



THE SOCIETY OF RECORDER PLAYERS

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Meetings are held at St. George Church Hall, Ongar Road, Brentwood CM15 9HR, usually on the first Saturday of each month (except August) 2.30 pm-5.15 pm.

Dear All,

I hope you are having an enjoyable summer and will return refreshed and inspired to our musical sessions.

I am writing to inform you that the AGM will take place at our next session on Saturday 7 September. This meeting will be of particular importance and I urge you to attend as the election of committee members is essential to ensure the survival of our group.

The committee held a meeting on August 1 to discuss matters and to plan ahead for the next months. As I am sure you are all aware that Judith will be leaving us when she moves to Kent. Therefore, we urgently need a new treasurer as well as more committee members. Over the past years Judith has done sterling work combining her share of conducting with the job of treasurer. As you may be hesitant to step forward as a candidate for the job of treasurer, Judith has provided a clear break-down of the tasks to be carried out, which she has divided into three separate functions (see attachment). We would like you to consider volunteering for any or more of these 3 functions. Please remember that we cannot continue to run our Branch without a treasurer. Volunteers for committee membership without a specific task will also be very welcome.

I also attach a membership form for 2019-2020 (as you can see the membership fee is the same as last year) and would request that you fill in and return the form (via e-mail, post or in person) and transfer the fee to the Branch account. Due to the new GDPR legislation, SRP have decided that you need to **OPT IN** to your personal data being published in the membership list (in the past you had to opt out), hence the need for a new form from all members. Please ensure that you complete this form attached, and not any previous copies you may have saved. There will be spare copies available at the September meeting. If you have already completed a Gift Aid form, a new one is not required at this stage.

Looking forward to seeing you all in September,
Annelies

Dates for your diary:

Further Branch meetings: 7 September (AGM), 5 October, 2 November, 7 December, 4 January 2020, 1 February, 7 March, 4 April, 2 May, 6 June, 4 July.

Other musical events you might like:

Conducting course for Beginners led by Moira Usher. Organised by the Cambridge Branch. Sunday October 20th 2019 10 am to 4.30 pm. Hemingford Abbots Village Hall, High Street, Cambridgeshire PE28 9AJ. (Players also welcome)

Ann and Steve Marshall playing days and courses, see www.mayhill.co.uk

Warwick and Nuneaton Branches: playing day with Ross Winters on Saturday 5 October 2019, at Church Lawford Village Hall, School Street, Church Lawford CV23 9EE: 10 to 4.45pm

Bass recorder: The Branch has a bass which is available for members to borrow, either to play at a meeting or to take home to practices. Please contact Madeline if you would like to borrow it.

VISITORS

Visitors are welcome to make 3 visits per year, after which we hope they will become members of the Branch. Children aged 11-14 may attend 3 meetings as visitors, provided they are accompanied by an adult member of the Branch. A member should bring only one child visitor at a time. Subject to the discretion of a committee member, children may become junior members of the Branch. They must be accompanied by an adult member at all times. They must be able to play treble or tenor as well as descant.

Child Protection Policy

Whilst most members of the SRP are adults, the Society recognises its responsibilities to ensure that when children are included in any of its activities, their safety is explicitly considered. To this end, people organising such activities for or including children must ensure that a child is not left alone with a single adult and that no lessons, where a child is left alone with an adult are organised for children as part of an SRP activity. Occasionally SRP members are asked to recommend recorder teachers for children. If they pass on the names of teachers, they will make it clear to parents that:

- (1) The SRP takes no responsibility for the quality of any such teacher
- (2) The SRP is not able to comment on whether or not the teacher has been DBS checked.

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