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Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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GENERAL COMMITTEE Vacant! Volunteers?

Dear Friends December 2018 **Monthly Newsletter 400**

Club Diary 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
17 th Dec	Rod Pooley	6-45 pm
28 th Jan 19	Elizabeth Harrison	7 pm
25 th Feb19	Paul Carman	7 pm
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Other Clubs

Club	<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
WA	9th Jan	Chris Jones	7-50pm
CL	9th Jan	David Last	7 pm
СН	19 th Jan	David Thomas	7.15pm
СО		NO DETAIL	7 pm

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Tonight's Concert

17th December 2018

Rod Pooley



Rod Pooley was born in Welling, Kent, in 1966. He began playing electronic organ at the age of seven. At the 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, Rod 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.

Rod 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 has 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.



Performance time for Christmas concert 7-30pm

Club members celebrations **Birthdays**

Eunice Archer, Megan Baker, Roy Barker, Barry Brockbank, Jean Harrison, Dec Carole Jacobs, Gordon Richards, Christine Smith, & Val Worrell Vera Baker, Keith Blackman, Audrey Blake, Sharon Brockbank, Trish Capon Richard Curtis & Tricia Hawes

Dec 17th

Refreshments

Our thanks as always to those looking after us with

2018 - 2019

The committee.

Jan 19th Roy Barker, Elizabeth Berry & Jean 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) 26th November 2018 The club made a small Loss for the night -£0.95p

Please help support your club and buy BOKC Raffle tickets during the concert.

Prizes drawn during the evening.

Could you consider serving on the committee or refreshments rota?

Join us at the Interval for;-



Happy Christmas 2018

Additions to newsletter?

Speak to Steve Morl - Secretary.

Website

BOKC has its own local website. WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

Forthcoming Concert

Elizabeth Harrison 28th Jan 2019



Elizabeth Harrison (also known as Liz) born 1st December 1976 iust outside Lancashire, has established herself on the concert circuit not only as a musician but also as an entertainer. Her varied musical repertoire along with her cheerful Lancashire humour has made her one of the country's favourite performers.

Review of our Recent Concert

Steve Allison 26th Nov 2018

Sadly due to the untimely passing of Chiho Sunamoto the club was at a loss for an artiste to perform at our concert of the 26th November until Steve Allison revealed that he was available for the evening.

Steve gave us a night of music that was distinctly his own. Very much he seemed to favour 'marches' and if you were a lover of this style then it would have been your night. There was though variety but each segment of the evening contained music that Steve had no doubt deliberately grouped, due to perhaps, being able to maintain a tempo or backing. However the evening contained music that at some point would have appealed to all. Without him we would have been turning all away at the door. So a big thank you to Steve for entertaining us for the evening.

Some of the music we heard included, a medley to commemorate WW1 The songs of the troops. 'If', A quick step medley in the style of the tower ballroom. One

moment in time, A selection of 'Spanish holiday music' Angel in blue,. Misty, Unforgettable, Games lovers play. Barbaretta march, (Bridge to far) A selection of waltz's, A samba, Oh my beloved father, Theme from the battle of Britain, aces high, Every thing I do, Solitaire.

Steve was recalled to provide an encore for which he produced a medley music and style but there was a predominance of an Um- Pah style.

All in all. Our thanks to Steve who rescued the evening.



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