

## 2010/11 UNPAID MEMBERSHIPS

You would be aware that the end of the financial year is rapidly approaching, and unfortunately there are still a number of members yet to pay their 2010/11 dues. Please do not leave this to the last minute! If this is you (or could be you), please contact Simon Colvin (Membership Secretary) on 0409 202 875 or [members@sov.org.au](mailto:members@sov.org.au) by the end of this month (May).

## VALE GLEN HART

The Society notes the recent passing of long-time member Glen Hart (1927-2011). An SOV member since 1959, Glen held a dual career as an industrial chemist (working with the CSIRO and later Kodak) and musician, being organist for many years at St James' Old Cathedral, King Street and later at the Surrey Hills Methodist (Uniting) Church. On retirement, he took on the ambitious task of completing a Bachelor of Music degree at the Australian Catholic University at age 65. He was farewelled at a service at Surrey Hills on Tuesday 19 April. Our thoughts are with the Hart family and his numerous friends over many years in the Society at this time. Christopher Trikilis.

## Society Events...

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| ➤ ORGAN OPEN DAY AROUND MORNINGTON PENINSULA          | 13 June, Queens Birthday |
| ➤ FILM AFTERNOON AT ST JOHNS CAMBERWELL               | August                   |
| ➤ WAKELEY PIPE ORGANS FACTORY VISIT                   | September                |
| ➤ JOSEPH NOLAN ORGAN CONCERT AT ST PATRICKS CATHEDRAL | 19 October               |
| ➤ FOOTSCRAY ORGAN CRAWL & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING      | 1 November, Melb Cup Day |
| ➤ SOV ANNUAL DINNER                                   | 11 November              |

## QUEENS BIRTHDAY TOUR TO THE MORNINGTON PENINSULA

Monday, 13 June (Full Day)

Mark your diaries and join us for this year's annual Queen's Birthday tour to the Mornington Peninsula. We will be visiting organs in Chelsea, Flinders and Mornington and of course visiting Red Hill's wineries. A full itinerary will be provided in the June newsletter. A bus will also operate on the day with pickup points in the inner suburbs (to be confirmed) and Chelsea, allowing you to enjoy the day without the hassle of driving. If you have not been to an SOV event in recent years, make the effort and join us! All enquiries to Christopher Trikilis on 0402 678 148 or [christrikilis@sov.org.au](mailto:christrikilis@sov.org.au)

## Other Events...

### BACH CANTATA SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S SOUTHGATE

St John's Lutheran Church, Southgate, presents the 14<sup>th</sup> annual series of services incorporating choral music by JS Bach.

**Sunday 1 May, 9.00am** Sunday Eucharist (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Easter)

*Halt im Gedächtnis Jesum Christ* (BWV 67) for 3 soloists, choir, strings, 2 oboes d'amore, flute, horn and continuo.

St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra, Directed by Graham Lieschke.

**Thursday 2 June, 7.30pm** Vespers (Ascension Day)

*Lobet Gott in seinen Reichen* (BWV 11) Ascension Oratorio for 4 soloists, choir, strings, 2 oboes, 2 flutes, 3 trumpets, timpani and continuo. Robert Macfarlane (tenor). St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra, Directed by Graham Lieschke.

**Sunday 26 June, 9.00am** Sunday Eucharist (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

*Jesu, meine Freude* (BWV 227) Motet for 5-part choir. Australian Chamber Choir. Directed by Douglas Lawrence.

**Sunday 31 July, 10.00am** Sunday Eucharist (8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

*Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan* (BWV 100) for 4 soloists, choir, strings, oboe d'amore, flute, 2 horns, timpani and continuo.

Celebrating 150 years of the St John's Congregation. St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra, Directed by Graham Lieschke.

St Johns Southgate, 20 City Rd, Southbank. Parking available at service times. No admission charge. Enquiries: telephone 9682 4995.

### ST AIDAN'S MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERTS

St Aidan's Church, Duggan Street, North Balwyn (Melway Map 46 F3).

