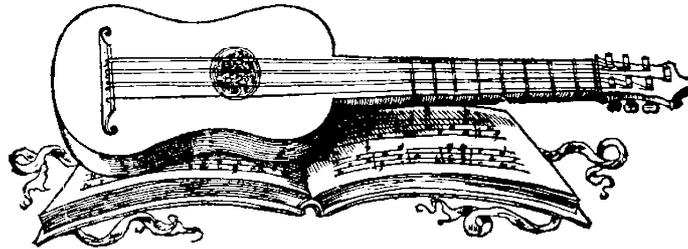


Dorset Guitar Society

Newsletter



April 2010

Federation of Guitar Societies 2010 ...

On Sun 18th July, **Enfield Classical Guitar Society** has again agreed to host the **Federation of Guitar Societies (FGS)** AGM. All societies making up the FGS are invited to a get together. For those that came last year I think the event will be similar and the AGM forms only a small part of the day.

Everybody arrives in the morning and we all play together as a large ensemble playing with a conductor. After a short AGM (over lunch), societies get the chance to perform prepared pieces.

As this Sunday will be after our members' concert, it will probably be a good opportunity to give our practised pieces another airing. The venue will be as last year at the **Highland Hall Winchmore Hill, London N21 1UJ** and the day will run from 10.30 - 4.30.

As a society, we need to make a

decision whether to attend and there are a number of issues to resolve e.g. the date currently clashes with our own Sunday meeting – possible options are to reschedule our meeting or to let the Enfield trip replace our meeting.

Also, there will be a charge - £8pp, plus a decision needs to be made on how we get there – last year we hired a mini-bus and made a contribution from DGS funds to reduce the cost to individuals, and we could do the same again this year. Also what pieces to play etc etc ...

Last year was a great success, so we need to try hard to again support this great event.

I would like to canvas members' opinion on the Away Day at this Sunday's meeting, so please come prepared to discuss.

Terry.

The Strolling Players With Strings Attached

Members of local drama groups plus **Valerie Evans, Bill Rhys, Bob Foss** and **Sue Chick** of DGS gave two performances of poetry, prose and music on 27 March at Allendale House, Wimborne. The guitar interludes were described by a local press reporter as a delight, especially the light-hearted "Teddy Bears Picnic" The group gives its services free, donations going to the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance - over £700 to the Youth Cancer Trust. The group have more bookings from April to December for local associations and retirement homes. To book them speak to **Valerie** or **Michael Evans** on **01202 880966**.

Valerie

March Meeting

With the date of the summer concert now announced (July 3 - see back page for details), there was an extra sense of urgency around the orchestra sessions. Stephen led us through all the primary pieces - his own 'Solstice', 'Variations on Country Dance Tunes' (**Pitfield**) and 'March Militaire' (**Schubert**).

Playing in the members concert this month were:

Maurice, Sue, Bob, Valerie, Chris: Prelude No. 22; I had a dream (Abba).

Sally-Ann and Stuart: Passpied, Minuet, Sarabande and Gavotte (Handel).

Stuart: Piece without title; Packington's Pound (Anon); Guardame las Vacas (Navaez)

Julian: Adelita & Gran Vals in A (Tarrega); Zest for life (Garnier).

Andy: Natalia & Virgilio (Lauro); English Suite (Duarte).

Stephen: Adieu (Schubert, arr Tarrega) [although apparently it wasn't by Schubert - Tarrega was mistaken ... see Stephen for details ...]

We meet at: **Kinson Community Centre, Pelhams Park, Millhams Road, Kinson, BH10 7LH**
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Member of **The Federation of Guitar Societies** (www.federationofguitarsocieties.org.uk)
& CADArts (www.cadarts.com)

Future Meetings and Diary Dates

18 April	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	15 August	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm
16 May	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	19 September	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm
20 June	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	17 October	2.00 pm - 5.30 pm
18 July	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	21 November	2.00 pm - 5.30 pm

Third Thursday of the month

Regular playing opportunity organised by Julian Garner
Woodhouse Gardens Pavilion, Blandford Forum
7.20pm. email: julian@renrag.co.uk
or tel: **01258 830334** for more details

May 1 - Vida Quartet (Mark Eden, Chris Stell, Helen Sanderson and Mark Ashford) The Point Eastleigh. Their programme will include works by de Falla, Turina and Bizet

Tickets are already on sale from the box office (tel. 023 8065 2333) priced £12



24 July - 30 July - Cheltenham Guitar Festival
David Russel, Tom Kerstens, Nigel North, Amanda Cook,
Scott Tennant

www.igf.org.uk

Thursday 13 May. Turner Sims Hall, Southampton. Juan Martin Flamenco Dance Ensemble 8.00pm

Voted into the top flamenco guitarists in the world by US Guitar Player Magazine, Juan Martin returns to perform his own compositions, supported by a line-up of the finest musicians and flamenco dancers. £16 **02380 595151**.

DGS Summer Concert

Our members' summer concert will take place on Saturday **3 July 2010** at Kinson Community Centre starting at 7.30pm. We have booked the room for an afternoon rehearsal beforehand. Further details nearer the time.

Sat 21st to Fri 27th Aug West Dean Guitar Festival featuring concerts by **Ben Verdery** (21st), **Berta Rojas** (22nd), **Roland Dyens** (23rd) and **The Mandolinquents** (25th) plus Open Day (22nd) and masterclasses.

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Editors bit

Thanks to Terry, Margaret, Bill and Valerie for sending in material for the April newsletter - I appreciate it. So, a plea to one and all - **PLEASE** send me items (concert dates, recommendations, reviews, etc) for the May newsletter as soon as possible after the next meeting - Ideally by e-mail to:

Stuart@nundy.fsworld.co.uk

Many thanks, **Stuart**