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NEWSLETTER, JANUARY 2011

## A Happy New Year to All Our Members

**NEXT EVENT: SATURDAY, 15 JANUARY 2011,**

### **WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG ORGANISTS**

Andrew Reid will be leading this workshop from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St John's Church, Cathedral Square, Peterborough. If you know of any young people who would like to take part, please ask them to contact me (01733 262651 or [jgpedley@googlemail.com](mailto:jgpedley@googlemail.com)). They will have a chance to play the Cathedral organ as well as the Harrison and Harrison at St John's. Please come along and give them your support.

#### **Recent Event**

On the afternoon of Saturday, 27 November, five members – Stephen Barber, Peter Davies, Peter Page, Jenny Pedley and Norris Twaite - gave a Composite Recital on the organ at St John's Church, Cathedral Square, Peterborough. Pieces played ranged from the Baroque to contemporary, some known and some unfamiliar, providing us with some interesting new ideas. The audience consisted of other members and some of their families (some *very, very* young, which gives us hope for the future of organ-playing!), not to mention the team selling Christmas cards to the public. Tea was a very friendly occasion.

#### **Future Events in 2011**

**Saturday, 12 March** The Essex Organists' Association 2011 Organ Competition for young organists, to be held on the organ of New Hall School Chapel at 2 p.m. Details as in the November newsletter.

**Tuesday, 29 March.** 'J J Binns 1894 - Overhauling a Small Organ', talk by Ainslie Grubb, 7.30 p.m. at All Saints, Paston, about the restoration work on the organ there.

**Saturday, 7 May** **CANCELLED.** Unfortunately we found that Peterborough Music Making were organizing an event involving many local choirs on this day, so our event would have been poorly attended. We are therefore trying to arrange an alternative event. The trip to Warmington may take place later in the year.

**Mid to late September** Another organ crawl to be arranged.

**Saturday, 1 October** 4.30 p.m. AGM at St John's Church, Cathedral Square, Peterborough.

**Tuesday, 8 November** 7.30 p.m. at St John's Church, Cathedral Square, Peterborough, Talk by Canon Paul Rose.

## **Website**

Details about all events are regularly updated on our website. Mostyn has also added some interesting pages about creating a virtual organ, which are of great interest even to those who do not feel they have sufficient talent to make one. New links are appearing all the time, and Mostyn has recently added one to the Robin Milford Trust's website. Cathedral Music will be republishing Robin Milford's organ music this year, which is something to look forward to.

## **Membership Subscriptions**

The Committee decided at its last meeting that, in line with other associations, we should charge a small annual subscription of £3 for spouses and partners of members. We also decided that, following the Constitution, we should automatically assume that members who have not paid by the January following the AGM do not wish to continue their membership. Subscription details have now been posted on the website.