



# Guildford Accordion Club

## Newsletter May 19th 2017

Tonight we hope you find something interesting in the table top sale. We hope you enjoy your evening.

### *Crawley Accordion Orchestra*

#### *Masahiro Ogawa 16th June 2017*

We have a unique opportunity to hear a gifted and talented musician **Masahiro Ogawa** on June 16th. He has been living and working in London for the past three years and is soon going to return to Japan. He started playing the accordion at 5 years old taught by his mother who is a piano and accordion teacher. Since 12 years he has been self-taught and had no further other formal type of training. He soon developed his own style of playing, particularly enjoying playing film scores. He has been a representative for Japan Accordion Promotion Conference (JAPC) whose aim it is to promote the music of the accordion and increasing the number of accordion players. Occasionally he organised a small group of ensembles such as duo with accordion, flute or violin for the performance at an annual concert of JAPC etc. He won the number one prize at the V-accordion contest organized by Roland in Japan in 2010 and he also played at the international V-Accordion contest in Rome in October 2010.

He was a contracted promoter of the electronic Roland accordion "Degisizer" from 1984 to 1986.

His major repertoires by V-Accordion are; Thriller, Mission Impossible, Thunderbirds, Disney Medley, Classic Medley, Jon Williams Medley, 007 Theme Medley, Spain (C. Corea), Chameleon (H. Hancock), etc.

His favourite composers are Chick Corea, Richard Galliano, Herbie Hancock, etc. His performance will be very different to other accordionists repertoire.

There are clips of him on You Tube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tcqgpsIwt2A>

V-Accordion & Violin Duet

1. Almando's Rumba (C. Corea)
2. Passion Continental (Taro Hakase)

The C.A.O. moved base in January 2017 and is now settled in their new home at Age Concern Centre, Weldon Way, Merstham Nr. Redhill, RH1 3QB, where it meets for practice at 7.45pm until 10.00pm every Thursday.

Since the move, three new members have joined the group which now has nine regular players. The group has been busy learning a new concert repertoire for this year which covers a variety of music genres from Mozart and Sousa to Abba and Elton John – aimed to have wide audience appeal, and players alike.

The Orchestra is very fortunate to have gained considerable ongoing support from Nigel Pasby and Helen Newton. They are well known in accordion circles as highly accomplished musicians. Nigel is also Musical Director and energetic Conductor of the Kennet Accordion Orchestra. Nigel and Helen attend practice evenings regularly to provide encouragement and guidance in order to improve the group standard of playing and performance, and all with a great sense of humour.

If you would like to listen to the Crawley Accordion Orchestra, the next two concert venues are :

*Sun. 4th June 2.30- 4.30pm Horsham Park Podium, Parkside, Parkway, Horsham, RH12 1RL*

*Sat. 1st July 2.00- 4.00pm Woking Park Bandstand, Kingfield Road, Woking, GU22 9BA*

C.A.O. is looking for more players. If you are interested in joining the orchestra then why not come along to one of our practice evenings and check us out. For more information contact Bob Scott Tel. 01483 233028 email : [jandbscott6@gmail.com](mailto:jandbscott6@gmail.com) or Ruth Matthews Tel. 01737 646272 email : [ruth.matthews55@btinternet.com](mailto:ruth.matthews55@btinternet.com)

### **Next Club Night** **16th June 2017**

**Doors open 7.30**

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