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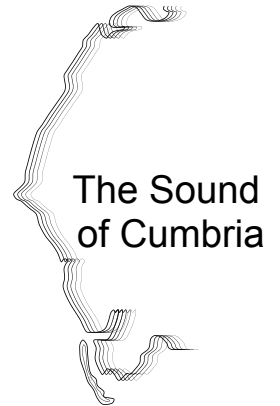
Welcome to the 2011/2012 season of the West Lakeland Orchestra






Lets deal with the business first. We're having our AGM on Monday 26th September St.Mary's Hall, Gosforth, starting at 7-30 pm and all members are invited - by the way you are a member if you pay the annual subscription or pay to play for the orchestra. As I put on the invitation form, there's an informal arrangement that people bring either a savoury or a sweet and we share them out. Jane Morris-Eyton is the person to talk to if you're not sure of the arrangements. We keep the formal bit as brief as possible - we can usually break the half hour - and then spend the rest of the evening having a nice social chat.

Now for the news. At the time of writing there's a very good chance that we'll be doing the Summer concert this season at the Theatre by the Lake in Keswick - there are still a few i's to dot etc. but Rob Barlow has worked really hard to arrange this booking so fingers crossed and hopefully - see you in Keswick.

Our first concert this year is a little different from usual in that it's got a clearly English flavour to it. There are lovely works by Delius and Coates together with what David considers one of the most challenging works we have ever attempted - the Elgar Violin Concerto with a great soloist Tamás András. Many of you will remember Tamás who did such a wonderful performance of the Saint-Saens Violin Concerto in back in 2006.

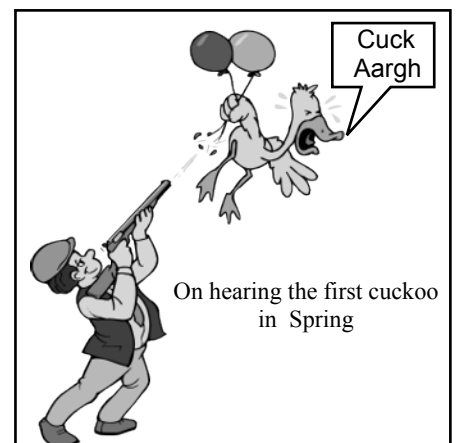
Just a final warning - any chaps or chapesses who feel compelled, during the Dambusters March, to run around the hall with their arms outstretched shouting 'Charlie One to Charlie Leader' should do their very best to restrain themselves!



Next Concert November 19th at 7-30 p.m. Alexandra Hall, Millom School

On Hearing the First Cuckoo in Spring	Frederick Delius
Violin Concerto in B minor, Op. 61	Edward Elgar
Soloist	Tamás András
The Three Elizabeths Suite	Eric Coates
Dambusters March	Eric Coates



West Lakes Orchestra Summer Concert at Broughton, 25th. June, 2011.

This year's summer concert by the West Lakeland Orchestra saw a return to the Victory Hall, Broughton, where a good sized audience gathered for the occasion.

The programme opened with Mendelssohn's 'Fingal's Cave' overture. The performance of this delightful work reminded us - were that necessary - of the high standard achieved by our local orchestra. In particular, strings and woodwind, who have much to do in this work, did it with great aplomb.

The standard was in no way diminished by the arrival of local horn player Catherine Clarke as soloist in Mozart's second horn concerto (Eb, K417). Catherine played with a great sense of classical style, and displayed the technical proficiency we have come to know through her regular appearances as the orchestra's first horn. The well balanced orchestral accompaniment left nothing to be desired.

The second half of the concert provided two very contrasting items - Percy Grainger's 'Molly on the Shore' and Mozart's 'Haffner' symphony (No. 35, K385). What these two works have in common is the requirement of great precision in an abundance of rapid passages relentlessly appearing throughout the works. The required clarity was never lacking - nor the lyricism of the more gentle moments. The orchestra, under its leader Helen Cain, and its conductor David Shirt provided us with another evening to appreciate the high standard of our local musicians and the rehearsed discipline of their performance.

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AGM Notification

This year's AGM takes place on Monday, 26th September at 7-30 pm in St Mary's Rooms, St. Mary's Hall, Gosforth

Normally we have fairly short meeting with a pleasant meal and a drink afterwards. We usually each bring a dish or two which we share out - please contact Jane Morris-Eyton on 01229772298 if you are unsure what to bring.

Agenda

- 1) Chairman's welcome
- 2) Apologies
- 3) Minutes of last AGM
- 4) Matters arising
- 5) Financial report (tabled)
- 6) Committee report (tabled)
- 7) Election of Committee
- 8) Any other urgent business at the discretion of the chairman

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