**Sunday 1 May, 2.30pm** Sylvie Leprohon (flute) and Sarah Denholm (piano)

Sylvie and Sarah will perform works by JS Bach, JN Hummel, J Brahms, Lennox Berkeley, Eugene Bozza and John Carmichael.

**Sunday 22 May, 2.30pm** Musical Society of Victoria

Prize Winners from competitions for instrumentalists 12 years and under and 15 years and under.

**Sunday 5 June, 2.30pm** Maroondah Singers

The return of these popular singers, directed by Lyn Henshall and with accompanist Dr John Atwell, are sure to please with their varied program covering so many different styles.

Admission to each concert is \$20 and includes refreshments. Further details phone 9890 8322 or [mmathers@netspace.net.au](mailto:mmathers@netspace.net.au).

## A 40<sup>TH</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION EVENT

*Thursday 5 May, 1.00pm - 2.00pm* at St Michael's Church, cnr Collins and Russell Streets, Melbourne.

Born in Treviso, Northern Italy, Sergio de Pieri graduated in Piano, Organ and Organ Composition from the Benedetto Marcello Conservatorium in Venice. In the 1960s he settled in Melbourne, Australia. He was responsible in Australia for reviving interest in the organ and its true repertoire. He was Organist at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, and Chief Study Organ Lecturer at the University of Melbourne. For twenty years he has held the Chair of Principal Teacher of Organ and Organ Composition at the Benedetto Marcello Conservatorium in Venice. He has many recordings to his credit and performs widely, especially in Europe, USA, Canada and Australia, and has been the Artistic Director of the Organs of the Ballarat Goldfields Festival. More recently he founded and is the Artistic Director of the Murray River International Music Festival. Entry is free. Enquiries: [office@stmichaels.org.au](mailto:office@stmichaels.org.au) Ph: 9654 5120.

## THOMAS HEYWOOD ORGAN RECITAL

*Saturday 7 May, 8.00pm* at All Saints' Anglican Church, cnr Church and Grimshaw Streets, Greensborough.

Enquiries: 1300 66 12 44 <http://www.concertorgan.com>

## ORGAN RECITAL – WESLEY BOX HILL

*Sunday 15 May, 2.30pm* at Wesley Uniting Church, cnr Oxford and Station Streets, Box Hill.

You are invited to an organ recital to celebrate the completion of restoration work on the heritage listed 1877 'Father Willis' organ. Our organist John Cleghorn will delight us with some fine music and will be supported by Jordie Howell, soprano, who was placed in the final six competitors at the International Blind and Vision Impaired Music Championships held in Prague during March this year. The recital will be followed by afternoon tea. Donation \$15/\$10 concession. Proceeds toward the Uniting Church Victorian Flood Appeal.

## CHURCH MUSIC WORKSHOP

*Saturday 21 May, 9.30am - 3.15pm* at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wonthaggi-Korumburra Road, Wonthaggi.

Come along and join other enthusiastic singers and accompanists at the 2011 Gippsland Church Music Workshop. A modern building, designed 'in the round', the church is a great venue for such an event. Morning and afternoon tea and a light lunch are included in the modest registration fee of \$25. Leaders for the day have donated their services. The proposed program includes sessions for accompanists, including guitarists; sessions with singing guru Fay Magee (Cowes); introduction to new music recently published for the Catholic Church and written by Australian composers (suitable for inclusion in worship services for all denominations); and the first public showing of a brief history of pipe organs of Gippsland by Anthony Hahn (Sale). Registrations by **Saturday 14 May** to Marion Dewar (03 5662 4432) [imdewar@dcsi.net.au](mailto:imdewar@dcsi.net.au)

## THOMAS HEYWOOD GRAND ORGAN CONCERT AND CD LAUNCH

*Sunday 22 May, 2.00pm* at Melbourne Town Hall, 100 Swanston Street, Melbourne.

