to celebrate the joy of live music in the spirit of friendly competition.

The band events are live streamed to a national and international audience of approximately 30,000 individual viewers.

We invite you to be a part of this wonderful celebration of a return to Live Music and come on board as a proud sponsor of the 2023 Australian National Band Championships.

Sincerely,

Jeff Markham
2023 Chairperson

