

From the Organ Console

Lanarkshire Society of Organists

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Our first newsletter!

The LSO committee have been very busy over the past few weeks, meeting twice, to start the preparation for our 2017-2018 syllabus of events.

This year we continue with the joint LSO and Stirling meeting but are adding a joint



LSO and Glasgow meeting into the mix, which promises to be an exciting event – more details follow.....

Included here are details of our summer trip, plans for the session and other snippets of news.

Deputy scheme

It has been some time since we started our deputy scheme working from both our [website](#) and our [Facebook page](#).

This proves quite a valuable resource to ministers and organists alike and whilst we don't act as 'go between' we seem to assist in

getting cover in most cases. Please check out the ['deputy' page](#) on the website, if your included please check your details are still correct.

If you can, please do share the info with musicians and clergy alike.



ORGANIST JOKE..... What do you call a short headmaster? **A 4-foot principal!**



Office Bearers for 2017-2018

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At the AGM held in Bellshill Central Parish Church in April 2017 the following office bearers were elected:

President Tom White
Organist Cathcart Old

Vice-Pres. Derek Burns
Organist St Francis Xavier

Treasurer Alan Mathew
Organist Bellshill Central

Secretary Anne Maguire

Press Secretary Mary Smith

Committee members
Ronan McQuade
Andrew Gilgunn

J Stewart Alston *Hon. Member*

Honorary Members
John P. Kitchen MA, BMus,
FRCO, PhD, MBE

J. Stewart Alston

Future events

Looking ahead to the new session some ideas in progress are:

Organ recital with Steven McIntyre, former organ scholar Dunblane Cathedral and current assistant organist at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral Glasgow.



Organ Crawl to Coatbridge Churches including Saint Augustine and Saint Patrick

Talk and presentation by John Riley on his recent trip to Denmark and the pipe organs that he encountered with live organ music from John himself. (*A night at the pictures?*)

A reinstatement of our **Songs of Praise** for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (held in Dalziel St Andrew's Church Motherwell)

More details will be available in the syllabus due out in August.

Summer Trip

Eight LSO members and friends enjoyed a wonderful day out 'doon the water' to Kilmun and St. Munn's Church. We were inspired to visit the water powered pipe organ in the church and provide music at an afternoon recital. Here is a picture of the players and some lovely shots in and around the church. (More of which are on our Facebook page)

Our trips and outings are always fun, why not come along next time?