The City of Melbourne & Organ Concert International present Australia's own world-renowned concert organist Thomas Heywood in a stunning Sunday afternoon concert. Heywood returns to the Melbourne Town Hall to perform *The Living Tradition*, a collection of music – now on CD – that highlights the magnificent history of the Melbourne Town Hall Grand Organ. From a grand march composed for the Town Hall organ's opening in 1872 to the romance composed by long-time Town Hall organist Sir William McKie, the program has something for everyone, including works by Handel, Elgar and Wagner and Sibelius. The launch of the CD, released on ProOrgano, coincides with the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the restored instrument. Thomas Heywood first performed on the Grand Organ when he was 16, made the first major commercial recording on the instrument at 18 and performed a year-long series of concerts on it when he was just 20. Doors open at 1.00pm. Expected finish time: 4.30pm. Bookings Tel: 1300 66 12 44.

Email: [bookings@concertorgan.com](mailto:bookings@concertorgan.com) and [grandorgan@melbourne.vic.gov.au](mailto:grandorgan@melbourne.vic.gov.au) Website: [www.thatsmelbourne.com.au/grandorgan](http://www.thatsmelbourne.com.au/grandorgan)

## SAM ALLCHURCH RECITAL AT MOOROOLBARK

*Sunday 29 May, 2.30pm* at St Francis in the Fields Anglican Church, 224 Hull Road, Mooroolbark. (Melway 51 G1)

Composers will include Bach, Finzi & Howells. Afternoon tea to follow. \$15 / \$10 concession (under 12 free). Enquiries: 9761 9242.

## SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION

*Sunday 29 May, 2.30pm* at the Bardin Centre, Christ Church Brunswick, 8 Glenlyon Road, Brunswick. (Melway map 29 G8)

A recital of 20<sup>th</sup> Century neo-classical French music, featuring Vivien Hamilton – Soprano, Mardi McSullea – Flute, and Len Vorster – Piano. Tickets \$30/\$25. FOTM members \$5 discount. Contact: [music@christchurchbrunswick.org](mailto:music@christchurchbrunswick.org) or telephone (03) 9388 0623 or 0413 348 877 for more information.

## CANBERRA COURSE ON CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Places are available in both full and short courses for theological students, post-graduate students, clergy, liturgists, worship leaders and musicians of all denominations. The following are public events to be held in Wesley Uniting Church, Canberra –

*Sunday 3 July, 3.00pm* [Hymn Festival](#)

*Saturday 9 July, 7.30pm* [Song Festival](#)

Enquiries to Garth Mansfield, Director, Wesley Music Centre, [wesleymc@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wesleymc@bigpond.net.au) Ph: 02 6232 7248 (Tues-Fri 10am – 3pm)

## CAVAILLÉ-COLL ORGANS OF NORTHERN FRANCE

*Friday 8 – Friday 15 July, 2012.* To mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Aristide Cavallé-Coll, this is an exclusive pilgrimage to his most beautiful organs in Northern France. The tour begins in Paris then by bus to view organs at Rouen, Abbaye de Royaumont, Elbeuf, Lisieux, Caen, Bayeux, Bolbec, Dieppe, Long, Douai, Cambrai, Valenciennes and Épernay, then return to Paris. Much to see and hear, plus the chance to play. An organ holiday for organ enthusiasts and professionals. Website: [www.ORGANpromotion.org](http://www.ORGANpromotion.org)

## THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS

*Thursdays, 1.00pm*, at St Michael's Uniting Church, cnr Collins and Russell Streets, Melbourne.

The St Michael's Carillon will be sounded and the grand organ will come to life for a free 30 minute recital.

*12 May* Jennifer Chou (Organist of St John's Camberwell)

*19 May* Rhys Boak (Organist and Manager of Music, St Michael's)

*26 May* Rhys Boak

## YOUNG BRITISH ORGANIST AT SCOTCH COLLEGE

*Friday 29 July, 7.45pm* in the Scotch College Memorial Hall, 1 Morrison St, Hawthorn.

