



"The Listening Club"

Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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Dear Friends **Monthly Newsletter 385** September 2017

Club Diary 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
Sept 25th	Alex Payler	7- pm
Oct 23rd	Rod Pooley	7- pm
Nov 27th	Mike Sullivan	7- pm
Dec 18th	Steve Hubble (7-30pm start) Christmas	6-45 pm

Other Clubs

<u>Club</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
WA	11 th Oct	Ian House	7-50pm
CL	11 th Oct	John Cooper	7 pm
CH	21 st Oct	Michael Wooldridge	7.15pm
CO	6 th Oct	Michael Carter	7 pm

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Tonights Concert

25th September 2017

Alex Payler

Tonight our artiste is Alex Payler, well aware of the present day image perceived by today's younger generation of the music and instruments we listen to here. He, as a member of that younger generation, is striving to dispel that dowdy image and bring about a revival of interest in what is after all, live music entertainment.

Alex's comment.

"The general person on the street has no idea. The 'Organ' has an almost humorous and corny image in this country. It doesn't seem to be taken seriously any more, not in the same way as piano perhaps. I love performing to people both young and old and begin to drastically challenge those preconceptions. I also strongly feel that music and ideas are something to be shared and learned. Using this as my inspiration, I am eager to create and achieve something new and exciting."

Alex gained his skills from all aspects of the music industry. His involvement included much from musical directing to demonstrating on the shop floor. He is a magazine feature writer, but primarily, he loves to perform and pass his knowledge on to others.

Classically trained yet versed in many styles of music including classical, jazz, film and pop, Alex demonstrates that versatility in every performance. Unlike many other musicians of his generation he can also claim that every piece is completely his own original work - scored, arranged and all played completely LIVE in every performance.

In 1997 he won the National Electronic Organist of the Year competition. More recently his talent was recognised by the Warner Brothers Records Vice President of International Artistes, Dion Singer, who helped produce Alex's latest commercial album - 'Alex Payler Electone Player'.

Please Note

New performance time for concerts 7- 45pm

Club members celebrations Sept - Oct Birthdays

Sept Peter Eaton, Frances Farndon, Herbert James, David Nye, Shirley Palmer, Raymond Soper and Ronald Steward.

Oct Peter Bouchard, Christine Brown, June Chesterton, Janet Cox, Irene Ellis, James Eringa and Steve Morl.

Refreshments

As always we are most grateful for those looking after us with our Tea, Coffee & biscuits.

Sept 25th John Sach, Megan Baker, & Jean
Oct 23rd Ivor Cornell, Elizabeth Berry, & Jean
Nov 27th Janet Cox, Kathleen Crockett, Jean
Dec 18th The Committee

Please let Jean know if you are unable to help on the indicated evening.

Notices

Newsletters

These are printed and available on club nights. Unfortunately the rising cost of stamps makes posting of a newsletter financially unviable without an increase in SUBS.

Additions to newsletter?

Speak to Steve Morl - Secretary.

Help Yourself!

Something we all need to think about. Our attending member levels are dropping and we have run some evenings at a loss. The club needs its audience to financially survive. Bring your friends and family along too.

**GBP our £1
coins.**



A note from the Treasurer.
Tonight's concert evening 25th September 2017 is the last concert at which the old pound coins can be accepted. Please from then on only the new coins thank you

Website

BOKC now has its own local website.

WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

Forthcoming Concert

23rd October 2017 Rod Pooley

Born in Welling, Kent, in 1966, the youngest of three sons of Michael and Sheila Pooley. Rod started playing electronic organ at the age of seven years studying under the very capable guidance of John Norris (Principal of the Southern Music Training Centre Bromley). Rod furthered his playing skills by starting piano from the age of ten. Rod at this time was very fortunate to be taught the piano by a top London jazz pianist James Fagg which is no doubt why Rod is an extremely fluent jazz player. Rod passed the eleven plus and went to Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar School which at that time had one of the largest school music departments in the UK. The school had three full orchestras and Rod's claim to fame was to perform solo in concert at the school in front of former prime minister Sir Edward Heath who was the Bexley MP at that time. While at Grammar School Rod also formed the first jazz band the school had ever had. During and after leaving full time education, Rod won many major titles in the organ world

Review of our Recent Concert

David Harrild 21st August 2017

Not being present, unfortunately there is no record available of pieces played at David's concert.

Observations by others at the concert.

'He didn't talk much tending instead to play several tunes in-between, but showed humour when he did.'

'Most of the playing was lively and this seemed to be greatly appreciated by the club members, as was his excellent arrangements of pieces. All in all, a very good night's entertainment.'

He used the TRX Organ System based on the Yamaha Tyros 5

What most club members were unaware of at that performance?

The next day David underwent surgery. This must have been on his mind during his performance yet to perform without revealing the anxiety he must have been experiencing was the mark of a true professional. Information is that he is recovering from that surgery and we will surely wish him well.

For further review comment please view our website WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk