



Recorder Newsletter August 2011

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Dear Members

This has been a busy time with the Playing Day on July 30. We played beautiful music from the SRPNZ Library including pieces from Telemann, Grieg, des Pres, Holborne and Handel. All participants found it an enjoyable and worthwhile day.

Don't forget to use the SRPNZ Library - it is a great resource open to all SRPNZ members. Further details about the Library are available on the web site <http://srpnz.wordpress.com>

Please remember to make a note in your diary of the AGM to be held on Saturday November 12 (further details in newsletter).

Andrew and Dawn.

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Subscriptions for 2011

Adult members	\$20
Senior citizens (over 65)	\$15
Students (school children or full time tertiary students)	\$10

Family (3 or more at the same address) has a 20% reduction on membership fees

***** If you have not paid your 2011 subscription please do so now - a membership form is available on the SRPNZ Web Site***

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Playing Day

On Saturday 30th July a successful playing day was held at St John the Baptist Church, Anglican Church, Northcote. This proved to be an excellent venue, with the main hall having a good acoustic to enhance the music, and smaller rooms available when we divided into groups. A great bonus was that chief organizer, Dawn Manley, through her close connection with the church, had persuaded several kind church members to spend their day looking after our culinary needs.



Eighteen people enrolled for the day, including long distance travellers from Hamilton. We began with a massed playing session led by Music Director Jessica Shaw, then divided into a more experienced and a less experienced group, with Thomas Warren coming in as a second tutor. After lunch the groups swapped tutors and later came together again to perform some of the pieces they had practised and to do some more massed playing.





We are especially grateful to Dawn and Secretary Andrew Stewart for all the organization which they put into the day, and to Jessica for her interesting choice of music for us to tackle.

John Hume



Forming Consorts

I have noticed that one of the aims of the Recorder Society in its Constitution is to encourage the formation of consorts, and I have been wondering what the Society might do to further this aim. I know that some Society members already get together in their own consorts, but there are probably others like myself who would like to meet with three or four other players of a similar standard, either regularly or occasionally, to tackle the wealth of wonderful music which is available.

I am suggesting that anyone who might like to do this should email me, with name and location and perhaps an indication of your standard between "1" (professional) and "10" (beginner). I could then try to put people in touch with each other or perhaps arrange a meeting to discuss possibilities. It might also be interesting if people tell me what consorts already exist, how often you meet and what sort of musical activities you undertake. Of course, there is no reason why someone can't belong to more than one consort.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

John Hume (humeja@xtra.co.nz)

Frank Carpay Scholarship

A sum of \$200.00 for players and students of early music. The application form can be obtained from SRPNZ Secretary Andrew Stewart. Email: rajstewart@xtra.co.nz

Upcoming Events

SRPNZ Annual General Meeting, St John the Baptist Anglican Church Hall, 47 Church Street, Northcote, Auckland to be held on Saturday 12 November 2011. Massed playing from 2pm-4pm. Afternoon tea 4pm-4.30pm. **AGM 4.30pm-5.00pm.**

Recent Events

AKB da camera performed a very successful concert on Sunday August 7 2011 featuring Jessica Shaw on the recorder at St Luke's Church, Remuera Road, Auckland.

Perecomus quartet played also had a very successful concert on Saturday August 13 2011 at the Baptist Church, Ponsonby Road, Auckland. Please see below for a photo of Perecomus performing to the participants of the Playing Day on July 30.

