

Leicester & District Organists' Association

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Incorporated Association of Organists

Mission Statement: 'To promote the love of pipe organs and all types of organ music throughout Leicester and Leicestershire region and beyond, being fully inclusive of players and non-players alike.'

Hon Secretary:

Phillip J Herbert

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Christine Luckcuck

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Carole W Herbert

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Christmas is upon us once again, and the Officers and Committee wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Unfortunately the arrangements for November's meeting could not be finalised, however, members were emailed to draw their attention to the recital at Westcotes URC on Hinckley Road Leicester. This took place on Wednesday 28th to celebrate the Centenary of the Taylor instrument. Those taking part included David Crick, Ian Imlay and Simon Headley, who played a variety of works by various composers that demonstrated the versatility of the organ. An enjoyable occasion that was further enhanced by light refreshments served between the four sections of music played by the recitalists, almost a "salon event" and very enjoyable.

As regards the Benevolent Fund recital in February, the Hon Sec is seeking two members to volunteer to take part together with our Bursary student. Please contact the Hon Sec.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The annual Benevolent Recital this year takes place on Saturday 16th February at 3.00pm. The venue is St Catherine's Parish Church Burbage, and afterwards there will be light refreshments.

Advanced notice of the following meetings:

The March meeting will take place on Saturday March 16th, venues tba;

The AGM will be held on Saturday April 27th at 11.00am in St Margaret's Choir Room;

May's meeting will be a visit to churches in the West Kesteven area of Lincolnshire that will be on the same weekend as the Churches Festival on Saturday May 11th, tbc.

RECITALS AND CONCERTS

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS AT ST. MARGARET'S Parish Church Leicester

January 10th - Simon Murphy
February 14th - Dr Laurence Rogers

March 14th - Sebastian Carrington
April 11th - Iain Harvey

ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH MELTON MOWBRAY - LUNCHTIME RECITALS 1.00PM

on the recently restored Sir Malcolm Sargent Memorial Organ

January 8th - Ivan Linford (Oakham)
January 22nd - Ian Imlay (St Nicholas' Church Leicester)
February 12th - David Hill (formerly Master of Music at Westminster & Winchester Cathedrals)
February 26th - Iain Harvey (Charles James Organs)
March 12th - Brian Varley (St Andrew's Church Bishop Auckland)
March 26th - Michael Overbury (formerly Director of Music Worksoop Priory)
April 9th - Edward McCall (Director of Music Ratcliffe College)
April 23rd - Simon Headley (formerly Assistant Director of Music Leicester Cathedral)
May 14th - Anne de Graeve (a former Director of Music, St Mary's Melton Mowbray)
May 28th - Ian Orr (Organist Emeritus St Thomas' Church South Wigston)
Nicky Booth - Piano (Staffordshire)
June 11th - Stephen Power (Director of Music Brecon Cathedral)

HOLY CROSS PRIORY - New Walk Leicester, Lunchtime Organ recitals at 1.15pm

Friday February 1st - Philip Bricher

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If any members have an ideas/proposed venues for a meeting please contact the Hon Sec so
that these can be included in the 2019/20 program.
