

NDS Committee Meeting

5th October 2009

- **FINANCES:** We have secured some sponsorship funding for next year which will help the orchestra stay afloat financially after a difficult 2008/09 season.
- **YEARLY LEAFLET:** 2000 have been printed and are waiting for collection in Bideford. Need to think about distribution. Give out at St. Matt Passion? North Devon Theatres. Tourist info etc. All ideas welcome
- **PLAY DAY:** Full ww section signed up but brass and strings were more of an issue. However, since the event was cancelled it has become apparent that there were people planning on coming who hadn't signed up. Will definitely try again. CHB to address the orchestra at AGM for feedback.
- **AGM:** 5-8 Sunday 22nd November rehearsal followed by AGM (8pm-9pm) in downward room, West Buckland.
- **NEXT SEASON:** All soloists and concerts now confirmed for 2009/10 season. EMK has confirmation from Colin May that we can have a Queens Theatre date in Feb 2011, but that the Landmark date will have to move to May 2011 as a result.
- **SOCIAL EVENT:** For November concert having a post concert get together. Possibly at the Fortescue, social secretary to confirm.
- **WEBSITE:** Rehearsal schedule needed ASAP. EMK to email soloists biogs and photos to Webmaster. 2009/10 season CONCERT PROGRAMME, all details needed ASAP. One of the pages doesn't work.
- **PUBLICITY:** parish magazine advertising encourage players to put our yearly dates in their village/parish magazines EMK to email orchestra. Matt to ensure we're on all 'what's on' listings (newspaper, council publications, web). Banner's do work, continue to invest in this lets not bother with Tesco Barnstaple (overkill). Can we have one at the Gates of St. Peter's again bigger (next size up). Can Neil look into getting an A-frame poster board make that says 'North Devon Sinfonia Concert – Here this Saturday! www.northdevonsinfonia.org.uk 01598 710434' including the logo. The idea is we give this to the venues a week before any concert to help advertise. Preferably ready for next concert. Home-made if necessary (can we find a good egg whose good with wood?). CHB and EMK can laminate A3 sheet to be pinned to it (Ideally we'd like it to be at least A3 wide Matt thinks an A2 size board)
- **NEW REHEARSAL VENUE:** on hold for the minute. Ask the orchestra at the AGM.
- **RECORDING OF APRIL CONCERT:** EMK to do on return to school.
- **NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 3rd November**
 - AGM details
 - Distribution of yearly leaflet
 - New committee members
 - Christmas concert 2010 – Landmark?
 - 2nd violin issue
 - Creating a community in the orchestra
 - Photos, selling to orchestra