

A Glimpse at Members Abroad

Victoria Hay, a UK-based member of the Society, recently played a recital at St Paul's Cathedral, London.



Would you like to see yourself on this page? If you want to highlight a Society event, or something that you've recently done to promote the aims of the Society, please contact Colin Prohasky to discuss submitting a photo for the front page of the newsletter.

Contact details for Colin and all office bearers in the Society are on the back page.

Next Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Council of the Society will be on **Friday 30 April**. Anyone wishing to raise items for this meeting, please contact the President, Gordon Atkinson, by **Wednesday 28 April**.

Coming events

Through the Archives with Simon Colvin

7.30pm, Friday 21 May, St John's Anglican Church, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell

Simon Colvin presents a fascinating talk based around recordings and images of organists ancient and modern.

Queen's Birthday visit to Bendigo, Monday 14 June

As previously announced, the Society is planning to visit Bendigo on Monday June 14. This event will include a visit to the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Bendigo, and a winery lunch. Following the success and enjoyment of last year's bus trip to the Yarra Valley, the Society will again be providing transport to allow members to travel as a group without the stress of driving! Full itinerary will be provided in the June newsletter. Cost of the bus will be \$20 per member, \$25 for non-members. Places will be limited. Expressions of interest for the bus to Christopher Trikalis via email to vicepresident@sov.org.au or 0402 678 148 by Friday 4 June.

Saturday 25 September

Open console – venue to be announced.

Cup day, Tuesday 2 November

Organ visit to Ivanhoe, including the Society's Annual General Meeting.

COMING EVENTS AT THE MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

ORGAN-ic JAZZ AT THE MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

Saturday 1 May, 10.00am and 12 noon.

Play School's Big Jazz Adventure. Join Justine Clarke, Jay Laga'aia, Big Ted, Little Ted, Jemima, Humpty and some of Australia's finest jazz musicians in a one-off concert that lets children discover the fun of jazz and improvisation. Featuring Rowan Vince on the Grand Organ. Ticket prices: \$15. Children music be accompanied by an adult. Suitable for children aged 2-5. Bookings at Ticketmaster 136100 or Melbourne Jazz.

OVERGROUND – A FESTIVAL WITHIN A FESTIVAL

Sunday 2 May, 2.00pm to 8.00pm.

Overground celebrates the rich diversity of the underground music culture in Melbourne in some surprising spaces of the Melbourne Town Hall. Featuring a spectacular line-up of some of the most celebrated creative jazz and improvising artists from Melbourne and around the world, including Anthony Pateras on the Grand Organ. Ticket prices: \$30. General admission. Bookings at Ticketmaster 136100 or Melbourne Jazz.

Organ-ic Lunch with David Macfarlane

1.00pm, Wednesday 16 June. Free entry.

David Macfarlane is Organist at Newman College in the University of Melbourne, and Director of Music at All Saints' Church, East St. Kilda. This concert will be his Melbourne Town Hall solo organ debut, and will feature German Romantic music including surprising works by Rheinberger and Mendelssohn.

For more information about all forthcoming Melbourne Town Hall organ concerts, visit www.thatsmelbourne.com.au/grandorgan

CLASSIC ORGAN WORKSHOP

Thursday 29 April, 7.30pm at Bernies Music Land, 381 Canterbury Road, Ringwood.

Dominic Perissinotto is one of Australia's most exciting recitalists, widely sought after as a soloist and accompanist. He is Organist and Director of Music at St Patrick's Basilica, Fremantle. Dominic will be giving an exciting performance and plenty of classical organ playing and registration tips, performing on the Johannus WM-44 Classic Organ. Entry only \$10, or MusiClub 2010 voucher. Enquiries: 9872 5122

ST AIDAN'S MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT

Sunday 2 May, 2.30pm at St Aidan's Church, Duggan Street, North Balwyn (Melway Map 46 F3).

The second concert in St Aidan's Music Society 2010 concert series will feature the well known and popular organist, Dominic Perissinotto with associate artists Briar Goessi (violin) and Noeleen Wright ('cello) in a varied program including, for the organ, Bonnet's Variations de Concert and Albinoni's Adagio as well as works for the violin and cello by Bach, St Saens, Biber and Paert. Admission \$20 includes refreshments. Enquiries 9890 8322.

FORTHCOMING BACH CANTATA SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S SOUTHGATE

St John's Lutheran Church, Southgate, presents the thirteenth annual series of services incorporating choral music by J.S. Bach.