Ben Sheen will have just graduated from Oxford University, where whilst completing a degree in Music, he has been organ scholar at Christ Church Cathedral. Prior to this he was an organ scholar at Eton College. He has performed throughout the UK, including with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, and toured the USA. He has gained his Fellowship of the Royal College of Organists, winning several prizes and is to undertake postgraduate organ studies at the Juilliard. He will play the Poulenc Organ Concerto with our Scotch Symphony Orchestra as well as solo items for the organ. Tickets \$20, available at the door.

## REFLECTIONS OF AN ORGANBUILDER – POSTPONED

*September, date to be decided*, at St Aidan's Uniting Church, Duggan Street, North Balwyn.

Originally scheduled for Sunday 27 March, John Hargraves, Managing Director of South Island Organ Co, was to give a talk entitled 'Reflections of an Organbuilder'. John had to cancel his whole Australian tour, including this talk, due to the Christchurch earthquake and the tragedy that befell several workers in the collapse of the Durham St Methodist church. He intends to reschedule the talk later in the year on his September trip.

## RSCM AUSTRALIA SUMMER SCHOOL, PERTH

*9- 16 January, 2012* at St George's College within the University of Western Australia.

Music Director, Joseph Nolan, Organist and Master of the Choristers at St George's Cathedral, Perth.

Organist, Jacinta Jakovcevic, Director of Cathedral Music and Principal Organist of St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.

Major sessions – Music in small churches, An auditioned choir, Hand bell ringing, Vocal technique and Organ master classes.

Full details and registration form will be available on the RSCM website in June / July at [www.rscmaustralia.org.au](http://www.rscmaustralia.org.au)

Further information, contact Mrs Sheila Byfield, Administrator, RSCM Summer School 2012, 59 Alvaston Drive, Carine WA 6020.

Email: [sbyfield@three.com.au](mailto:sbyfield@three.com.au) or [ss12@rscmaustralia.org.au](mailto:ss12@rscmaustralia.org.au)

## YOUNG PERFORMERS AWARD

The 2MBS-FM 102.5 Young Performers Award (YPA) is a valuable learning experience for young performers and excellent preparation for those aspiring to a career in music. Past 2MBS-FM 102.5 Young Performers include Richard Tognetti, William Chen, Duncan Gifford, Asmira Woodward-Page, Natalie Chee, Tamara Anna Cislowska, Philip Arkinstall, Andrea Lam, Domenica Matthews, Caroline Wenbourne and Gorknur Ray.

This is an annual event, where the major component is the live-to-air broadcast of the semi-finalists' recitals at 2MBS-FM 102.5. Selected by audition, the performers prepare a recital of around forty-five minutes in duration, which must include at least one Australian work. Finalists are chosen and a date is set aside for the live to air broadcast competition. The prize money is **\$3,000**. Details of the Award can be found on the 2MBS website. [http://www.2mbs.com/content\\_common/pg-Young-Performers-Award](http://www.2mbs.com/content_common/pg-Young-Performers-Award)

The Music Society of Victoria (MSV) runs the Armstead Singing Award and the instrumental Hephzibah Menuhin Memorial Award comprising string, piano and wind sections, and is happy to include an organ section if there are sufficient candidates. The winners of each section are judged at a final held by 3MBS-FM, and this finalist is then entered for the YPA.

Further enquiries: MSV General Secretary, Mrs Geraldine de Korte, Tel: (03) 9509 7767 [musvic@bigpond.net.au](mailto:musvic@bigpond.net.au)

Judy Deacon, Youth Development Coordinator, Tel: (02) 9439 4777 [musiced@2mbs.com](mailto:musiced@2mbs.com)

# Opportunities and Trading Table

## JOHANNUS DIGITAL ORGAN FOR SALE

Two manual Johannus Opus 20, manufactured 2005, fully maintained and as new. Includes stool and 4 external speakers (3 generals plus a sub-woofer). Ideal for a church or private practice instrument, currently housed in Melbourne CBD, \$12,000 neg.

