

# FRMS NEWSLETTER



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## Happy Anniversary 2007!

**1938** 70<sup>th</sup> Bristol, Southport

**1948** 60<sup>th</sup> Consett (July), Ripley, Rotherham, Stratford, Leicester

**1958** 50<sup>th</sup> Bradford (Jan), transport for London, Bury, Haslemere, Kettering, Morecambe, Oswestry (Oct),

**1968** 40<sup>th</sup> Kidderminster (Feb), Esher

**1978** 30<sup>th</sup> Devizes, Wimborne (Sep)

**1983** 25<sup>th</sup> Ilminster

**1988** 20<sup>th</sup> Garstang, West Wimbledon (Sep)

**1998** 10<sup>th</sup> Haywards Heath

*Are any of the above societies known to you?*

*If so why not send your good wishes via a request to Classic FM. If there is an opportunity please publicise the work of the Recorded Music Societies.*

*All publicity is good publicity.*

## **BULLETIN DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS**

Does your Society order additional copies of the *Bulletin*? If so, does the parcel arrive in good condition?

From time to time Societies have reported damage to their parcels, although usually the damage is confined to the packaging and the copies have been intact. Most recently there were several instances of this with the Autumn 2007 issue, and in one or two cases the packaging was so badly damaged that the Royal Mail had enclosed the parcel in a plastic bag. The problem was largely confined to the larger consignments.

As the parcels are despatched directly from the printers I have taken up the matter with them. They have agreed that the envelopes used were too flimsy and that they will use better quality packaging for future issues, so hopefully the problem has been solved.

those secretaries who alerted me to the problem, and to those others whom I contacted to see if they had experienced it. Needless to say, if there are any further problems please bring them to my attention so that they can be sorted out. My address and phone number are in the *Bulletin*, but if you have e-mail that is the easiest way to contact me - archil12@aol.com

Allan Child  
Bulletin Distribution Manager

## **FRMS YORKSHIRE REGIONAL GROUP SPRING (LONG) WEEKEND 2008 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

**Dr Jill White** - BBC for 23 years, Radio 3 senior producer and former Director of the NYO: The Power of Music

**Barry Collett** – Founder of Rutland Sinfonia  
Talking about Rachmaninov's remarkable career

**Peter Bacon** – former Chairman of YRG  
Explores composers – Fred, Peter and Jack

**Lord Aberdare** – has a passion for Berlioz - hence Berlioz from B to Z

**Dr David Patmore** – Record reviewer and researcher  
The Mad Genius School of Conductors

**Antony Smith** – Business Director of Wyastone Estate  
Looks at the revival of Nimbus

**Maggie Cotton** – Percussionist with the CBSO  
Life in a male-dominated world of music

**Dr Gary Midgley** – Claude Debussy: musicien français  
His life and work in sound and pictures

**Check late availability of rooms with the hotel**

**THE CROWN SPA HOTEL**

**The Esplanade, Scarborough YO11 2AG**

**Tel: 01723 357400**

**Costs: Friday Dinner to Monday Lunch £195.00**

For further information, day bookings and to pay conference fees (£20.00 pp) please contact:

**Dennis Clark, Flat 6, The Belfry, Windmill Lane,  
Yeadon, Leeds LS19 7GB Tel: 0113 250 8136 YORKSHIRE**

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### FRMS Musical Weekend Daventry 2008

100 bookings received to date. Hurry or you may miss out

The Dates: - Friday April 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Your contributors for the weekend will include: -

**John Lill**, arguably Britain's most well known pianist.

**Lady Valerie Solti** who first met Georg Solti in 1964 when she went to interview him for a BBC arts programme.

**Julian Lloyd Webber** who is widely regarded as one of the most creative musicians of his generation.

**Christopher Fifield** a conductor with a freelance career and a music journalists with books on Max Bruch, Hans Richter and Kathleen Ferrier.

**Edward Greenfield** our esteemed President and joint author of 'The Penguin Guide to Classical CDs and DVDs.'

**Lyndon Jenkins** a writer, broadcaster and lecturer on music.

**Brian Godfrey** who is representing our affiliated societies. Brian is Secretary of Radlett Record Society

**Di Xiao**. To celebrate our fifth year at Daventry we present this young and gifted artist who will perform on a Steinway 'baby grand'. Didi to her friends Di Xiao emerged as the top student at the Central Conservatory in Beijing and stayed on for her Master's degree in Piano Performance.

Delegate costs for the Weekend are only slightly higher than previous years at £164 per person in shared accommodation and £184 per person for single accommodation. Other rates for day visitors or additional information contact

FRMS Secretary Tony Baines 01782 251460

### FRMS Website

The new website is up and running and its range of information is being continually expanded. It is now much easier to navigate the website to find what is available. More links have been added to enable affiliates and their members to access musical information easily.

One particular useful link is to *The Teaching Company* an American university organisation offering almost 30 courses on serious music. Every month a significant number of these courses are offered at greatly reduced prices and that is the time to buy and snap up a real bargain.

An opportunity has also been taken to use the website as a source of information on FRMS policies such as the Strategy, Copyright Advice and Regeneration. In future any new policy information will be made available here.

It is not easy to remember who all the FRMS Committee members are so profiles of the current members and their particular roles on the Committee are being prepared for use on the website. These can be accessed on the Committee Members page.

Sooner or later everyone wants to comment on something they have heard or read and the website allows for this. Emails can be sent to the WebMaster for publication on the site. Please take advantage of this opportunity to express your opinions and to stimulate an exchange between affiliates and members.

Information on the Daventry weekend programme is fully available but bookings for Daventry cannot, unfortunately, be made through the website. It is, however, possible to download the application forms for both day and residential visitors. There will also be a regular updates on the website as to how many people have booked for Daventry with encouragements for people to '*book now before it is too late!*'

Finally all the regular things like affiliates' programmes and contact details and the Presenters' Panel are available on the website and will be continually updated.

*If you respond to any advertisement in the Bulletin would you please mention where you saw the advert.*

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