



"The Listening Club"

Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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Dear Friends **Monthly Newsletter 386** October 2017

Club Diary 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
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	8th Nov	Brett Wales	7-50pm
CL	8th Nov	Tony Stace	7 pm
CH	18th Nov	David Ingley	7.15pm
CO	3rd Nov	Andrew Varley	7 pm

www.organfax.co.uk/events/

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Tonights Concert

23rd October 2017

Rod Pooley

Rod Pooley was born in Welling, Kent, in 1966. He began playing electronic organ at the age of seven. At that time he received early tuition from John Norris (Then the Principal of the Southern Music Training Centre Bromley). Rod added the piano to his playing skills from the age of ten. His then tutor was London jazz pianist, James Fagg, maybe the reason why Rod is now a fluent jazz player.

Rod attended Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar School. The school at that time had one of the largest school music departments in the UK. Whilst there Rod can claim that he performed a solo during a concert in front of former prime minister Sir Edward Heath, the then Mp for Bexley. At the Grammar School Rod formed its first jazz band. During and after leaving full time education he won many titles in the organ world. These included:

1981 at 14 years of age Young Theatre Organist of the Year
 1985 and 1986 at 18 and 19 years of age National Organist of the year
 1988 at 21 years of age Yamaha Electone Festival Winner

Rod has Grade VIII on Piano and Organ and achieved a performance diploma in electronic organ playing at just 17.

He was the Church organist at St Michaels and All Angels Eastbourne for two years. His professional career was established by the time he left school, performing at many organ societies. He performed in many forms of entertainment as both soloist and a member playing in big bands. Rod has worked with the Joe Loss Orchestra, the Ken Mackintosh Big Band, Mike Reid and Jimmy Tarbuck.

Rod organised and ran a successful organ and keyboard school; he now combines his busy performing and demonstrating career with a directorship of The Drawtones his Funky Organ Classics band.

Please Note

Performance time for concerts 7- 45pm

Club members celebrations Sept - Oct Birthdays

Oct Peter Bouchard, Christine Brown, June Chesterton, Janet Cox, Irene Ellis, James Eringa and Steve Morl.
Nov Ron Annis, Terence Baugh, John Blake, Daphne Hawkins, Brian Hayward, Graham Crockett.

Refreshments

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

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. The newsletter can also be downloaded from the website. 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 if you want our club to survive.

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.

Website

BOKC now has its own local website.

WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

Forthcoming Concert

27th November 2017 Mike Sullivan

Family commitments have taken Michael away from performing until recently but we will be pleased to welcome him this Nov 27th 2017.

Michael plays a Yamaha Tyros 4 with 2 Yamaha MSR 250 powered speakers plus Ketron midi pedals linked to a Roland SC 33 sound module. He latterly has played for St Helens, Southport, in Lincoln and for Bolton In Tune on August 15th 2017. His Internet radio performances include, Organ 1st Radio in January, February, May and June this year. The programme is a monthly Internet programme presented by Alan Ashton.
www.organradio.com

Review of our Recent Concert

Alex Payler "5th September 2017

25th September and summer was over, the evenings drawing in and maybe that was why the turnout for our concert by Alex Payler was so disappointingly low. We even delayed the start of the evening hoping for a few more attendees.

Alex provided a captivating performance of live music with varied genres. He performed on his very capable Yamaha. There surely ought to have been content to please all. The evening opened with a lively rendition of Palladio soon contrasted by the minuet from the L'arlesienne suite by Bizet. As the evening progressed we heard music from film, stage, TV and the classics. Perhaps the style of his music should be described as orchestral rather than Hammond, how the listener appreciated what they listened to would depend on their preference of style but the performance itself was absorbing and rounded. At the end of the evening Alex was applauded and an encore requested for which he played Brazil by Ary Barroso

Alex's instrument was the YAMAHA Electone Stagea ELS-02C. As well as being the first pro-player to import this very special instrument into the UK, he is now one of the leading exponents of this particular model in the world.

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