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NEWSLETTER MAY 2006

**July Newsletter contributions:** please send by June 25<sup>th</sup> to Tim Roe, Trinity Flat, Kensington Gore, SW7 2QU Tel 020 7581 3493 Newsletter@organclub.org

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**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May Derby and Belper**

Our coach meets the 09:25 from St Pancras, due Derby 11:05, and returns to the station in time for the 18:34, due at St Pancras 20:35. On April 24 there were still £9 singles to Derby and £6 singles from Derby available.

**11:30 St John the Evangelist, Bridge Street, Derby**

The church was built in 1826, the Willis organ in 1875. There have been later modifications by Adkins in 1914, and by Johnson (of Derby) in 1975. The manuals have tracker action.

Gt: 8 8 8 4 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 2 II 8 Sw: 8 8 8 8 4 2 II II 8

Ped: 16 16 8 8 8 4 II 16 8 4

**12:30 Derby Cathedral**

Most of the present building dates from the 1720s. In 1927 the church became the cathedral of the newly-created diocese of Derby and plans were made for an eastward extension, this work was eventually done in the 1960s.

1) The 4-manual Compton organ of 1939, with 90 speaking stops, incorporated some earlier pipework, it was overhauled by Rushworth & Dreaper in 1992 and now has 98 speaking stops.

2) Organ by Cousans of Lincoln at the east end (1973)

Gt: 8 8 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 2 Sw: 8 8 4 II 8 Ped: 16 8 8 4

3) Chest organ by Edmund Stow (1994) with 3 stops.

**Own arrangements for lunch. 14:00 Coach leaves for Belper.**

**14:30 St Peter's, Chesterfield Road, Belper**

Belper grew quickly at the start of the Industrial Revolution. The tiny mediaeval church was soon quite unable to cope, and was replaced in the 1820s by this new church of St Peter. The 3-manual organ by Holt of 1853, enlarged by Radcliffe & Sagar (1873), with additions by Wood (1992) has tracker action to the manuals, and is on the west gallery:

Gt: 16 8 8 8 4 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 2 III II-III 8 Sw: 16 8 8 4 2 1 8 8 Ch: 8 8 4 2 8

Ped: 16 16 16 (Reed)

**15:30 The Organ Loft, Belper (Tea will be served here)**

Our second Compton organ of the day, this time a 3-manual 10-rank theatre organ, originally in the Plaza Cinema, Crosby. It was moved here in 1988. When new it had 5 ranks: Tibia, Flute, Cello, Tuba and Muted Trumpet, to which have been added Diapason, Stopped Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Horn, Vox Humana, and a piano.

**17:20 Queen's Hall Methodist Mission, London Road, Derby.**

A serious fire in 1991 gutted much of the interior, hence the need for a new organ and the moving of the redundant Hunter organ of 1875 from Brixton to Derby. The manuals have tracker action.

Gt: 16 8 8 8 4 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 2 II-IV 8 8 Sw: 8 8 8 4 4 2 II 16 8 8

Ped: 32 16 16 16 8 8 8 4 16

The church also has a one manual organ dating from about 1810 restored by Edmund Stow:

Op Diap Treb, Op Diap Bass, St Diap Treb, St Diap Bass, Dulciana, Principal, Cornet, Sesquialtera.

Names to Robin Coxon for coach &/or tea by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, please.

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**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June Oxford**

**11:00 St Giles' Church**, at the crossing of Woodstock Rd and Banbury Rd. The church is open from 10:30 [www.st-giles-church.org.uk](http://www.st-giles-church.org.uk)

**12:00 St John's College**

**13:00 St Mary Magdalene Church**

**14:00 St Michael's City Church**

**15:00 St Peter's College**

**16:00 Town Hall** We have two hours here, and Donald Mackenzie will demonstrate for us.

**Transport** Oxford Tube coaches leave from the gardens by Victoria rail station, facing the Grosvenor hotel, at the Park Lane stop south of Marble Arch, and in Bayswater Road by the entrance to Kensington Palace.

From Oxford rail station, any bus in the direction of Radcliffe Infirmary (14, 14a, 6, 6a) will stop by St Giles en route.

**Parking** Use the Park and Ride north of the city (Water Eaton or Peartree) from where the buses will stop beside St Giles. No all-day on-street parking anywhere in central Oxford.