Thursday 13 May, 7.30pm **Vespers for Ascension Day**

Wir danken dir, Gott, wir danken dir (BWV 29) for 4 soloists, choir, strings, 2 oboes, 3 trumpets, timpani, organ solo and continuo. Harold Fabrikant (organ), St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra. Dir. Graham Lieschke.

Sunday 23 May, 9.00am **Festival Eucharist for Pentecost Sunday**

Erwünschtes Freudenlicht (BWV 184) for 4 soloists, choir, 2 flutes, strings and continuo.

Early Music Studio Baroque Ensemble and Early Voices (dir. Vivien Hamilton) from the Early Music Studio, School of Music, University of Melbourne. Dir. Greg Dikmans.

Sunday 6 June, 9.00am **Eucharist for the Second Sunday after Pentecost**

Wer weiß, wie nahe mir mein Ende? (BWV 27) for 4 soloists, choir, strings, 2 oboes incl. oboe da caccia, horn, organ solo and continuo, and *Fürchte dich nicht (BWV 228)* motet for double chorus.

Australian Chamber Choir and St Johns Bach Orchestra. Dir. Douglas Lawrence.

Sunday 15 August, 9.00am **Eucharist for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme (BWV 140) for 3 soloists, choir, strings, 3 oboes and continuo

St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra. Dir. Graham Lieschke.

Sunday 26 September, 9.00am **Eucharist in observance of St Michael's Day**

Es erhub sich ein Streit (BWV 19) for 3 soloists, choir, strings, 3 oboes incl. oboe da caccia, 3 trumpets, timpani and continuo. St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra, dir. Albrecht Koch (3rd St Johns Visiting Music Director, from Freiberg, Saxony, Germany).

There is no admission charge for services at St Johns. Parking available at service times.

St Johns Southgate, 20 City Rd, Southbank. Enquiries: telephone 9682 4995.

2010 WINTER CONCERT SERIES AT ST JOHN'S CAMBERWELL

St John's Anglican Church, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell 3124

Sunday 16 May, 3.00pm **Beverley Sheehan and Swingshift**

A concert of traditional Jazz music performed by one of the Australian Jazz legends Beverley Sheehan with the Swingshift Band.

Sunday 20 June, 3.00pm **With A Voice of Singing**

Organist and Director of Music at St John's Camberwell, Jennifer Chou will direct a program of organ and choral works by Mozart, Rutter, and Schumann. Guest performer will be Clough Choristers with conductor Brian Clough.

Sunday 18 July, 3.00pm **Rising Stars Organ and Voice Duet**

Organ and voice concert by Jonathan Hope and Allegra Giagu. Allegra was acclaimed for her solo performances in the Edinburgh Military Tattoo - Salute to Australia 2005 seen by a live and television audience of over 7-million. Jonathan will be organ scholar at Southwark Cathedral from June 2010. Program includes The Angelus by Louis Vierne.

Sunday 12 September, 3.00pm Lovebirds Magicflutes

A concert featuring flautists Peter Sheridan (teacher at VCA and University of Melbourne) and Lisa-Maree Amos (Principal flute of Orchestra Victoria). The duo have performed worldwide in the US, Europe, and Australia.

Sunday 17 October, 3.00pm John Mallinson Youth Band

The John Mallinson Youth Band premiered in the 2009 Kingston Massed Bands Festival. The brass section participated in the workshop by the Vienna Trombone Quartet in 2009. Guest conductor: John Mallinson.

Single Ticket \$25, Concession \$20, Full-time students: \$10. Discount 20% for booking of 4 or more tickets. Refreshments included.

Church comfortably heated. Tickets and enquires please call: (03) 9882 4851 or 0410 844 552

MATTHEW SCHULTZ RECITAL AT MOOROOLBARK

Sunday 9 May, 2.30pm at St Francis in the Fields Anglican Church, 224 Hull Road, Mooroolbark. (Melway 51 G1)

Including music by Percy Grainger, Robert & Clara Schumann, JS Bach, Nadia Boulanger and Edward MacDowell. Afternoon tea to follow. \$15/\$10 concession (under 12 free). enquiries: 9761 9242.

ORGAN AND CHOIR CONCERT FOR ASCENSIONTIDE

Sunday 16 May, 3.00pm at Our Lady of Victories Basilica, 548 Burke Rd, Camberwell.