Contact Mel Waters 0433 887 645 or email [melwaters702@gmail.com](mailto:melwaters702@gmail.com)

## BASS CHORAL SCHOLAR POSITION

Christ Church, an Anglo-Catholic parish in Glenlyon Road, Brunswick, has as tradition of fine choral music with an extensive music library and an excellent modern neo-classical organ. Christ Church currently has a vacancy for a bass choral scholar for immediate start for the right person. You will be required to sing one Sunday morning service per week, one Thursday rehearsal per week and one Sunday evening service once a month, plus a couple of extra services through the year. The choir is in recess in January and at other times by arrangement. Payment is quarterly in arrears. For further information and to obtain a position description, please email: [music@christchurchbrunswick.org](mailto:music@christchurchbrunswick.org).

## THE SOUNDS OF ST ANDREW'S CD

A CD Celebrating the church's 75 Years in Box Hill features organist Richard Hoy playing the historic Fincham/Hill, Norman and Beard pipe organ in St Andrew's Uniting Church, Box Hill. For further details of the CD and the organ, see the St Andrew's web site [www.boxhill.unitingchurch.org.au](http://www.boxhill.unitingchurch.org.au) The CD can be obtained by sending a cheque made out to **St Andrews Church** for \$14 (includes postage) with return contact details to: The Church Office, 909 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill 3128, marked **CD purchase**.

## SILENT FILM ACCOMPANISTS IN AUSTRALIA

Australia's Silent Film Festival is a not-for-profit group that presents restored classic silent film with live music. Details of events can be accessed at their website: [www.ozsilentfilmfestival.com.au](http://www.ozsilentfilmfestival.com.au) A register of Silent Film Accompanists in Australia from the period 1896 – 1930 is being compiled, and SOV members can assist by sending the following information: Name of musician, years active, cinemas and locations, types of instruments, films accompanied, and memorabilia eg, types of music, cue sheets, photos.

Contact Ronnie or Sharon by email: [info@ozsilentfilmfestival.com.au](mailto:info@ozsilentfilmfestival.com.au) or PO Box 3424 Sydney NSW 2001, or phone 0419 267 318.

## HISTORIC PIPE ORGANS OF MELBOURNE VOL. 1

Introduced by John Sheridan and featuring extensive interviews with John Maidment, this new DVD contains an hour of music played on the following historic pipe organs:

James Moyle 1 manual pipe organ at St Linus', Merlynston.  
 FW Nicholson 2 manual pipe organ at St Patrick's, Mentone.  
 Joseph Walker 3 manual pipe organ at St Stephen's, Richmond.

William Stone 2 manual pipe organ at Uniting Church, Blackburn.  
 Alfred Fuller 2 manual pipe organ at St Mark's, Fawkner.  
 TC Lewis 4 manual pipe organ at St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne.

Price: \$25 each plus postage. Postage is \$6 for the first copy and \$2 for each additional item. Phone enquiries: 9879 6368.

To order online using a credit card: <http://www.assemble-edit.com.au/sales.html>

To order by post please mail your payment to: Michael Wallis, 96A Loughnan Road, Ringwood Vic 3134.

## GREAT AUSTRALASIAN ORGANS CD

Martin Setchell's latest CD in the *Great Australasian Organs VII* series (as reviewed in the September Organ Australia) may be obtained by applying to [www.organist.co.nz](http://www.organist.co.nz) and costs \$30.00 Australian including postage. Any other queries could be directed to Joy Hearne.

## The Southern Cross Collection: Organ Music by Australian Composers

available for the special price of \$36.00 (including postage). Visit [www.sov.org.au](http://www.sov.org.au) to download an order form.

## 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](http://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](http://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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 (contact details below). \*\* When an item has been sold, or a position filled, please notify the editor to stop your advertisement. \*\*

### SOV COUNCILLORS FOR THE YEAR 2010-2011

Gordon Atkinson, Daniel Bittner, Jennifer Chou, Simon Colvin, Jim Fletcher,  
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## Society of Organists (Victoria) Directory

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