



"The Listening Club"

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Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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Club Diary 2026

Date	Artiste	Doors
28 th Apr 2026	Michael Wooldridge	1-45pm
26 th May 2026	Brett Wales	1-45pm
23 rd June 2026	Ian Griffin	1-45pm AGM (Follows)
26 th July 2026	Clair Greig	1-45pm

Other Clubs

Club	Date	Artiste	Doors
WA	8 th April	Claire Greig	7-50 pm
MO	13 th April	Lewis Scott	7-00 pm
CL	8 th April	David Ingley	7-00 pm
CO Sunday	12 th April	David Thomas	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 MAR 2026

David Last



David born in Ipswich on 21st February 1969 his interest in music began pre- school and then with piano lessons at seven. He worked his way through the Royal School of Music Associated Board's examinations and passed at Grade 8 with distinction. With that success David auditioned with some 50 other pupils, they were... 'members of the Incorporated Society of Musicians', he was chosen to take part in a concert held at the local Town Hall, May 1986 and David's performance on the Steinway grand piano of the Fantasia in D Minor - K397 by WA Mozart generated great appreciation. Interest in the organ began with an electronic instrument post attending a Mark Shakespeare concert at the Ipswich Corn Exchange. He soon acquired an instrument of his own on which he was self taught. He discovered an ex-cinema 'Christie pipe organ' in his local church, and then becoming a member of the Ipswich Light Organ Music Society, (to which the organ belonged) that enabled him to further develop his organ interest. After practice at the Christie he was able to enter the cinema Organ Society's competition for young theatre organists, at that time held annually at the Electronic and Pipe Organ Convention at Gunton Hall in Suffolk on the Compton theatre organ installed there. David won the Society's 1987 'Young Theatre Organist of the Year' trophy. He was offered tuition at the Cinema Organ Society's 4 manual 23 rank Wurlitzer, (formally installed at the Trocadero Elephant and Castle) which was at that time installed at the South Bank University in London. He became resident organist of the Ipswich Light Organ Music Society at the age of eighteen and played his first full concert for the Society on his 19th birthday. He plays annually for the Society as part of their season of celebrity concerts. Early 1990's, Nigel Ogden and the BBC recording engineers went to the Castle Hill Church in Ipswich to record David at the Christie. Much of the recordings have since been broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 programme "The Organist Entertains". (alas now no longer broadcast)

David's present instruments for concerts at clubs and societies. are the Roland AT900C, Roland AT350C, Yamaha D Deck, Yamaha Stagea ELS02C, Yamaha Genos and PSR SX-900.

Ack- Organ Fax

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 - Mar 24th Barbara & Marion
Tues - Apr 28th Jan & Louise

Tues - May 26th Christine C
Tues - Jun 23rd -???



Celebrating Birthdays >

Mar

Barbara Cornish, Victor Dean, Yvette Roberts

Apr

Christine Copas, Maureen Dixon, Yvonne Maguire, David Schuster

Brief News & / or Comment?

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 Jones

24th Feb 2026

Audience that afternoon

33 members 19 visitors.

Club - Raffle Raising **£66.00 p**

Donations **£23.25 p**

At the door - Concert position.

Loss on afternoon of:-

(Approximately) -£13.00p

Voluntary - refreshments box.

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

NEXT MONTH

Michael Woldridge

Tues 28th Apr 2026



Additions to newsletter?

Speak to - Secretary
Steve Morl .

Contact via email?
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Next Concert - Michael Woldridge 28th Apr 2026

In 1980 Michael won the ATOS UK Young Theatre Organist of the Year Competition.

From then his music career developed, he travelled a great deal; in Germany, Holland, Switzerland, Ireland, Dubai and Australia.

Michael's repertoire includes many styles, his concert programmes filled with popular music of many styles, orchestral, big band, shows, theatre organ, classical, rock and roll to mention but a few. He is a show producer, he has staged touring shows, summer seasons and pintos' throughout the UK. Michael worked alongside names such as Supersonic Syd Little, Crackerjack and Good Morning Sunday's Don Maclean, stars of the Black and White Minstrel Show, piano entertainer Bobby Crush, master magician Paul Daniels, Jimmy Cricket and Eurovision Song Contest winner, Dana.

Last concert - Chris Jones 24th Feb 2026

Chris brought his customary Yamaha AR100 organ and Ketron SD40 Arranger Module and with it as usual, provided us with an appreciated all round concert of music and variety. There was singing from Chris, and of course humour. He has a style that has a brilliant touch of camp about it that brings a smile and light heartedness today when so much makes one think before saying or uttering a public word. We all need good polite humour and music.

From the 1st half

Puttin' On The Ritz, 42nd Street, Hello Dolly, Miss Marple, Railway Children, Blaze Away, Westminster Waltz, The Wedding (La Novia), Venus In Blue Jeans, Chanson de Matin (Elgar), Sway, Wheels Cha Cha, Full Medley-Sound of Music, Red Sails in the Sunset, Sailing by (Ronald Binge, Chi Mai -The Life & Times of David Lloyd George (Chi Mai) - Ennio Morricone, Ski Sunday,

From the 2nd half

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang (full medley)
Ivor Novello (medley)

(Doris Day) Que Sera Sera, I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles On A Bicycle Built For Two, Windmill In Old Amsterdam, Save Your Kisses For Me, Neil Sedaka a medley of songs, There's A Kind Of Hush - Herman's Hermits, The Seekers - Medley, Jules Massenet - Meditation from Thais for Violin and Piano, Theme ~ Desert Island Discs, If I Ruled the World, The Drifters- medley, Teddy Bears' Picnic, The Lambeth Walk, Maybe It's Because I Am a Londoner, You Made Me Love You, On Mother Kelly's Doorstep, We'll Meet Again, Encore:- Summer

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