David Agg with the Choir of Queen's College directed by Matthew Champion. Choral music by Lotti (Crucifixus), Guerrero, Howells (Like as the hart) and Harris (Most glorious Lord of life); Organ music by Pachelbel (Ricercare), Brahms (Chorale preludes) and Preston (Allelujahs). Entry by donation \$5. Enquiries 9809 4426.

CONCERTS AT ST ANDREW'S, BRIGHTON

Sunday 16 May, 3.00pm **Four Hands on the Organ and Piano**

Tom Healey (Director of Music at St Andrew's), organ; Sonoka Miyake (Asst Organist at St Paul's, Geelong), piano and organ. An entertaining programme of music for organ and piano, organ duet, and two organs. Music includes *The Ride of the Valkyr*.

Thursday 19 August, 8.00pm **Gordon Stewart on the Organ**

A welcome return visit by this impressive organist and engaging personality from Britain. Music by Hollins, Stanley, Bach, Bossi, Lemare, Strayhorn and Swinnon, concluding with the *Final* from Vierne's *Symphonie 1*. Gordon Stewart's return tour will also include concerts at St Paul's Cathedral (lunch hour), St Aidan's North Balwyn and Bernie's Music Land. Details to be advised shortly.

Sunday 12 September, 4.00pm **Melbourne Symphony Orchestra Chorus**

Jonathan Grieves-Smith conducts the MSO Chorus, with Siobhan Stagg (soprano) and Anthony Mackey (bass), in a programme of great Russian (Rachmaninov) and Latvian music, including Australian premieres of sacred pieces by Peteris Vasks and Arturs Maskats.

Sunday 24 October, 3.00pm **The Doug de Vries and Diana Clark Trio**

Doug de Vries (guitarist/composer) and Diana Clark (singer/songwriter) are joined by Stephen Grant (piano accordion) to present a programme ranging from Brazilian music and bossa nova (including songs of Antonio Carlos Jobim) to original pieces for solo guitar, and meditative songs in English and Portuguese.

St Andrew's Anglican Church, cnr New & Church Streets, Brighton.

Single concerts: \$25 (\$20 Concession; \$10 Student/Child).

Four concert subscription: \$75 (\$60 Concession; \$30 Student/Child).

Enquiries/Booking: 9530 5815. Tickets also at the door.

30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR JOHN HOGAN

In celebration of John Hogan's 30th anniversary as Organist and Choir Master at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo – which coincides with the 150th anniversary of the choir's formation – there will be a choir reunion dinner on 29 May 2010. Anyone with memories of John that they would like to contribute to a DVD and book for the occasion, or who would like to donate to a fund for a rank of pipes in the cathedral organ, please contact the Choir Secretary by email to sacredheartchoir@hotmail.com, by post to P.O. Box 682, Bendigo, Victoria, 3552. For more information, contact Kerry Percival on 03 5434 5744.

ORGAN RECITAL AT MORWELL

Sunday 30 May, 2.00pm at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Morwell.

Lindsay Hutchinson will perform a selection of works by JS Bach, Handel, Purcell, Mendelssohn and others, played on the 1873 Speechley & Ingram pipe organ, installed in the church in 1995; 2 manuals, 12 speaking stops and 3 couplers. Local musicians as associate artists. Entry donation. Afternoon tea included.

90TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT, THOMAS HEYWOOD

Sunday 30 May, 2.30pm at Our Lady of Victories Basilica, 548 Burke Rd, Camberwell.

Organ Concert by Thomas Heywood to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the organ, originally built by Magahy of Ireland, rebuilt by Fincham in 1980 with later tonal modifications by Australian Pipe Organs. A virtuosic program with all the action displayed on a big screen. Bach - Sinfonia from Cantata No 29, Bach - Orchestral Suite No 3 in D major, Guilmant - Sonata No 1, and works by Lemare and much more! Adult: \$25 Concession: \$15 Children under 12 free. Enquiries 9809 4426

ORGAN RECITAL AT St GABRIEL'S, RESERVOIR

Sunday 6 June, 3.00pm at St Gabriel's Catholic Church, 1 Viola Street, Reservoir

Kieran Crichton will perform a selection of works including pieces by J.S. Bach, Robert Schumann, Macel Dupre, E.T. Chipp on the Andrewartha / Stephens / Australian Pipe Organs instrument. For enquiries telephone the parish office on 9460 6036, email to stgabrie@bigpond.net.au, or visit <http://kieran-crichton.blogspot.com> for more details about the programme.

