

Five at the Organ - Roger Smith Memorial Recital - Saturday 26th February 11am, St. Mary's, Wellingborough. This annual recital in memory of our much-respected and much-missed former President and Secretary, Roger Smith, will this year at the request of Roger's widow, Diana, be performed by members of NDOA - Colin Ashworth, Jonathan Kingston, Tony Edwards, Stephen Taylor and Lee Dunleavy. Do come. Admission free.

Mostyn and Barbara Burman Music Libraries. Mostyn Burman was a celebrated local organist and pianist, music teacher at Weavers School Wellingborough, organist at Park Avenue Methodist Church, and pianist at Althorp House, while his sister Barbara was organist at Mears Ashby Parish Church for some 62 years, and President of NDOA in 1965-66. Mostyn died in 2004 and his widow Sue Burman who is now DoM at Park Avenue Methodist has very generously donated parts of Mostyn's Music library, and Barbara's Music Library, to the Association.

Members will recall that Helen has circulated details of the music, all of which is available for purchase by members in return for a modest donation ranging from 25p to £1 per item. The organ music will be available for inspection and purchase both before and after the **Five at the Organ** recital at St Mary's, Wellingborough, on Saturday 26th February, and otherwise by arrangement with Alan Cufaude at his home in Northampton. You can contact Alan at alannorthampton@hotmail.co.uk for this purpose.

Alan has kindly said that he will post items on request, on receipt of the donation plus postage and packing. These libraries will only be made available for the next couple of months after which any items remaining will be otherwise disposed of, so please do not delay if you wish to take advantage of this opportunity to acquire some interesting organ music at a fraction of the new cost.

Visit to Viscount - Saturday 5th March. David Mason, Owner of [Viscount Classical Organs](http://www.viscountclassicalorgans.com) is kindly hosting us at the Bicester showroom headquarters on Saturday 5th March. The gathering will allow members to try the instruments in the showroom for themselves before an invitation to transfer to David's home in Helmdon, where two large [Regent Classic](http://www.regentclassic.com) custom-built digital organs can be seen and played as well as a two-manual Hill pipe organ. A rough shape of the day sees members meeting at 23 Telford Road, Bicester, OX26 4LD at 10am before heading to David's home around 11.30. David will be opening up the premises specially for our visit, so a fulsome turn-out would be greatly appreciated. Please come!

Young Organists' Day - St Mary & St Giles, Stony Stratford - Saturday 14th May, 10-1. Our President, Jonathan Kingston, invites young organists at any stage in their playing career to experience the fabulous three-manual Father Willis organ. Jonathan will provide performance advice and friendly guidance. The day is free of charge to participants but notice to perform is needed. For more details contact Jonathan Kingston president@northamptonorganists.org.uk.



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Organists **Colin Ashworth, Lee Dunleavy, Tony Edwards, Jonathan Kingston, and Stephen Taylor**, perform a varied programme of music old and new in an hour-long recital in memory of **Roger Smith**. Proceeds from the concert will support the St Mary's Music Appeal and the **Motor Neurone Disease Association**. Refreshments and cake stall afterwards.



SATURDAY 26 FEBRUARY at 11:00AM
St Mary's Church Wellingborough NN8 1PX

Admission **FREE** with retiring collection

St Mary's, on the corner of Elsdon Road & Knox Road, has plentiful parking, disabled access, and a video screen is in use, enabling you to see as well as hear the organist in action.

The Portable Pipe and Fairground Organs of John and Anna Page - Saturday 2nd April, 2pm online. Do put our April event in your diary now - on Saturday 2nd April at 2pm we will enjoy an online presentation by John and Anna Page on their fascinating portable pipe and fairground organs - you can whet your appetite at [John Page Organs](#). Joining details will be circulated to members nearer the time. If you're not a member but would like to join us, do please get in touch using the contact details below.



Messiah at Peterborough. Would you like to hear - or better still come and sing - Handel's *Messiah* in Peterborough Cathedral on Saturday 19th March? Peterborough Cathedral Choir, Youth Choir and Festival Chorus, with Peterborough Choral Society, present Handel's *Messiah*. There is also the opportunity to 'come and sing' at the final rehearsal and at the concert. The choirs will be accompanied by the period instruments of [Eboracum Baroque](#) in the magnificent Cathedral setting. A limited number of spaces are being offered for members of the public to 'Come and Sing' in the concert, joining the musicians for their final rehearsal on the day, and singing with them in the concert that evening. If you are interested in doing this, please email music@peterborough-cathedral.org.uk to ask for details. Places are £20 per person. Tickets for the performance (only) are £15, £20, £25, with U18s half price, plus booking fee from [Handel 'Messiah' - Peterborough Cathedral \(peterborough-cathedral.org.uk\)](#).

Membership Renewals. Just a reminder that 2022 membership renewals are now due. Subscriptions are unchanged at just £10 for individual members, £15 for corporate and family members, and completely free for student members. There is an additional charge of £6 for printed copies of the quarterly *Newsletter*. Payments can be made to our Treasurer, Glyn Hughes by all the usual methods.

Join up a friend! Do you know anyone who plays, is interested in the organ or organ music, or might simply enjoy our events and reading about local organs in our *Newsletter*? Do invite them to join - membership is superb value, and you can simply direct them to our website at [Join The Association | Northampton & District Organists' Association \(northamptonorganists.org.uk\)](#). Can you also please place copies of our flyer in your church, or give them to your musical friends? Helen will gladly supply copies of on request - secretary@northamptonorganists.org.uk.

Looking for new organ music for Lent and Easter? Do consider the fabulous music available at very low cost from Mostyn and Barbara Burman's music Libraries - see overleaf, and come and view at St Mary's Wellingborough around the **Five at the Organ** concert on Saturday. You could also consider some of the online sheet music available for purchase from Musicnotes.com at [Lent Organ Sheet Music Downloads at Musicnotes.com](#), or you might perhaps like the RSCM on-demand webinar [Singing the Lord's song in a strange land — Part I - Webinar \(rscmshop.com\)](#) priced at £5. If you're looking for a single-volume resource, the *Oxford Lent and Easter Organ Music* collection is worth a look at [Lent and Easter Organ Music - Banks Music Publications](#),

NDOA Newsletter. Don't miss our next quarterly *Newsletter*, published at the beginning of April, which will include articles on Mostyn Burman's fascinating career, on our founder C J King, and much more.



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 - our forthcoming CD of local organs, and Organ Book of new organ music
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