**THE SOCIETY OF RECORDER PLAYERS**

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**ESSEX BRANCH**

**NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2015**

****The Newsletter is issued three times a year - in March, August, and November.

Meetings are held at St. George's Church Hall, Ongar Road, Brentwood, CM15 9HR, usually on the first Saturday of each month (except August) 2.30 - 5.30 pm.

**DECEMBER 5th Christmas Playing Day**

Playing sessions from 11 – 1 and 2 – 5. Come for the whole day or as much as you can.

Coffee will be available from 10.30, soup, bread and butter at lunchtime, and mince pies in the afternoon. There will be a charge of just £2.50 for refreshments. **It would help with the catering if you would let us know (****essex@srp.org.uk****) if you intend coming for lunch**.

We will have a sales table for any music or related items you would like to sell, either directly or in aid of branch funds.

Don’t forget the tinsel for your music stand!

**The music will include the following plus a few seasonal extras:**

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| Gounod | Funeral March of a Marionette | SATBGb  | Willobie |  |
| Clark (arr.) | Scottish Folk Songs | SATTB | Clark | CC25  |
| Marshall, Steve | Christmas Twofers | SATTBB | Mayhill | 20503 |
| Lebegue | Les Cloches | SATBGb  | ms |  |
| Victoria | O Magnum Mysterium | SATB | Hawthorns | RA4 |
| Gershwin/Bonsor | Let's Call the Whole Thing Off | SATTB | BonsorPrints | 501 |
| Touchin | Recorder Magazine September | SATB/Gb |  |  |
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**Winter weather**: In the event of severe weather causing the cancellation of any meeting we will do our best to contact you; however if you are in any doubt about travelling please check the branch website <http://www.srp.org.uk/essex-branch-programme/> or phone a committee member to find out whether the meeting is still on.

Note that the details of some of the following meetings may change as we are hoping to arrange a longer playing day, possibly in March, to make up for missing the October meeting.

**JANUARY 2nd 2016**

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| Telemann | Water Music | SATBGb | ms |  |
| Palestrina | Sicut Cervus | SATB | Oriel | OL227 |
| Bertali | Sonatella | SSATB | Schott  | 10106 |
| Carey | Step Stately | SATB | Hawthorns | RA94 |
|  | Recorder Magazine December |  |  |  |

**FEBRUARY 6th**

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| Byrd | 3 Lullabies | SAATB | Oriel | OL226 |
| Bach | Fugue | SATBB | ms |  |
| Frescobaldi | Canzon on Ruggiero | SATB | Universal Ed. | UE 14026 |
| various | Barbershop Quartets | SATB | Provincetown |  |

**MARCH 5TH**

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| Cato, Diomedes | Chromatic Fantasia | ATTB | Oriel | OL219 |
| Caldara | La Speranza | SATB | Willobie |  |
| J.C.Bach | Quartet in C | SATB | ms |  |
| Challinger | Ballad, Blues & Riffs | SAATB | Oriel | OL138 |
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**SUBSCRIPTIONS**

If you haven’t paid your subscription for 2015-16 yet please do so as soon as possible, either at the December meeting or by post to the Treasurer (Judith Underwood, 27 Brentwood Place, Brentwood CM15 9DN). Subscription rates are Adult £38, Associate (member of another branch) £14.50, Student £23, Family £64. Please make cheques payable to ‘The Society of Recorder Players’.

**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 the Chairman, 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.

**C H I L D PR O T E C T I O N P O L I C Y**

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**.**

**DA T A PR O T E C T I O N AC T 1 998**

Because the Society prepares its membership list on a computer but currently uses that list only for communicating with members the Data Protection Act 1998 does not apply to the list. The only personal information held by the Society is that which appears in the membership list. The list is distributed only to members of the Society for personal use and is not used or distributed by the Society or Branches for any commercial or other purpose.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

**2nd & 3rd April - SRP FESTIVAL 2015 – hosted by Lincolnshire branch in Lincoln**

**Essex meetings in 2015:** April 9th (note date), May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd

**Monday 7th December at 6:30pm**

The Church of St Edmund the King Lombard Street, London EC3V 9EA

TRAMONTANE! Virtuoso Sonatas, Toccatas & Diminutions from 17th Century Northern Italy

Naomi Okuda (recorder) , Pawel Siwczak (organ & harpsichord)

**Benslow Music Trust, Hitchin**

Monday 4th – Thursday 7th January: **Late Starter Recorders**. Tutor Evelyn Nallen. *Please recommend this course to anyone you know who, with a little more experience, would like to join the SRP. Not for complete beginners.*

Monday 14th to Thursday 17th March: **Springtime Recorders**. Tutors Sandra Foxall and Alyson Lewin. Intermediate.

BMT has a wide range of weekend and midweek courses for instrumentalists, singers and ensembles. Phone 01462 459446 [www.benslow.org](http://www.benslow.org) info@benslow.org

**BRANCH MUSIC LIBRARY**

We have an extensive music library which is currently taking up space in Christine’s house – can anyone suggest a suitable alternative location? It needs to be in or near Brentwood so that it is accessible when we need it for meetings, and must obviously be clean, dry and secure.

**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 practise. Please contact Madeline if you would like to borrow it.

**OFFICERS & COMMITTEE 2015/16**

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