



**Dorset Guitar
Society**

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Sad loss of past DGS member

JOYCE ROSINA ALSFORD passed peacefully away on 24th March 2014 aged 93 years. She was a Society member for 16 years and has generously left a £1000 donation to DGS in her will. Joyce was known by many in the society and former member Ann Plumb and current member Maurice Albin have written their memories of Joyce below.

I clearly remember Joyce and Joy arriving together when we were meeting at Kinson in the top rooms. They came without guitars and were extremely grateful to be allowed to sit and listen to a group of us playing. They said how very welcoming and friendly we were and could they join.

Joyce always gave several of us Hyacinths in pots each Christmas from her nursery. I would guess Joyce joined about 1991 – She did all the flowers for the 10th anniversary November 1994 and the 20th anniversary October 2004 (see photo).

Joyce came with a group of us to Gilbert Bibarian's summer school in 1992 and although she was not a youngster then she was always the first up and out for a walk before anyone else. She loved the whole experience and that we always included her in all the activities. She bought us all ice creams when we went out from the Summer school for a day trip.

Joyce was a very kind, generous, gentle lady.

Ann Plumb

I met Joyce, together with Bob Foss, Joy Limmer & Valerie Evans 24 years ago when I took over the Improvers Guitar Group from Richard Hill at Ferndown School. We moved to Poole High and eventually to Pelhams. During this time Joyce was always an integral part of our group.

We travelled together to the evening class and I got to know a very special lady.

Together with other guitar friends we went to weekend guitar courses and had a lot of fun. Spending time with Joyce we came to know a thoughtful, determined and quietly strong lady with a sense of humour gently bubbling away.

She was running her florist and plant nursery, Rosina's, well into her 80's, until she had a fall and went to live at Brook View.

Our friendship continued and we would chat about gardens, flowers, her nursery and what we had all been up to! DGS members played at Brook View and I remember Bob, Sue, myself with Valerie's husband Michael on accordion playing for Joyce and the other residents one Sunday lunch time. Live music was a special pleasure for Joyce and she loved playing her guitar and accordion as part of an ensemble.

What turned out to be my last visit to see Joyce was in mid March. She was as upbeat as usual asking about her friends at the Guitar Society and evening class as well being interested in hearing about recent events and concerts.

A smile and a wave as I left that day is a lovely way to remember Joyce.

Maurice Albin

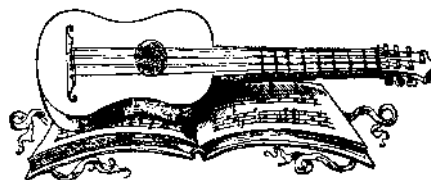


Outing to West Sussex Guitar Club

Hopefully you will have all gathered that the April meeting has been moved to the **27th April** and not the 20th April as previously advertised. Although most members were free on the 20th, it turns out that Kinson Community Centre is closed!

The meeting will take place at the usual time 5.30-9pm but if you are involved in the visit to West Sussex Guitar Club on the 3rd May then we are required to have an hour long pre-meeting rehearsal beginning at 4.30pm on the 27th April. The programme for Bognor is currently as follows but we have enough music that we could omit a piece if we think it's not up to scratch!

- Vivaldi concerto
- Ravel Pavane
- Summer Solstice
- Dance of the Knights



After enjoying playing through Peter's 'Broom Tree' composition, I thought it would be a nice idea for both societies to play through this together to begin the evening on the 3rd May so with Peter's permission I have distributed the parts to WSGC members. Therefore, could you also prepare this piece and have your part with you for the 3rd May.

The plan for the evening is to begin at 7pm playing Peter's piece and then each society play their programme of ensemble pieces to each other. We will then break for some food & drink /socialising before finishing off the evening with solos, duos etc... We thought this order then makes it possible for anyone to leave early if they need to.

Solos, duo, trio contributions

Could you please let me know on 27th April if you would like to contribute an item to the evening. I guess realistically we could have around 30 mins of solos and small group pieces. I will collate your contributions and then forward them to Sasha at WSGC as he is going to put together a programme for the evening.

Lift sharing

As far as I'm aware we are all sorted for getting there and that everyone has a lift. We will need to discuss leaving times/route etc... The Hall is open to us all afternoon if we wish to have a short rehearsal when we arrive.

Advance notice

The DGS AGM will take place at the start of the May meeting this year. It usually takes no more than 30 minutes and the usual rehearsal will continue afterwards.



March Meeting Performances

Many thanks to the following for performing for us at the last meeting, it was great to see and hear so many members performing.

Bob Foss & Sue Chick

Jug-
Rizraksaru-

Geoff Edge
Ralph McTell

Richard Huppertz

Sentimental Journey

Green/Brown

John Edwards & Chris Gillson

Canon (Famous one!)

