

(MD BRYN JAMES)

The Council of West of England Brass Band Associations

By Team
**West of England
Regional Championships**

ORDER OF PLAY

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Championship

1st Section

2nd Section

3rd Section

4th Section

ADJUDICATOR'S REMARKS

A clean, bright and forceful opening (why the crescendo in bar 2?) with much detail. Good clarity and drive/energy but be careful not too much. A little overblown at times and bluenotes in the Soprano after (B) as you know. Not all tuning is secure, especially cornets, but this performance has spirit. Trumpet after (H) but there are some fine contributions around the stand. Good Trombone section. "Temple of Zeus" is very weak to open. Tuning weak, very nervous, Solo Cornet is flat, Bb Trumpet sharp and the clinking of notes is very disappointing - take care with this please. A number of notes fail to speak in horns and baritones before (L) - such a pity after the quality of your band playing. Balance is not always secure and the melody/harmony/bass lines do not blend properly all the way through to (P). The Snare is well handled into (Q) and then the band comes alive again at upper dynamics - be careful Soprano, you are much too forceful on occasion, even at 'ff' (R) this can be too much for the rest of the band. Good attention to detail by the MD and some very good percussion in this band - well played Timpani especially - but good Side Drum & Glock too, a good team today. Good close and all very convincing. The performance certainly had an energy and drive but the quiet playing was generally

rumpled nervous and disappointing

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A very confident opening with good precision. A triplets not balanced. B flows well and good build to Race. Good drums but tenor not always in tune. Good muted section and build to F not always balanced. G rhythms rushed from 7th bar. Sop entry sharp. I needs better balance, cornets not always heard. A bit wild K+3 - bones not in tune 3 before Zeus. Good soloists but tuning is suffering throughout - especially at N. Flame needs better balancing and bones are sharp. O cornets should be louder for balance. O+14 horns nice but bones sharp throughout. Q flows well and builds to True which has drawn Sop a bit 'over the top' for me. Good attempt at dynamics but snare (T) too fast and not clean. V is sonorous with a good build to X again triplets not balanced (more rep needed). Confident ending. Generally a confident performance with good soloists - some tuning and precision problems in quieter passages.

Thank you.

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