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Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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Club Diary 2025

Date	Artiste	Doors
22nd Jul 2025	David Ingley	1-45pm
26th Aug 2025	Lee Dewsnap	1-45pm
23rd Sept 2025	Paul McCulloch	1-45pm
28th Oct 2025	Tony Stace	1-45pm

Other Clubs

Club	Date	Artiste	Doors
WA	9th July	Chris Powell	7-50 pm
MO	14th July	Matthew Bason	7-00 pm
CL	9th sJuly	Rod Pooley	7-00 pm
CO Sunday	13th July	Daniel Watt FLCM	Start 2-30 pm

Clubs fold? - Please confirm performance by contacting the club by phone prior to attending.

www.organfax.co.uk/events

Club contact number

WA - Est London Tel 02085 303717
MO - Medway Tel 01322 274541
CL - Clacton Tel 01255 428628
CO - Colchester Tel 07903 804603

Concert - Tues 24th Jun 2025

Nicholas Martin B.E.M



Nick began his music career studying the piano at nine years of age. He took a keen interest in the organ shortly afterwards. A family visit to Blackpool, in 1969 (when he was five), gave him the chance to hear the Wurlitzer organ being played in the famous Tower Ballroom by "Mr Blackpool" - Reginald Dixon. The sound of this famous organ captivated Nick who became infatuated by it to the point that he later started learning to play the organ. At age eleven it became his ambition to perform at this most famous of venues. Nick's Tower Ballroom ambition was achieved in 1981, he accepted a post as resident organist – and was then just 17 years of age! He played there seven days a week during the 1981 and 1982 seasons. While at Blackpool, Nigel Turner a businessman proposed that Nick became involved in the opening of a new organ entertainments complex - "Turner's Musical Merry-go-Round". The feature piece was to be a Wurlitzer theatre organ; this organ had been installed in the Paramount, later Odeon, Cinema Newcastle. This organ has long been considered as one of the finest in the U.K. It originally came from the Wurlitzer Organ factory in North Tonawanda, New York State, U.S.A. Nick became the resident Wurlitzer organist at "Turner's", in April 1983, and remained there until its closure in June 2004

In Feb. 2001 Nick and Marianne co-founded a charity for autistic children: "Miracles to Believe in" (Reg. Charity No. 1101463). The charity helps children, and their families, who suffer with autism (a life-long mental disability), in the East Midlands region. Nick is the "Miracles" main fundraiser and ambassador, mentioning the charity at most events he performs at, up and down the country. For more information you can visit the "Miracles" website at www.miracles-to-believe-in.co.uk

For his relentless and tireless support of the "Miracles to Believe in" charity, helping those with autism, Nick was awarded the B.E.M. (British Empire Medal), in the Queen's New Years Honours List (Dec. 31st 2014). In May 2015 Nick & Marianne were invited to Buckingham Palace to meet her Majesty the Queen.

Credit - Organ Fax

BOKC - AGM

The club will hold its Annual General Meeting following (This) June 24th 2025 Concert. Please attend if you can.

Club Email - members and visitors

Please let the club have your email address - We will send you club news and club related notices. Email is 'Blind Copied', your address is not revealed.

Refreshments

*Micheal Tatner - could do with
you on his team !*

Tues - June 24th Ros & Jan C

Tues - July 22nd -???

Tues - Aug 26th -???

Tues - Sep 23rd -???



Celebrating Birthdays

Brief News & / or Comment

24th June AGM after concert!

Jun Jean Baugh, Clifford Eighteen, Helen Isaacs, Penelope McCulley, Michael Palmer, Linda Scott

Jul Ann Bateson, Brian Benkin, Kathleen Crockett, Edwin Fisher, Doreen Hampton, Eric Harris, Valerie Nye, Alan Roberts, Michael Tatner

Refreshments

Would you help by making the tea and coffee even if occasionally?

Notices

Raffle

Please support your club
By buying raffle tickets.

Interim Finance Position

On our last concert

(to keep you informed)

Chris & Jo Powell

27th May 2025

Audience that afternoon

42 members 25 visitors.

Club - Raffle Raising **£83.00 p**

Donations **£19.90 p**

At the door - Concert position.

Profit on afternoon of:-

(Approximately) £76.00p

Voluntary - refreshments box.

There is no charge for 'Tea/Coffee & Biscuits' but club funds would gratefully appreciate a donation.

NEXT MONTH

David Ingley

Tues 22/07/25



Additions to newsletter?

Speak to - Secretary
Steve Morl .

Contact via email?
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for Email



Next Concert - **David Ingley** 22nd Jul 2025

David won a holiday camp talent competition at the age of ten, this was his catalyst for becoming a professional organist. He initially explored performing in local charity concerts and soon found that he was in great demand.

Family holidays taken at various organ festivals encouraged him. He won a teenage talent competition at the 'National Home Organ Festival' Hemsby in 1983, he was soon playing junior spots at major organ festivals both in this country and abroad. Aged fourteen he filled semi-professional engagements at clubs in and around the Midlands. On leaving school in the summer of 1986 he realised his ambition becoming a full-time professional organist. David has considerable experience playing for dances and backing cabaret in the clubs. He has been musical director for several variety and dance shows and has made concert appearances at organ societies and festivals all over the country

Last concert - **Chris & Jo Powell** 27th May 2025

We anticipated something a little 'special' at our concert afternoon 27th May 2025 and so did others, the draw of two accomplished musicians brought 25 visitors despite the rain to the club which helped to swell the audience to the highest attended concert thus far this year. Chris played the Roland Atelier AT-900C organ, Jo her new Hammond SKX organ with Ketron SD3 expander. Comments heard, "Superb concert" with much acclaim from members. At times the applause could be felt. An emotional wartime medley, to mark VE day, the penultimate concert rendition.

From the 1st half

A medley of sing-along tunes, The Rose, Can't Help Falling in Love, The wonder of you, The Wonder of You, Csárdás, I'll Never Find Another You, Morningtown, The carnival is over, Island of dreams, The Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond, Amazing grace, Scotland the brave, Highland Cathedral,

From the 2nd half

Happy music, What A Wonderful World,

Little Swiss Piece (composed by friend), Joanne (Brian Sharp), Blanket On The Ground, Ring of Fire, Anything Goes, Love changes everything, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, Tomorrow (annie), You'll Never Walk Alone, Royal Air Force March, Dam Busters', Lili Marlene, O God, Our Help in Ages Past, Last post, There'll Always Be an England, Land of hope and glory,

Encore -Duelling Banjos

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