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# Club Diary 2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>	
19 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2024	Brett Wales	1-45pm	
10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	David Thomas	1-45pm	
28th Jan 2025	Chris Stanbury	1-45pm	
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	David Harrild	1-45pm	

# Other Clubs

Club	<u>Date</u>	<u>Artiste</u>	<u>Doors</u>
WA	13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Mark Brown/Brian McKenzie	7-50 pm
MO	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Chris Powell	7-00 pm
CL	13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	David Harrild	7-00 pm
CO Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Chris Powell	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 22nd Oct 2024

# **Tony Stace**



Tony started playing the organ at age nine, his father owned a Hammond T500 which was his pride a joy. Tony showed promise and tuition was arranged for him.

At his 11th birthday when asked what present he wanted he asked his parents to let him play a concert. His parents made the arrangements and Tony played to an audi-

ence of 100 friends and family, a well applauded success. At age 13 he was treated to a new Elka E49 by his parents who continued then to provided great support and encouragement this no doubt helped him as he then began a string of successful appearances and competition wins both Nationally and internationally.

## Tony Stace last concert with us - 26th April 2022

Tony's reputation had preceded him; His concert brought a welcome 18 extra guests along. He produced an evening of entertaining music and perpetual humour. His audience found themselves frequently participating, swaying in their seats and singing along.

He played his trusted 35+ year old Yamaha HX1, one of 8 he owned, he tried his hardest to sell one to us, along with his CDs and his wife's cakes.

As usual Tony told us exactly how long the next piece would take and in that performance there was surely something for everyone.

## **Shirley Sickler**

Sadly the club has been informed of the passing of our member Shirley Sickler.

Our thoughts and condolences are with Sidney and the family.

### 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 - Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> Paul W & Yvonne M Tues - Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Valerie Nye Tues - Dec 10th Barbara Cornish



# Celebrating Birthdays

Oct

Simon Botwright, Peter Bouchard, Christine Brown, Janet Cox, James Eringa, Stephen Morl, Gwendoline Stockwell.

Nov

Ronald Annis, Brian Hayward

Refreshments

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

# Notices

**Brief News & / or Comment** 

## Raffle

Please support your club By buying raffle tickets.

Interim Finance Position
On our last concert

(to keep you informed)

Steve Hubble

24th Sept 2024 Audience that afternoon 35 members 13 visitors.

Club - Raffle Raising £57.00 p Donations £11.21 p

At the door - Concert position.

<u>Loss on afternoon of:-</u> (Approximately) -£63.00p

### Voluntary - refreshments box.

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

NEXT MONTH
Brett Wales
Tues 19/11/24



# Additions to newsletter?

Speak to Steve Morl - Secretary. **Website** 

WWW.BOKC-NEWS.co.uk

## Next Concert - Brett Wales 19th Nov 2024

Brett, born 23/08/78 in Nottingham and raised by his grandparents Marianne and Alwyn, (He still lives and works from that same house.) Alwyn owned an Elka 707 Organ, He returned from work one day to discover his three year old grandson playing the organ. The family felt Brett's talent should not be wasted and arranged private lessons from a local music teacher. His talent, recognised as unusual with some considering him a 'Boy Genius'. Led to a meeting with Wersi Stars, Klaus Wunderlich and Franz Lambert in 1989. A memorable year for Brett and his family followed, they made a trip to see Franz live at the Felsenkeller. Hearing of Brett's achievements, Franz requested that Brett played for him and his audience. Brett chose to play a piece that Franz himself plaid, "Everybody Loves Somebody Sometimes" Many were amazed at the ability of this nine year old. It brought the house down. By the time he was twelve Brett was travelling and demonstrating for Wersi in the U.K. At fifteen he was accepted for Clarendon College in Nottingham to study music.

Today Brett is in demand and playing to venues all over the country.

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

# Last concert - Steve Hubble - 24th Sept 2024

Steve is now playing just a Korg Pa5x keyboard, without a pedalboard or lower keyboard. Purists suspected a reliance on multi-tracking to 'fill the gaps', but he produced accompaniment on the keyboard. The music had depth, was full rich and appreciated as a very good concert. The Korg has some 'great sounds' and his version of the Blue Danube... with eyes closed the listener could visualise hearing a full orchestra playing it, albeit with a touch of multitracking. The Encore - He wasn't going to play his usual Duelling Banjos, he said he hadn't done so for a long time, but after a request from the club Chairman. He relented, and it was his encore. A shame that numbers were the lowest this year, resulting in a fairly heavy loss.

### From the 1st half

West side story (medley), I've got you under my skin, Gabriel's Oboe, Can't Take My Eyes Off You, Autumn Leaves, The Sound of Music (Medley) Aria - Acker Bilk, Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White, John Barry: "Out of Africa", Eagles: Lyin' Eyes, Mariah Carey: Hero

## From the 2nd half

Jeff Wayne: The Eve of the War, Stranger On The Shore, The Blue Danube, The Way You Look Tonight, Wichita Lineman, Dances With Wolves, GREASE - Greased Lightning, Summer Nights, You're The One That I Want, Rama Lama Ding Dong, Deborah's Theme (Once Upon a Time in America), The Good, the Bad and the Ugly, Express Yourself, New York, New York, ENCORE - Deliverance - Duelling Banjos

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