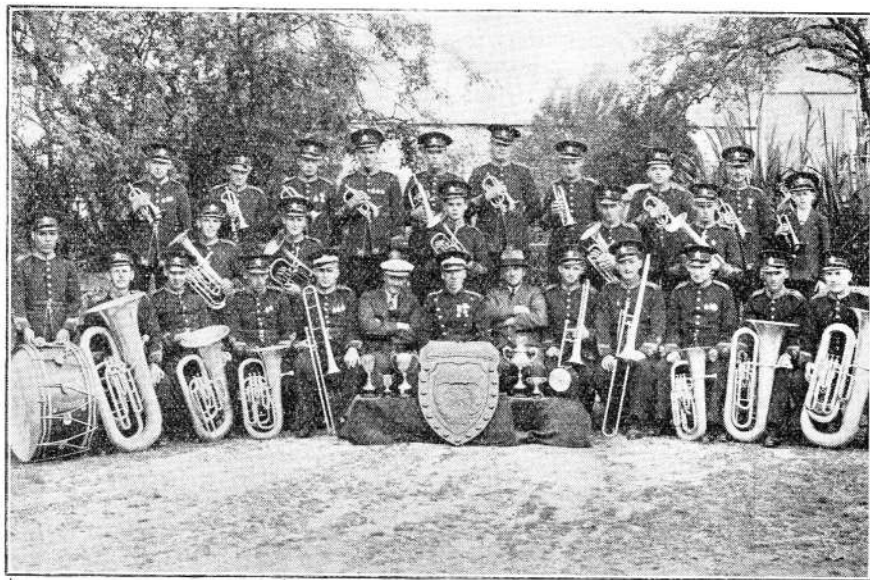


Gweek Silver Band

On this page we publish a picture of Gweek Silver Band, which was formed in 1925, when fifteen young men of the village purchased some instruments from the Middlesbrough Industrial School for about £30. In January, 1926, Mr. T. Boulden was elected chairman, with Mr. S. J. Moyle, bandmaster, and W. J. Williams, hon. sec., and it was due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Moyle, who coached those who were then beginners, that in 1927, when the late Mr. Gordon Floyd was elected bandmaster, the band were then able to take their first engagements. The position was held by Mr. Floyd until December, 1930, when he left to play solo euphonium for Camborne Town Band.

It was then decided to ask the late Mr. L. C. Reynolds to fill the vacancy, a position which he held until October, 1932, when the present bandmaster, Mr. T. J. Chainey (late of Falmouth Town Band) was appointed, with Mr. W. Hocking as deputy bandmaster.

The band attended its first band contest at Penzance in 1929, but were unsuccessful. The following year, however, the band secured 2nd prize in the Junior Section under the late Mr. G. Floyd at Penzance. Since then the band has attended all the contests in West Cornwall, having won 1st at Penzance, 1932, Third Section, under Mr. A. W. Parker, also two firsts and specials at Camborne in the same year. In 1934 the band won 1st and specials at Falmouth, in 1935 three 1st prizes and one 3rd, also specials, at Penzance, and in 1936 1st and 2nd at Redruth and 1st at Falmouth. The band intends to compete this year at the Crystal Palace Festival.



Gweek Silver Band, showing trophies recently gained on the contest field.