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# Brentwood Organ & Keyboard Club

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**BOKC Monthly Newsletter - 456 28.Jan.2025**

## Club Diary 2025

Date	Artiste	Doors
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	David Harrild	1-45pm
25 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Mark Speight	1-45pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Elizabeth Harrison	1-45pm
27 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Chris & Jo Powell	1-45pm

## Other Clubs

Club	Date	Artiste	Doors
WA	12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	The Murray Quarter Jazz Group	7-50 pm
MO	10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Rod Pooley	7-00 pm
CL		NO DETAIL	7-00 pm
CO Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Rod Pooley	Start 2-30 pm

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

[www.organfax.co.uk/events](http://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 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025

2025 Happy New Year to all,  
BOKC - This February, it's the clubs 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

### Chris Stanbury



Chris is an accomplished keyboard player on the professional circuit. He's playing extends comfortably across the latest electronic instrument, jazz or classical piano to theatre or classical pipe organ, he dedicatedly applies skill and musicianship whether he's playing at a concert, social dance, theatre show or wedding party,

Chris was classically trained yet he is equally at home playing jazz and pop music, his music qualifications from the London College of Music include Bachelor of, and Master of Music degrees. His career has led him to perform at the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, playing a premiere of a jazz organ piece at the Duke's Hall, Royal Academy of Music, corporate functions and various tours of the Far East, both as a solo performer and session musician, and performances on national TV and BBC Radio 2.

Chris combines a performing career with that of a music examiner for the London College of Music and that of teacher.

At home he keeps an extensive collection of new and vintage instruments. His present concert instrument is the Yamaha ELS-02X Stagea organ.

### John Sach

Sadly the club learns that our long term member, 'John Sach' passed away on Christmas Eve, His funeral has taken place.  
We miss his humour and help with concert refreshments.

Acknowledgement – <http://www.organfax.co.uk> [Membership renewals. - January 2025](#)

The club hopes to see you renew your annual Membership today, or could you be joining us for the first time?

#### [Membership subscriptions.](#)

Singles - £8 subs plus £5 entry = £13

Couples - £12 subs plus £10 entry = £22

(If you are a regular visitor? becoming a member could save you money.)

Please pay with exact money. Sorry no cheques thank you.

### [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 - Jan 28<sup>th</sup> Ros and Jan

Tues - Feb 25<sup>th</sup> **Vacant**

Tues - Mar 25<sup>th</sup> **Vacant**

Tues - Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> **Vacant**



## Celebrating Birthdays

### Brief News & / or Comment

Membership renewals!

January 2025 concert.

*Jan*

Steve Barrett-White, Keith Blackman, Sharon Brockbank,  
Roslyn Coffee, Michael Stratford

*Feb*

Stanley Banks, Christine Eighteen, Hazel Honour,  
Joyce Priest, Kay Tyler

### 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)*

**David Thomas**

10<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2024

Audience that afternoon

37 members 19 visitors.

Club - Raffle Raising **£71.00 p**

Donations **£57.92 p**

At the door - Concert position.

#### Income on afternoon of:-

(Approximately) £34.00p

### Voluntary - refreshments box.

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

### NEXT MONTH

**David Harrild**

Tues 25/02/25



### Additions to newsletter?

Speak to - Secretary  
Steve Morl .

Contact via email?  
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for Email



## Next Concert - **David Harrild** 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025

Aged of 9, David's parents bought him his first organ which was a Bontempi. It came from Woolworth's, but his persistent practising on the Bontempi ran his parents patients to despair, he was persuaded to attend lessons and given a new organ.

1 year's tuition, and he decided that he would throw away the books and play by ear.

David inspired by his idol, Harry Stoneham, was encouraged to form a trio of his own, it consisted of Drums, Tenor Sax and Organ. The Trio become familiar faces with local Working Men's Clubs, Bowls Clubs and Masonic Ladies Festivals, Social Evenings and Dinner Dances.

David in concert never carries music with him. his concerts are performed using his ability to play by ear. He chooses his material, listen to it once or twice and can then play it. he is now known around the country for performing at Music Festivals, Dinner Dance, Masonic Functions, Organ and Keyboard Clubs.

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

## Last concert - **David Thomas** 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024

David played the Roland AT100 with sounds and registrations loaded from his much larger AT900 (kept at home). A lively concert with music of many genres including a good mix of festive items which have not always been the case in prior Christmas concerts. As usual, David provided on screen visual 'enhancements' including the dancing babies and a brief appearance of the dancing monkeys. The audience left the concert knowing it was almost Christmas, David's encore, I'm dreaming of a white Christmas, ensured that. The club appreciated a concert profit, thanks to some very generous donations.

### From the 1st half

Sleigh Ride, (The Beatles) - Something, Latin medley-Cha Cha Cha, Winter Wonderland, Raining in My Heart, Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head, Hammond organ sound-a medley,Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree, The Lady Is A Tramp, Pachelbel - Canon In D Major, Perhaps, Perhaps, Perhaps, Nat King Cole-"Smile", What A Difference A Day Makes, Acker Bilk - Stranger On The Shore, A Trad Jazz medley.

### From the 2nd half

David Thomas - Roland Atelier DHOS March, Ain't misbehavin, "Edelweiss", Ding Dong Merrily on High, Sir James Galway-piramo e tisbe tamborin, Poor Wandering One, The Entertainer, The Black And White Rag, A medley of Dance music, Jingle bells, Away in a manger, Silent night, Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas, Ain't She Sweet? "THE STRIPPER", Van McCoy - The Hustle, Music was my first love, Encore -I'm Dreaming of a white Christmas.

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