

The Organ Club Newsletter

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3. RECITALS PLAYED OR PROMOTED BY CLUB MEMBERS

Sam Giddy's tour

Sam is arriving from Australia on January 7th 2019 and will be playing a number of recitals around the country. Members living in the local areas will be very welcome to attend the recitals, and there will be an opportunity to meet Sam at each location. The dates are as follows:

Thursday	January 10 th	- Chester Cathedral	1pm
Friday	January 11 th	- Oakham Parish Church	7:30pm
Saturday	January 12 th	- St James Church, Bushey	12 noon
Sunday	January 13 th	- Guildford Cathedral	3pm
Monday	January 14 th	- Holbrook School, Ipswich	1:30pm
Wednesday	January 16 th	- Blackburn Cathedral	1:10pm
Saturday	January 19 th	- St George's Hanover Square	5pm

St Alphege, Montrose Avenue, Burnt Oak, Edgware HA8 0DN

Nov 3rd 19:30 Eleni Keventsidou (Organ & Piano Teacher at Rugby School & Kent College Canterbury), with Nikos Spanatis (counter tenor).
Admission £10, including refreshments.

Reading Town Hall, Blagrove Street, Reading, RG11QH

Nov 12th 13:00 Michael Butterfield (RAM, Organ Club Competition Judge 2017). Tickets £5.

Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, 235 Shaftesbury Avenue WC2H 8EP

Nov 24th 16:00 David Dunnett (Norwich Cathedral)

King's College, King's Parade, Cambridge CB2 1ST

Nov 3rd 18:40 Dónal McCann (King's College)
Nov 10th 18:40 Andrew Unsworth (Morman Tabernacle)
Nov 17th 18:40 Mark Brafield (Concert Organist)
Nov 24th 18:40 Sebastian Heindl (Organ Scholar, Thomaskirche, Leipzig)

St James The Apostle, Bushey, Hertfordshire WD23 1BD

Oct 13th 12:00 James Kellas (St Martin's, Ruislip)
Coffee will be served from 11:00, light lunches from 13:00.

Freemasons' Hall, 60 Great Queen Street, London WC2B 5AZ

Nov 14th 18:15 Darius Battiwalla (Concert Organist) free admission

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1. NOTICES

Subscriptions 2019

At the 2018 AGM it was agreed that there would be one ORDINARY adult rate, expected as £30 - unchanged from the previous Standard rate. It was agreed as under the new GDPR rules, as I am not allowed to ask adults for date of birth, I cannot operate a concessionary rate for seniors. However, if any member can enrol a new member, then a single £5 reduction per year - but you needs to name the new member. Student members are now termed as YOUNG members, this applies to all up to the age of 18 [as before] but if you are in full time study or apprenticeships the upper age limit was raised from 25 to 30. Once normal salaries are received, ORDINARY rate applies. The YOUNG members' rate was set in c1998 at 50% standard rate, so for 2019 the annual YOUNG member rate is raised for the first time in 20 years from £10 to £12. The renewal form will be issued with the January Newsletter - please do not pay renewals ahead of receiving the renewal notice for 2019. Queries to markmdjameson@btinternet.com.

Mark Jameson, Membership Secretary

The 2018 London Organ Competition

The competition for teenagers will be held on Saturday December 29th at St. Clement Danes Church in the Strand. The **closing date** for entries is Monday 5th November. Please refer to the entry below in section 2 for more details.

January 2019 Newsletter contributions: please email notices by 16th December at the latest to John Belling (newsletter@organclub.org), or write to him at: 42 Cunningham Park, Harrow, Middlesex HA1 4QJ.

2. CLUB MEETINGS

Saturday November 24th 2018 – Addington and Croydon

For our November visit, arranged by John Varney, we shall be visiting one church in Addington, and two in Croydon.

10:30 St .Mary the Virgin, Addington Village Road, CRO 5AS

This delightful church is the burial place of former Archbishops of Canterbury who resided at nearby Addington Palace, (former headquarters of the RSCM). Walker - 2 manual and pedal.