Pachelbel

Peter Collinson

Sunburst

Andrew York

Andy Khan

Grande Overture

Giuliani

Aiden Irrgang

Greensleeves

Francise Cutting

Apologies if I have misspelt piece names or composers- handwriting was rather difficult to decipher this month!



YVONNE BLOOR Performs music for solo guitar from her new CD 'Promise'



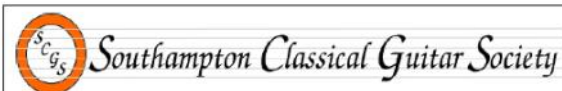
SATURDAY 17th MAY 2014 at 3.00pm
St Mary Magdalene Church
Fifehead Magdalen SP8 5RT

Music by J.S. Bach, Villa Lobos and Albeniz

Tea and cakes at 4.00pm

Retiring collection in aid of the church.

www.yvonnebloor.com



Johannes Möller in Concert

the **point**
EASTLEIGH

Saturday 26th April 2014
8.00pm

Tickets £15 (conc. £12) from the box office (023 8065
2333) or online at www.thepointeastleigh.co.uk.
New members to the Society are always welcome.
www.scgs-guitar.org.uk

Johannes Möller

Sunday 25 May 2014
Dorchester Corn Exchange

8pm (doors and bar 7.30pm) £12 /
£10 members and concessions

In this special programme for the Dorchester Festival the sensational Swedish classical guitarist Johannes Möller takes us on a musical tour to lands both near and far. In part one, *Tales of Europe*, he explores the continent through a programme of his own compositions and classical repertoire, including work by Albeniz, Tarrega and others.

Part two, *Tales of India*, is a manifestation of Johannes's years of following and learning North Indian Classical music during his travels and giving it a language on the classical guitar. Master tabla player Niti Ranjan Biswas provides drama, rhythm and melody in this concoction of Indian Ragas and rhythmic cycles. Each composition has a story to tell.



Fabio Zanon

Saturday, 7th June, 2014

Regis Recital Hall, 46 Sudley Road, Bognor Regis

7.30pm £14 / £10 members, full time students half price,
under 18s free. To reserve
tickets- 01243 696762 or
click [here](#)



One of the world's greatest guitarists, conductor and musicologist, who has performed in every part of the world, taught in major conservatories, and adjudicated at the world's most prestigious Guitar Festivals. At the beginning of this year, Fabio kindly agreed to become one of our Club's Patrons.

We are delighted to welcome Fabio back to our stage and privileged to offer to our audience the opportunity to enjoy his art. What better way to conclude the professional programme of this rich season!



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EVENTS

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Los Angeles Guitar Quartet

SATURDAY 16 AUGUST 8pm
**Los Angeles Guitar Quartet
in concert**
West Dean College,
West Dean
Tickets £15

SUNDAY 17 AUGUST
11.30am - 7pm
Guitar Open Day
St Andrews Church,
West Dean
Tickets £10

MONDAY 18 AUGUST 8pm
Antigoni Goni in concert
St Andrew's Church,
West Dean
Tickets £12

TUESDAY 19 AUGUST 8pm
Craig Ogden in concert
St Andrew's Church,
West Dean
Tickets £12

WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST 8pm
**Primavera Chamber
Ensemble featuring
John Mills with guest artist
Cobie Smit in concert**
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West Dean
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Guitar For Sale

John Edwards has a very good student guitar for sale. It's an Azahar – a genuine Spanish built instrument which is nice to play and has a warm sound. It's a few years old now and he used it back in the days of his peripatetic teaching.

Offers in the region of £250-£350.

Speak to John for more details or to try the guitar.



Future Diary Dates

Sunday 27h April 2014

Monthly meeting 5.30pm -9.00pm

Bognor outing participants to meet at 4.30pm

Saturday 3rd May 2014

**DGS outing to West Sussex Guitar Club-
Bognor Regis 7.00pm start**

Sunday 18th May 2014

**Monthly meeting and AGM
5.30pm -9.00pm**

Sunday 15th June 2014

Monthly meeting 5.30pm -9.00pm

Sunday 20th July 2014

Monthly meeting 5.30pm -9.00pm

Sunday 17th August 2014

Monthly meeting 5.30pm -9.00pm

Sunday 21st September 2014

Monthly meeting 5.30pm -9.00pm

Meeting Times March-September

Hall open from 5.15pm

Ensemble rehearsal begins 5.30pm

Conclusion of Meeting 9.00pm

*All meetings are held at Kinson
Community Centre, Pelhams Park,
Bournemouth, BH10 7LH*



New Member

A warm welcome to new member
Derek Ayling from
Fordingbridge who joined us last month.
We hope you have many enjoyable times with
the society.

If you know you will not be at the next meeting please let Sue know in advance.

Thanks

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Please send any newsworthy items for next month's newsletter to me by email to secretary@dorsetguitarsociety.org.uk

Thank you,

Paul

