

A SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Council is delighted to learn that two members of the Society have had their PhD theses accepted. Congratulations are sent to Paul Taylor and Kieran Crichton. Details as they are learned will be passed on to members.

The resignation of Kieran Crichton as Secretary was accepted at a meeting of Council on 30 April. His eighteen months in this position is acknowledged with thanks. Other council members are sharing these duties at present, and all correspondence will be answered promptly as usual.

Any member who has not yet paid his/her 2009/10 dues is asked to contact our membership secretary, Simon Colvin.

Gordon Atkinson.

Coming events...

■ Queen's Birthday visit to Bendigo, Monday 14 June.

Following the success of the 2009 tour to the Yarra Valley (including a bus and winery visit), the Society is delighted to offer this 2010 tour to Bendigo.

- 8.30am** Bus leaves All Saints' Anglican Church, cnr Chapel St and Dandenong Road, St Kilda. (ample parking and close to public transport).
- 9.30am** Visit to Kyneton Performing Arts Centre (ex Congregational Church), 2-manual 1890 George Fincham Organ.
- 11.30am** Visit to Long Gully Uniting Church, 2-manual 1882 Alfred Fuller organ (Demonstration by Samuel Whitehead).
- 12.30pm** Visit to Sacred Heart Cathedral, 4-manual 1904 Bishop and Sons organ (Demonstration by John Hogan).
- 1.30pm** Lunch at Balgownie Estate Winery, Maiden Gully. A surprise is planned for the afternoon!
An estimated return to Melbourne of 5.30pm.

We especially invite Society members in Northern Victoria to join us for part or all of the day.

Some places are still available for the bus - an enjoyable, hassle-free way to travel with great company and featuring a quiz prepared by Simon Colvin. Members \$20, non-members \$25.

All enquiries/bookings to Christopher Trikilis (Vice President) on 0402 678 148 or 9891 3060 by Monday 7 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.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL LUNCH HOUR ORGAN RECITALS

- Tuesday 1 June, 1.15pm** Organ Duo – Colin Andrews and Janette Fishell (USA)
- Tuesday 15 June, 1.15pm** Ian Sadler (Toronto, Canada)
- Tuesday 17 August, 1.15pm** Gordon Stewart (UK)
- Tuesday 19 October, 1.15pm** Martin Setchell (Christchurch, NZ)

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.

- 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.

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, Marcel Dupre, E.T. Chipp on the Andrewartha / Stephens / Australian Pipe Organs instrument. For enquiries telephone the parish office on 9460 6036, email to sstgabri@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: 9894 2335.

ST AIDAN'S MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT

Sunday 13 June, 2.30pm at St Aidan's Church, Duggan Street, North Balwyn (Melway Map 46 F3).

St Aidan's Music Society is proud to present the outstanding performers, Chris Howlett (cello) and Stefan Cassomenos (piano), in a varied program. Admission \$20 includes refreshments. Enquiries 9890 8322.

COMING EVENT AT THE MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

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

2010 WINTER CONCERT SERIES AT ST JOHN'S CAMBERWELL

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

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

MELBOURNE THEATRE ORGAN CLUB NIGHT

Tuesday 29 June, 8.00pm at Malvern Town Hall, cnr High Street and Glenferrie Road, Malvern.

An 'Open Console' event (shifted forward from 30 June). SOV members who are thinking of coming along can request a layout of the console. There will be a member of TOSA present who is familiar with the instrument. Suggested performance time is 10 minutes, so that everyone can have a turn. Enquiries: 9891 7227. Website: www.vicnet.net.au/~organ

125th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALFRED FULLER PIPE ORGAN

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

Thomas Trotter is returning to Melbourne specially to give a pipe organ concert in Celebration of this Anniversary. His programme will include works by Bach, Hollins, Wammis and Thomas' special acknowledgment of the Anniversary with an arrangement of the Tchaikowsky *1812 Overture* by E Evans. Admission: \$25/\$20 concession. He will also be bringing CD's for sale. Enquiries: Joy Hearne 9893 3095 or Elise Carter at the Church Office who will accept bookings by cheque/visa - Ph: 9650 1180 or email elise@csbc.org.au

CONCERTS AT ST ANDREW'S BRIGHTON

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

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 I*.

