



# Guildford Accordion Club

## Newsletter - January 20th 2017

### Happy New Year.

It's lovely to see you all on our first meeting of 2017. We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas and New Year festivities.

### The West Sussex Accordion Club.

It was sad to hear about the closure of the club. Many of our members attended the club for the last seven years.

Ron and Sue Bennett would like to thank everyone for their support.

### Victor Hathway

We were sorry to hear that one of our members passed away just after the New Year. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the accordion. He was a good player until he was unable to pick up his instrument through ill health. We would like to send our condolences to his family.

### An Evening with Santiago Quartet

*Oakleaf* have proudly partnered with *Santiago Quartet* and will host a concert on Saturday, 25th February 2017, from 7:00pm at St Catherine's School Auditorium, Bramley, Surrey. The concert will feature bandoneonist Julian Rowlands (a regular in the house band on *Strictly Come Dancing*), in the lead-up to recording the second part of the Quartet's album, *Language of the Heart*.

The Quartet performs contemporary Latin American Music and have built a repertoire of tangos, milongas and other pieces, many arranged for string quartet and bandoneon, which is unique to them and also work closely with composer Will Todd.

Tickets are only £10 each There will also be a cash bar and raffle draw on the night. Tickets from Guildford Tourist Information Centre or contact Deepti on 01483 303649 or email [deeptiparmar@oakleaf-enterprise.org](mailto:deeptiparmar@oakleaf-enterprise.org)

### Terry Rayfield

Terry has been in hospital and I am sure everyone would like to wish him a speedy recovery.

We hope to see him back soon although he will be unable to play for a while. All the best Terry.

### Cambridge Accordion Orchestra Day

Cambridge Accordion Club are arranging the 2017 *Accordion Orchestra Day* on March 5th. Once again it will be led by Nigel Pasby and I'm sure it will be another enjoyable and fun-filled day. As previously, the music will be arranged for players of all abilities and is open to any accordionists who would like to experience a brief taste of what it's like to play in an accordion orchestra. We would be pleased to see any of your members who feel able to join us.

The cost of the day will be £15 to include tea and coffee in the breaks.

The afternoon concert is free for family and friends to attend. To reserve a place please email [susanna2017@cambridgeaccordionclub.co.uk](mailto:susanna2017@cambridgeaccordionclub.co.uk) or telephone Susanna 01487 711337

### Thames Area Accordion Festival

#### Special Notice

Unfortunately this festival has been postponed as James Mullally is unable to oversee the event due to health reasons. We will inform you as soon as we know any more if it is rescheduled.

### Gary Blair

A date for your diary. *Gary Blair* will be here for

***St Patricks Night March 17th 2017***

I am sure we can get him to play some Irish tunes. It will be a great evening. Bring your friends along.

***Our next club night will be***

***17th February 2017***

***See you all again soon***