



"The Listening Club"

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Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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GENERAL COMMITTEE	Vacant ! Volunteers?	

Dear Friends **Monthly Newsletter 397** September 2018

Club Diary 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
Sept 24th	David Thomas	7 pm
22nd Oct	Tony Stace	7 pm
26th Nov	Chiho Sunamoto	7 pm
17th Dec	Rod Pooley	Awaits

Other Clubs

<u>Club</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
WA	10th Oct	Ryan Edwards	7-50pm
CL	10th Oct	Michael Wooldridge	7 pm
CH	20th Oct	Joanne Naulls	7.15pm
CO	5th Oct	Rod Pooley	7 pm

www.organfax.co.uk/events/

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Tonight's Concert

24th September 2018

David Thomas



David was born in Hornchurch in 1963. His true interest in music began at Secondary School where he learned to play the Trombone. Previously at primary school he was limited to the Recorder. David's ability with the Trombone led him into the School Orchestra, a Dance band and later the local Youth Orchestra. In the late 70's he discovered an old "Trench", fold-away Harmonium tucked away in his Grandparent's house and after this sparked an interest he decided

he would like to try his hand at something a little more up to date. The years passed and David's keyboard abilities developed. He has appeared along with many of Britain's top organists at several prestigious venues, played on Radio, and been the subject of Profiles in 'Home Keyboard Review' and other magazines. During the 80's he was voted Second in Organ Player magazine's readers poll as "Most Promising Up And Coming Organist." in 1988 David became the resident Organist for The London Borough of Barking at its Broadway Theatre where he began by providing the "Dance Music" (Ballroom, Latin, Disco, Sequence and Old Time) for monthly Tea Dances. The winter of 2010 saw David & his wife Teresa take over former Wisbech & District Organ Society and re-brand the shows as 'Keynote Concerts'.

Acknowledgement - <http://www.organfax.co.uk>

Concert attendances are dropping.

Every concert since April 2018 has run at a loss to the Club.
Please attend yourself and encourage your friends along too!

Performance time for concerts 7- 45pm

Club members celebrations Birthdays

*Sept
Oct*

Peter Eaton, David Nye & Shirley Palmer
Peter Bouchard, Christine Brown, Janet Cox, Irene Ellis, James Eringa,
Stephen Morl

Refreshments

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

2018

Sept 24th

Christine Brown, Brenda Hutton and John Sach

Oct 22nd

Brian & Brenda Odden and Jean

Nov 26th

John & Audrey Blake and Megan Baker

Jean would appreciate more names on the refreshment rota!

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

Notices

Entrance charged on concert evenings:-

**£5.00 for members
&
£7.00 for non-members.**

Finance - Last Concert

(to keep you informed)

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For August 2018

Just 47 Members & 8 Guests
Attended.

The clubs loss for the night -£62

To be viable Your Club needs you and your friends to attend Please!

The only alternative is an increase on admission, perhaps next year?

The Raffle

The raffle adds an enjoyable element to the evening; its proceeds help your club meet its financial obligations. Our raffle hosts put a lot of time and effort into sourcing interesting prizes on behalf of the club.

We the club, appreciate what they do.

Could you help serving refreshments?

Please talk to Jean who would appreciate more names on the rota!

Would you consider serving on the committee?

Additions to newsletter?

Speak to Steve Morl - Secretary.

Website

BOKC has its own local website.

WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

Forthcoming Concert

Tony Stace - Oct 22nd 2018



Tony started playing the organ at age nine, his father owned a Hammond T500 which was his pride and joy. Tony showed promise and tuition was arranged for him. At his 11th birthday when asked what present he wanted Tony asked his parents to let him play a concert.

His parents made the arrangements and Tony played to an audience of 100 friends and family, a well applauded success. At age 13 Tony was treated to a new Elka E49 by his parents who continued then to provide great support and encouragement this no doubt helped him as he then began a string of successful appearances and competition wins both Nationally and internationally. Today Tony and Andrew Nix are running Festivals under the banner Topnote Events. He comments. 'we are loving every minute of this experience, we have worked hard getting the festivals up and running and give every event our full attention, if you fancy a weekend with myself, Andrew & friends, contact me on (01609) 748295

We visit York, Kettering, Fareham, Ilkley and Eastbourne, for more info on these Great festivals visit: www.topnoteevents.co.uk

Review of our Recent Concert

Mike Hall 20th Aug 2018

It was the last concert of the summer for the year and we welcomed Mike Hall who opened the evening with a Jungle Book medley. We had to agree it was some years since he had played for us, a fact that he didn't fail to point out. Mike is an advocate of the Orla range of Instruments and with him he brought two, the GT8000 and a smaller portable keyboard the KX10. During the evening he made a point of talking about these instruments and their abilities. No doubt instruments enthusiasts appreciated the detail. His music, as we would expect included variety of style and form, this of course means you cannot please all the people all of the time. Overall it was a good evening's entertainment. We listened to the music he produced and when Mike offered to play whichever instrument, we the audience preferred, it was obvious most of us were quite surprised by what we were hearing from the smaller portable KX10, an impressive instrument, It was called for time and again. At least two members of the audience have since gone looking for one themselves.

Some of Mike's music included. A jungle book medley, Take a chance on love, A big Band Gershwin Medley, a 'Pipe' organ medley, Tie a yellow ribbon round the old oak tree 'Eye level' from Van der Valk, 'Thinking about the things we used to do', Smokey and the bandit – eastbound and down, The Candy man, The Kyle of Lochalsh, Psalm 23, Dream - Johnny Mercer, Mack & Mabel – I won't send roses, 76 Trombones in the hit parade, A rock and role medley, The Odd couple.

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