Frank McFarlane 020 8806 2766

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**Sittingbourne & Faversham, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

**11:00 Holy Trinity, West Street, Sittingbourne** 2-manual Father Willis 1869; Hill, Norman & Beard 1981

Gt: 8 8 8 4 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 2 Sw: 8 8 8 8 4 2 8 Ped: 16 16

### 12:00 St Michaels Parish Church, High Street

Hill 1881; rebuilt Hill, Norman and Beard 1928 and 1976

Gt: 8 8 4 4 2 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>5</sub> II 8 4

Sw: 16 8 8 8 8 4 2 III 8 8

Ch: 8 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> 8

Ped: 16 16 8 16 8 4

Lunch either in Sittingbourne or Faversham. The trains are fairly frequent between Sittingbourne and Faversham. (02, 27, 32, and 57 minutes past each hour). In Sittingbourne I would recommend the Red Lion or the George, both in the High Street. There are a number of pubs serving lunches in Faversham, Shepherd Neame being the local brewers.

### 14:30 Faversham Almshouses Chapel Willis 1870 restored by Martin Renshaw

Gt: 8 8 8 4 2 8 Sw: 8 8 8 4 8 Ped: 16

### 16:00 St Mary of Charity, Faversham Parish Church Tea at £3 per head folowed by demonstration recital by Steven Sivyer, Organist and Director of Music. Gern 1893 rebuilt by F H

Browne and Sons Ltd, 1960. Casework dating originally from 1757: Richard Bridge

Gt: 16 8 8 8 8 4 4 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> 2 III 8 Sw: 8 8 8 8 4 4 2 III 16 8 8

Ch: 8 8 4 4 2 8 8 Ped: 16 16 16 16 8 8 4 16 8

**Trains** leave Faversham at 08, 15, 38 and 45 minutes past each hour. From London the best train would be the 09:33 from Victoria arriving at Sittingbourne at 10:32 then walking the short distance to Holy Trinity Church.

Please could members attending give notification for tea by Tuesday 11th July.

Andrew Cesana 01634 401005

BRANKER, Peter John, aged 76. Died at his home in Cuffley, Herts on April 24th.

Head of Music at Goffs School, Organist and Choirmaster at Christ Church, Southgate.

An inspiration to all he taught, wonderful company and support to all his many friends.

Funeral on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Musical Celebration, 24th June 11:30 at Christ Church, Southgate.

Donations to Marie Curie. Funeral Directors 01992 624220.

### ST ANNE'S CHURCH, LIMEHOUSE, LONDON E14

#### RE-OPENING OF THE GRAY & DAVISON ORGAN (1851)

following restoration by William Drake

Saturday 10 June 2006

See details in previous OCNL

10:30 Symposium starts

Thomas Trotter recital at 14:30

Tickets 020 7987 1502

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## Visits Coordinator

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It was agreed at the May committee meeting that a new office of Visits Coordinator would streamline the planning of visits and ease the process for those who set them up. Anybody interested to take on this role can have more information about it from the General Secretary, Paul Langston

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RECITALS A listing of concerts by, or promoted by, our members

### Marlborough Road Methodist Church, St Albans

#### Recitals arranged by the New School of Organ Studies

Tuesdays 12:30 – 13:15

May 2 Nicholas King, St John's Boxmoor

May 9 Joyce Beaumont, Trinity-at-Bowes Methodist Church N22

May 16 Stephen Bullamore, Waltham Abbey Church

May 23 Bill Fudge, Ampthill

May 30 Martin Stacey, St Dominic's Priory NW5

June 6 Simon-Thomas Jacobs, Organ Scholar-Elect, Clare College, Cambridge

June 13 Roy Meek, St Augustine's, Limbury

June 20 Peter St J Stokes, St Silas's Kentish Town

June 27 James Banville, St Luke's, Leagrave

July 4 Cathy Lamb, Christchurch Priory St Albans Festival 2006

### Victoria Hall Hanley at 12 noon

May 20 Peter Gould

June 24 Philip Scriven

### Alexandra Palace, London at 19:30

May 10 Alex Mason

July 12 Carl Jackson

### St Alphage, Montrose Avenue, Burnt Oak at 19:30

Admission £10 (incl. refreshments)

June 10 Katarina Chrobokova (Cz)

June 16 Anthony Halliday (St Francis, Melbourne)

### Holy Trinity, Prince Consort Road at 13:10

June 14 Cathy Lamb

July 12 Tim Roe