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Dear Supporter,

### **New date for Field Band National Championships**

At the beginning of this year the Field Band Foundation announced its intention to reorganise its programmes and functions to deepen the impact of our work across the country.

The reorganisation has so far seen the enrichment of our life skills and academic training programme at the Field Band Academy in KwaZulu-Natal, the expansion of the reach of the PULSE Music and Health programme, and two new Field Bands coming on-stream in the Northern Cape.

A key element was the introduction of event planning as part of our extended skills base. Successful public events organised by our management and members include an evening celebration of the Foundation's teaching projects at Sandton Square's Hard Rock Café in autumn and regional performance championships in Dordrecht, Kuruman, Thabazimbi and Soweto at mid-year.

Taking into account the pressures on our management teams, and also the year-end stresses on our young members, the Board and management of the Foundation have decided to move the national championships (traditionally held in October) to the First Quarter of 2016.

We are currently finalising the Johannesburg venue, ideally for a February weekend, and will notify stakeholders via our website social media and electronic newsletter as soon as final arrangements have been made.

We look forward to your participation and support at our new national championships as the Foundation continues to deepen its positive developmental impact.

With best wishes,

**Nicky du Plessis (Ms)**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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