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Newsletter

February Concert

It was a real pleasure having organist Robert Davies playing for the first time at Glenrothes as he gave us an excellent concert full of music to suit everyone. He brought along his Bohm 280CT organ, which he built himself, so it really was a “one off”, as there isn’t another one like it. Once he started playing, we discovered what a lovely rich tone and deep solid base his instrument had which was a pleasure to listen to. His programme included a selection from musicals, “I’m in Love with a Wonderful Guy”, “Maria”, “Tonight, Tonight”, “I want to be in America”, “There’s a Place for Us”, and “Somewhere”. An Abba selection included, “Money, Money”, and “Thank You for the Music”. Other tunes were “Non Stop”, “Calom Blank”, “The Second Waltz”, “You Don’t have to say you Love Me” by Dusty Springfield and also “Down Town” by Petula Clark. The church choir was very effective in “Pie Jesu”, also, “Barcelona” by “Queen”, was handled very well. The Glenn Miller music, “In the Mood” and “Moonlight Serenade” was good as were “Memories” from the musical “Cat’s” and “Phantom of the Opera”. Robert concluded his programme with a piece called “Cumana” which brought to a close a very good evening of music. A return visit sometime in future we are sure would be very welcome, so that we can enjoy Robert’s friendly manner and his superb and very precise arrangements that he plays in his music.

Transport

As we all get older, getting to concerts can become difficult especially if we don’t like driving at night when it’s dark or maybe eyesight is not so good, or the bus times are not suitable etc. If any member knows of anyone in this situation nearby where you stay, it would be good to offer someone in that situation a lift.

Concert Intervals

During the interval, some members like to go up on to the stage to see the artiste’s musical instrument. Ideally, we should not really do that, but if you do please be careful as there are two steps up, and down again and there are usually many wires across the stage. Please also do not touch the instrument controls.

Claudia Hirschfeld Concert

Claudia Hirschfeld, from Holland, will be playing for us in May this year which is an extra concert to conclude our 50th Anniversary celebrations. The committee have decided that as Claudia commands a higher fee to perform, entry to this concert will be £5 for everyone, members and visitors.

March Concert

Our next concert will be held on Wednesday 15th March 2017 at 7pm, and it will be a welcome return of David Thomas to entertain our members again. You may remember the last time he visited us in 2015, how expert he was with graphic displays along with his music, and also singing a duet with Bing Crosby on the screen. Over the years, David has done just about everything in the music business since taking his theory and practical music examinations. Although he started playing trombone in the School Orchestra, a Dance Band and a local Youth Orchestra, he soon moved on to the keyboard. Since then he has appeared along with many top organists at prestige venues, played on Radio and featured on keyboard magazines. He was very busy in the late 80’s travelling around the country playing at venues while also managing the keyboard dept. of a London music store and being resident organist for Tea Dances at Barking’s Broadway Theatre. David eventually left the retail business to become a full time professional musician so that he could travel further afield to play his easy listening/middle of the road music at venues all over the country. We look forward very much to his visit again, to see what he has in store for us this time.

Other Local Events in Fife

Adam Smith Theatre: 17th March Strictly Smith-The Adam Smith Lecture, 18th March Sally Magnusson in Conversation, 23-25th March The Divine Comedy Show, 31st March The Pasadena Roof Orchestra,

Roths Halls: 25th March Foster and Allen, 4th April Some Guys Have All the Luck-The Rod Stewart Story, 5th April An Audience with Ian Waite and Natalie Lowe, 6th April Russell Kane.

Carnegie Hall: 28th March-1st April Rosyth and District Musical Society-Sweet Charity

Alhambra Theatre: 24th March Al Murray, 25th April The Dolls Abroad, 31st April Showaddywaddy, 7th April Sam Bailey, 14th April The Wizard of Oz – Easter Panto, 26th April Justin’s Party.