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.

Admission: \$25 (\$20 Concession; \$10 Student/Child). Enquiries/Booking: 9530 5815. Tickets also at the door.

GORDON STEWART CONCERTS

Sunday 22 August Recital at St Aidan's Uniting Church, North Balwyn.

Tuesday 24 August Recital at Bernie's MusicLand, Ringwood.

Possible masterclass for young students in particular. More detail to be advised - phone Joy Hearne 9893 3095.

THE SCOTS' CHURCH 2010 INTERNATIONAL ORGAN SERIES

The Scots' Church, corner of Collins and Russell Streets, Melbourne.

Tuesday 7 September, 6.15pm

The Scots' Church Choir, directed by Douglas Lawrence, with Robin Batterham and Rhys Boak (Organ). *Messe Solenne* – C.M. Widor, *Great is the Lord* – E. Elgar. Choral and organ music by Mendelssohn, Gigout & Langlais.

Tuesday 14 September, 6.15pm

Amy Johansen (University of Sydney Organist). Organ music by Bach, Schumann, Vierne and Robert Ampt.

Tuesday 21 September, 6.15pm

Albrecht Koch (Freiberg, Germany). Organ music by Merkel, Karg-Elert, Buxtehude and Bach.

Sunday 26 September, 3.00pm

Gedymin Grubba (Gdansk, Poland). Organ music by S.S. Wesley and Guilman.

Tuesday 28 September, 6.15pm

James Tibbles (Auckland University). Organ music by J. Blow, Corelli, Handel, J.S. Bach and César Franck.

Wednesday 29 September, 2.30pm

Lecture recital by James Tibbles – *Hidden Gems*, Unlocking the World of Olde English Organ Music.

All concerts are free of charge to the public, and all are welcome. www.scotschurch.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, ST MARY'S CAULFIELD

St Mary's is a growing evangelical parish with a charismatic ethos (www.smac.org.au). Following the retirement of William Glasson, St Mary's seeks an organist to support the worship of our more traditional 9.00am service, whose congregation includes a choir of 5 members. The digital organ, which has 70 stops and three manuals, was custom built by Musicom Organs in 2008. An annual honorarium is negotiable in line with Society of Organist rates. There are around 10-15 funerals each year and a similar number of weddings. The position is subject to completion of a Working with Children check. Applications close August 20. All inquiries to the Revd Dr Mark Durie (mark@smac.org.au or 03 9018 7862).

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 PIPES & CHESTS FOR SALE

One rank of Oboe 8' pipes. 61 notes. Spotted metal with bells to CC. Excellent condition. \$500. One rank of Vox Humana 8' pipes. Low pressure. Excellent condition. \$200. Three (3) Compton electro-pneumatic chests. 61 notes for Oboe; Vox; Viol & Celeste. \$50 each. Buyer collects. Call Bill Glasson on 9523 6523.

ORGAN FOR SALE

Conn Minuet Model 542 organ for sale. Perfect working order. Complete with bench, all books and service manual. Light walnut finish. Genuine best offer. Realistic value. Inspection welcome. Enquiries Ph: 9551 7514.

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 FOR FREE

Yamaha Electone Model B-7D available FREE with relevant documents. May suit a small church or aged care village. Contact for pick-up arrangements apply to Mr Colin Simpson (03) 9890 3257.

HYMN BOOK REQUIRED

I would like to purchase a copy of the Full Music Edition of the CATHOLIC WORSHIP BOOK which has been out of print for many years. You may know of someone who no longer has a use for it. Call Ron on 0430 826 300 (24 hrs) or e-mail aliron@ozemail.com.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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