We shall be met by the Organist Dr. Christopher J. Parker.

12:15 Lunch: members make own arrangements back in central Croydon
(Same journey in reverse)

14:00. Croydon Minster. (St. John the Baptist) Church Street, CR0 1RF
This is the Parish and Civic Church of Croydon.
William Hill 4 manual and pedal, restored Harrison and Harrison 1969 and recent restoration just completed.
We shall be met by the Director of Music, Ronny Krippner
The Club Vice President Dr Roy Massey is Organist Emeritus.

16:15 St. Michael and All Angels, West Croydon, Poplar Walk, CR0 1UA
This Church is in the Anglo Catholic tradition.
Father Willis, 3 manual and pedal.
We shall be met by the Senior Organ Scholar, Josh Anderson.

Travel:

There are frequent trains from London Victoria to East Croydon. Then take the tram opposite the station to New Addington, alight Addington Village. The Church is sign posted. Cross over dual carriage way, use pedestrian crossing, go straight ahead and turn right when you meet the road, you can't miss the Church if you keep on going past the Harvester on your right. The two Croydon central churches are within walking distance of each other. Travel back to Croydon Town centre same journey in reverse.

Meeting charge £5 (not including refreshments).

Bookings to John Varney, jvarneyguildford@icloud.com or telephone 01483 574326 by Saturday 17th November.

Saturday December 29th 2018 –

London Organ Competition

The 3rd London Organ Competition will take place at St. Clement Danes in the Strand, London; the start time will be dependent on the number of entries, but we are aiming for 11am for the Junior Section (age up to 16) and 2pm for the Senior Section (ages 17-19).

This year the judges will be our esteemed Vice President Roy Massey, and Paul Ayres. Young members, please submit your application forms by Monday November 5th to John Miley, by post, or email to cegb36@gmail.com. Full details are on the Organ Club website <https://organclub.org/competition/>

Saturday January 19th 2019 –

Master Class at St. George's Hanover Square

Our January meeting next year will be a Masterclass with Simon Williams at St George's Hanover Square, St George Street, London W1S 1FX from 2pm to 4pm. Playing members are invited to play a piece to Simon - please contact John Miley by email to cegb36@gmail.com to let him know the piece you would like to play.

The class will be followed at 5pm by an organ recital given by the talented OCSO member Sam Giddy from Sydney, Australia. Sam is undertaking a tour around England, details of which please refer to section 3 immediately below.

In the Pipeline: The following visits are planned; full details will be given nearer to the time. Please note them in your diary! (though please bear in mind that these could be subject to change).

Saturday February 9th 2019: Hereford Cathedral with Henry Metcalfe & Roy Massey;

Saturday March 16th 2019: AGM at St Albans Organ Museum;

Saturday April 13th 2019: visit within Central London (NB 3rd Saturday is Easter Saturday);

May 3rd – 7th 2019: Visit to Durham & Newcastle;

Saturday June 15th 2019: morning - Aston, RC Chapel; afternoon - Maidenhead St Luke's followed by St Andrew & St Mary - Paul Hale has advised on this new organ and hopes to be with us.

Saturday July 20th 2019: Newland Chapel of Beauchamp Community; Malvern Link St Matthias; Malvern Priory;

October 31st to November 2nd 2019: Bristol WOW weekend, with Eric Tyson, past President of the Bristol and District Organists' Association.

To whet your appetite, the following are also planned:

(a) a **Yorkshire tour** in October 2019, visiting the Cathedrals, Abbeys and Minsters of Wakefield, Selby, Dewsbury, Howden and Beverley, amongst other venues;

(b) 2020: **Tour of Isle of Man** – 94 organs are listed in the National Pipe organ Register (so no shortage there!), and the tour will include steam trains and trams;

(c) Saturday September 26th 2020, a visit to **Canterbury Cathedral** to enjoy their new organ.