CELEBRITY ORGAN RECITAL AT BOX HILL

Sunday 6 June, 3.00pm at St Andrews Uniting Church 909 Whitehorse Road Box Hill.

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the church building and Fincham/HN&B pipe organ on the present site there will be a recital by internationally acclaimed Australian organist Thomas Heywood. Entertaining concert includes video coverage and afternoon tea. Admission \$25/\$20/\$10. Enquiries: 98942335.

125th ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Tuesday 27 July, 7.00pm at Collins Street Baptist Church, Melbourne.

Thomas Trotter is returning to Melbourne to give a pipe organ concert to in celebration of this anniversary. Programme will include some Bach, Hollins, Wammis, and Thomas' special acknowledgment of the Anniversary with an arrangement of the Tschaiakowsky 1812 Overture. (More detail next newsletter)

THE SCOTS' CHURCH 2010 INTERNATIONAL ORGAN SERIES

<i>Tuesday 7 September</i>	<i>6.15pm</i>	The Scots' Church Choir, directed by Douglas Lawrence, with Robin Batterham and Rhys Boak (Organ). <i>Messe Solenne</i> – C.M. Widor, <i>Great is the Lord</i> – E. Elgar. Choral and organ music by Mendelssohn, Gigout & Langlais
<i>Tuesday 14 September</i>	<i>6.15pm</i>	Amy Johansen (University of Sydney Organist). Organ music by Bach, Schumann, Vierne and Robert Ampt.
<i>Tuesday 21 September</i>	<i>6.15pm</i>	Albrecht Koch (Freiberg, Germany). Organ music by Merkel, Karg-Elert, Buxtehude and Bach
<i>Sunday 26 September</i>	<i>3.00pm</i>	Gedymin Grubba (Gdansk, Poland). Organ music by S.S. Wesley and Guilmant.
<i>Tuesday 28 September</i>	<i>6.15pm</i>	James Tibbles (Auckland University). Organ music by J. Blow, Corelli, Handel, J.S. Bach and César Franck.
<i>Wednesday 29 September</i>	<i>2.30pm</i>	Lecture recital by James Tibbles – <i>Hidden Gems, Unlocking the World of Olde English Organ Music</i>

All concerts are free of charge to the public, and all are welcome. The Scots' Church, corner of Collins and Russell Streets, Melbourne. www.scotchurch.com (03) 9650 9903.

Opportunities and Trading Table

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Director of Music required for St John's Toorak to play the 1913 Hill organ, lead the parish choir, and continue a long tradition of musical excellence. This is a rare opportunity to preside at the highly respected and well maintained 3 manual organ, restored by Peter Jewkes in 1995. The position in this busy iconic Anglican parish includes playing for the 8am and 10am Sunday services (Sung Eucharist at 10am), training and directing the choir (including choral scholars), and playing for numerous weddings and funerals. Expressions of interest should be directed to the Revd Dr Bradly Billings, Vicar. Email vicar@saintjohnstoorak.org or phone 9826 1765.

ORGANIST MUSIC MINISTRY LEADER

All Saints Newtown and Geelong West. Applications are sought from well qualified and experienced musicians who will work in a Team Leadership in this well established Parish. We seek a person who will play the organ, establish and lead a choir, help us explore contemporary music in the liturgy. All Saints has a long history of choral music, and wishes to re-establish a choir while developing other areas of music in the life of the Parish. The successful applicant will be a committed Christian and Ecumenist, willing to be part of the music community in Geelong. The fee structure will conform to that suggested by the Society of Organists (Victoria). Contact: Bishop Peter Danaher, 113 Noble Street, Newtown, Vic. 3220. Phone: 5233 1118 Email: office@allsaints.net.au

ORGANIST REQUIRED

Geelong City Parish, Wesley Uniting Church – a qualified musician is sought for this post, to commence from July 2010. The organ is a large three manual instrument built by Grandfather Fincham in 1873 and recently upgraded with Solid State Action by Laurie Pipe Organs. The organist is required to play for one weekly Sunday morning service, Christmas, Easter, other special services, weddings, and funerals. Further duties include accompanying the church choir and consulting with the parish minister in a team environment. Enquiries to Church Secretary, Wesley Uniting Church, 100 Yarra Street, Geelong. 3220. (03) 5229 8866.

