



"The Listening Club"

Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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Dear Friends **Monthly Newsletter 396** August 2018

Club Diary 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
Aug 20th	Mike Hall	7 pm
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	12th Sept	Lee Dewsnap	7-50pm
CL	12th Sept	Elizabeth Harrison	7 pm
CH	15th Sept	Matthew Bason	7.15pm
CO	7th Sept	Ian House	7 pm

www.organfax.co.uk/events/

Club contact number

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Tonight's Concert

20th August 2018

Mike Hall



Mike was born on New year's day 1954 into a musical family, his father, Cyril, played saxophone in a local band. By the age of three Mike, 'by ear', was picking out melodies on the piano. His family found him a piano teacher but he soon

moved on to the organ. One of his later tutors being the Lowrey organ exponent Jerry Allen. Mike at 12 years of age played the Compton organ at the Granada Grantham. The pedals were just a little out of his reach as too was turning the pages of the music. A note for history, It was Mike who gave the last performance on that organ before it was removed to make way for BINGO? Mike's career developed and he became associated with several Italian organ manufactures resulting in frequent trips to Italy. Mike has travelled all around the UK performing and many will have heard his recitals whilst he appeared on the BBC's 'The Organist Entertains'. Mike now lives in Barrowby; he continues to tour the UK entertaining organ society audiences.

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

Concert attendances are dropping.

Please Note this means every concert since April 2018 has run at a loss to the Club.

Please attend yourself and encourage your friends neighbours along too!

Performance time for concerts 7- 45pm

Club members celebrations Birthdays

Aug Eileen Bartrup, Ivor Cornell, Nigel Harcombe, Cornelius Jackson, Brian Odden, Sidney Sickler, Shirley Sickler, Ron Slade, & Jenny Stilton

Sept Peter Eaton, David Nye & Shirley Palmer

Refreshments

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

2018

Aug 20th
Sept 24th
Oct 22nd

Janet & Brian Cox, & Kathleen Crockett
Brian & Brenda Odden, & Jean
Ivor Cornell Elizabeth Berry & Jean

Jean would appreciate more names on the 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.**

Last Concert (to keep you informed)

Please Note every concert since April 2018 has run at a loss to the Club.

For July 2018

Just 36 Members & 15 Guests Attended.

The clubs loss for the night £87

To be viable Your Club needs you 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 teas & coffees?

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

Additions to newsletter?

Speak to Steve Morl - Secretary.

Website

BOKC has its own local website.

WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

Forthcoming Concert

David Thomas - Sept 24th 2018



Almost a local boy, David was born in Hornchurch in 1963. He began his interest in music at Secondary School where he took up the Trombone, until then he had been limited to the Descant Recorder whilst attending Primary School. The Trombone led him into the School Orchestras, 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 have passed and David's keyboard abilities developed. He has appeared along with many of Britain's Top Organists and at many prestigious venues, played on Radio, and been the subject of Personality 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 providing the pure "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.

Review of our Recent Concert



Brett Wales 23rd of July and the long hot dry summer of 2018 continued, Brett Wales our musician for the evening was greeted on stage by an audience of 36 Members and 15 guests. Brett who travelled down from Nottingham introduced himself and with a laugh and a joke set about producing an evening of music worthy of a much larger audience. The performance was full, lively and encompassed many styles. Performers like to turn themselves out attired to impress. Brett played the first half of the concert wearing a dark shirt light jacket and with his hair swept and tied back, he immersed after the interval to whistles cheers and other applause. There was Brett in a flamboyant move suit and a crimson tie, quite a surprise. After the performance ended Brett was of course recalled for an encore itself a medley all received to great applause. Brett's instrument - a Wersi sonic. Some of the evening's music - Gladiator, On a street where I live, when your smiling, How can you mend a broken heart (BG's), Blanket on the ground, Intermezzo (Cavalier Rusticana), Day by Day, A Helios organ tribute, ABBA medley, I left my heart in San Francisco, Pirates of the Caribbean (Zimmer), the lady and the tramp. Interval This old house, River dance Ballet, ToTo Africa, Bohemian rhapsody (Queen), In a Persian Market (Albert Ketelbly), William Tell (Rossini), Fulsome Prison Blues (Johnny Cash), Sound of silence (Simon and Garfunkel), I cant help falling in love with you, One moment in time (Whitney Houston), Equinox (Jean-Michel-Jarre) He'll be coming round the mountain, Encore - A medley

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