

September Newsletter

Dear NDOA member,

Welcome back after our summer break.

Unfortunately, Stephen Holmes is unable to play for us in September. We are extremely grateful to Gill Blythman for stepping in and enabling the recital to take place.

As well as local recitals, this newsletter includes details of a Heritage Day event at Reading Town Hall together with a Church OrganWorld Roadshow in Swindon and Westminster Cathedral's Grand Organ Festival.

Recitals in September

Thursday 12 September, 1.10pm - St. Nicolas' Church, Newbury.

Lunchtime recital by Gillian Blythman (Thatcham).

Admission free. Retiring collection.

Monday 16 September, 1pm - Reading Town Hall.

Lunchtime Organ Recital by Simon Dinsdale (Berkshire). Tickets £5 in advance, or £6 on the door. For full programme and to book, please visit the [Concert Hall website](#).

Sunday 22 September, 3pm - St John the Evangelist, Newbury.

Recital by Matthew Prior & Steve Bowey, featuring Mozart Horn Concerto No.3 together with recorder & piano works by Handel, Telemann & Haydn.

Admission free. Retiring collection for Christian Aid. Refreshments will be served.

Thursday 26 September, 7.00 - 8.00pm - Windsor parish Church of St John the Baptist.

Organ recital by Richard Pinel, including Stanford's Sonata Eroica. Tickets £10.50 (students £8.50).

For more details and to book, visit the [Windsor Festival website](#).

Heritage Day Event – Reading Town Hall

Saturday 7 September, 11am - 12.30pm - Reading Town Hall.

Organ Curator Dr William McVicker explores the history and sounds of the internationally-renowned 'Father' Willis Organ. Find out how it works and listen to some stirring music. Afterwards there will be a chance to try the instrument. Admission free. No need to book - just turn up.

Grand Organ Festival - Westminster Cathedral

Recitals take place each Wednesday in September, beginning at 7.30pm. Each performance lasts 75 minutes without an interval.

Tickets are available on the door.

More information can be found in the e-mail from the Organ Festival which I have forwarded. NDOA members can purchase their tickets for £10 on presentation of the e-mail.

Church OrganWorld Roadshow

Friday 25th (5.00 - 7.00pm) & Saturday 26th (10.00am - 3.00pm) October - Highworth St Michael, Swindon (SN6 7AD)

An opportunity to play several quality digital organs. Sheet organ music and Organmaster shoes will also be available to purchase.

Admission free. Come and go as you wish.

Best wishes,
Christopher