Dorset Guitar Society

Newsletter



June 2010

May meeting

With the concert ever approaching, and just two full meetings left before the final date, May's meeting was an opportunity to focus intensely upon all the pieces that are proposed as part of the programme, including a new (or, at least, long put aside) piece that Stephen has brought into the programme - Da Pacem Domine (Grant peace ...) by Franck, a canon which sounded melodically simple but, which when combined in four guitars achieved an interesting effect which sounds much more complex than it probably is. It should provide an interesting counterpoint in the programme to Schubert's Marche Militaire, which is sounding very crisp and precise, as it should. Will we start with one and end with the other ...?

If so, between them will come the (winter) seasonal flavouring of Stephen's **Solstice** - pastoral calm followed by some celebratory revelry I think.

And to top it all, the substantial

Variations on Country Dance Tunes
by Pitfield. with Jacqui leading on

flute, and some of us worrying how the h**l we play so many notes so quickly, especially in the first movement (and in D tuning too in some cases - pity the poor Guitar 4s - but welcome to **Chris** - just in time methinks).

However, there was still time for the usual individual and group playing.

Players this month were:

Sue, Bob, Neville, Valerie and Maurice: Mary, Young and Fair (anon);
Berceuse (Gabriel Faure)

James: Lagrima (Tarrega); Senhorinha (Guinga)

Chris and John: 'London' Symphony (1st Movement) (Haydn, arr. Carulli)

Maurice: Malorca (from Suite Espanola) (Albeinz)

Andy and Jacqui: Andante and Schermo from Grand Duo Concertante (Giuliani)

Name change for Blandford guitars ...

Blandford guitar evenings (now known as the North Dorset Guitar Forum, not having really had a name for the first three years!) continue to provide a full programme of classical guitar music every month, the next event being on Thursday 17th June at 7.20pm.

The three meetings since I last remembered to jot anything have included a full recital by Andy Khan of Dowland, Duarte, Tarrega, Moreno-Torroba and Lauro; performances by Chris Daly of music from two Renaissance suites by Gregoire Brayssing and Thomas Robinson; Pete Kirkbride playing the Prelude and Gavotte en Rondeau from Lute Suite no. 4 (JS Bach) on a May evening when James Martin played the Loure from the same suite.

Other interesting and typically diverse contributions included regulars Heather, Barbara, Tania (Purcell and Rutter), Bryan (Jorge Morel's Romance Criollo), Chris Cuthbert (a different Bach Gavotte en Rondeau) and Julian (new compositions Zest for Life and First Day of Summer), as well as new players Chris Chilcott and 12 year-old George Stone.

Don't forget to come and see us at Blandford soon! Future opportunities to do so are on **Thursdays 15th July and 19th August.**

Julian

Next - and Annual General Meeting

A quick reminder to everybody that you need to be practising the concert pieces like mad, preferably with a metronome, and encouraging friends and relatives to come to the concert itself. Printed flyers and posters will be available at the meeting, and by e-mail soon.

Also. we need to hold our AGM at this Sunday's meeting. As ever, we'll keep it brief as we need to rehearse for our summer concert, which is looming up fast! For those that haven't been before, the key items on the agenda include a brief review of the year by the Chairman, a review of our financial status by the Treasurer and election of the new DGS committee for the forthcoming year. If you would like to be a member of the committee, or would like nominate someone else, please let our Secretary James Martin or Terry know.

Stephen and Terry.

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Future Meetings and Diary Dates

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
15 August	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	19 December	2.00 pm - 5.30 pm
19 September	5.30 pm - 9.30 pm	16 january 2011	2.00 pm - 5.30 pm

Third Thursday of the month - 'North Dorset Guitar Forum'

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

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

www.igf.org.uk

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.

West Dean, Nr. Chichester, PO18 0QZ 01243 811301 enquiries@westdean.org.uk



Wimborne Music Society concerts:

i) Saturday 26th June: Wimborne Minster
Wimborne Choral Society Summer Concert Including
Vivaldi "Gloria" and "Magnificat" and music by Holst and
Vierne

ii) Sunday 4th July: St.Stephen's Church, Kingston Lacy7.30: Pauline & Christopher DowieA programme of Music & Poetry for a Summer's Evening

For further details of any **Wimborne Music Society** events or of any of the above Choirs please contact **Christopher Dowie** in one of the following ways:-

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Editors bit

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

Stuart@nundy.fsworld.co.uk

Many thanks, Stuart