ORGAN FOR SALE

Elka Model C1000 Organ (made in Italy) in beautiful condition. It has its original seat and speakers also. Willing to negotiate a fair price for this cherished family instrument. Photos available to interested buyers. Enquiries: Jason Livingstone, Mob: 0418 321 910. Email: jlivingstone@studioconnections.com.au

ORGAN MUSIC FOR SALE

100 items – mostly individual works, but some albums and collected editions; some 2nd-hand, others new. Music by J S Bach, Buxtehude, Dupre, Durufle, Messaien, Rheinberger, Saint-Saens, Mulet, Peeters, Bossi, Reger, Franck, Hindemith, Howells and others. Ideal for a student wishing to build up a collection. For sale as one complete lot. Music has been valued and suggested asking price is \$300 negotiable. Please contact lindsayhutchinson@hotmail.com

SINGING OPPORTUNITIES WANTED

I am a Lyric Coloratura Soprano who recently completed an Advanced Diploma of Opera at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. I have moved to Melbourne and am looking for extra performance experience to sing at weddings, funerals or any ceremony where a warm, clear soprano voice is needed. My voice would add a special element to any occasion. I'm willing to consider travelling anywhere within Victoria. Please call 0402 023 076 or email anneke_wynne@hotmail.com

ORGAN FOR SALE

Viscount Jubileum 232 which has 2 manuals and full 32 note radiating pedalboard. Purchased around 1993 from Bernies Music Land and its still in very good condition, attested by a very recent servicing and minor repair by Barry Wilkinson of Metropolitan Organ Service. Price negotiable. Enquiries to Ian Sutherland, Tel: (03) 9744 1205, Email: iants@labyrinth.net.au

REED ORGAN FOR SALE

The Church St James the Great East St Kilda wishes to sell an antique reed organ manufactured by the *Smith American Organ Company*. It is a one five octave manual, with 8 stops, knee swells and treadles. In very good condition, it is of dark wood in an ornate Victorian Gothic style. To arrange inspection contact Father Roger Kelly OGS on (03) 9527 1017 or email to rkelly@ogs.net

REED ORGAN IN SEARCH OF A GOOD HOME

The Geelong Mission to Seafarers has a unique 'Belle of Canada' reed organ which is in need of a good home. The instrument is approximately 100 years old and consists of two five-octave manuals, twenty stops, knee swells, and treadles all housed in a fine dark walnut case. All offers will be considered. For more information, or to arrange an inspection, contact the Rev. Noah Park via email to mts_geelong@hotmail.com or telephone 03 5278 6985.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES of the SOCIETY OF ORGANISTS

To promote and cultivate an interest in the organ and its music.

To promote a friendly exchange of ideas amongst members of the Society.

To assist players and encourage those who may be interested in learning the organ

To offer advice, if requested, on the rebuilding and design of instruments.

To encourage a high standard of musicianship amongst members.

MEMBERSHIP of the SOCIETY OF ORGANISTS

For a membership form, please visit our website, www.sov.org.au. Membership is not restricted to organists, and anyone with a love and interest in the organ and its music is welcome to join. If you know anyone – young or old! – who might enjoy the activities and opportunities offered by the Society, why not give them a gift subscription? Membership benefits include this Newsletter, which includes notices of coming events, concerts and other organ-related activities in Victoria, and *Organ Australia*, the national quarterly journal.

SUBSCRIPTION PAYMENT

Many members now pay their subscription by bank transfer. This is quick and easy, and saves paper; however, in a few cases the name of the member does not appear on our bank statement – which means we have no information about the person making the payment. As a consequence, reminder notices will continue to be sent. To confirm that you have paid your membership, please return the reminder with a note of the date when the bank transfer was made. For any questions, call our Treasurer, Allan Smith, on 0419 347 787.

SOV WEBSITE

The SOV website is www.sov.org.au. For additional information about Society events, check the *Upcoming Events* page. David Macfarlane is the Society webmaster. Email addresses and telephone numbers for all Council members and other office bearers can be found on the *Contact Us* page.

REGISTRAR OF DEPUTIES

Warwick Lewis (see below) keeps a list of members willing to play for weddings, funerals or locums for Sunday Services.

Advertising in *Organo Pleno* Newsletter

News of forthcoming events, advertisements and other items of interest are published in this newsletter free of charge as a service to members. All copy for advertisements is due by the **20th of each month**. All sale items and job advertisements are carried for three issues only, subject to renewal by the advertiser. Please send all advertisements to the Newsletter Editor, Colin Prohasky (see below). When an item has been sold, or a position filled, please notify the editor to stop your advertisement.

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