

## Membership Application

Please complete this form and send it to the Secretary:

Nigel Webb,  
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Name: .....

Do you play regularly?: .....

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Qualifications: .....

Address: .....

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Postcode: .....

Telephone: .....

e-mail (will not be published)

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Would you be happy to receive the newsletter by e-mail?

Y/N

Do you have transport?

Y/N

Are you available for deputising?

Y/N

## Gift Aid Certificate

If you are a UK Taxpayer and are prepared to make your Subscription under the HMRC Gift Aid Scheme, please complete the Declaration below:

Full Name: .....

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Address: .....

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Postcode: .....

I am a UK taxpayer and I intend the tax relating to my Subscriptions and any Donations to the Dorset Association of Organists (Reg. Charity 277303) to be reclaimed under the Gift Aid Scheme

Signature: .....

Date: .....

**If you wish to pay by electronic transfer or by Standing Order the Association's Bank Details are:**

Sort Code: 30-99-12 Lloyds, Wareham

Account No: 00193115

# The DORSET ASSOCIATION of ORGANISTS

(Reg. Charity No. 277303)



The Dorset Association of Organists (DAO) welcomes everybody with an interest in the organ, its construction and its music whether or not they play the instrument themselves.

The Association usually holds nine meetings a year at various locations throughout Dorset. The Annual General Meeting is held in late March, when subscriptions become due.

The meetings cover a wide range of topics related to the organ and its music, as well as to choirs, and sometimes the role of music in the liturgy. There are visits to hear and play organs, talks and classes on playing the organ and on interpreting organ music, talks and demonstrations on organ building, maintenance and tuning, recitals by members and an occasional celebrity recital, an annual coach outing to a cathedral or similar major location, and social events including an annual lunch. From time to time there are sales of second hand music and recordings.

Members receive the Association's own Newsletter four times a year. This contains details of the forthcoming meetings, IAO news, news about members, announcements including vacancies for organists, and a diary of local recitals and concerts. The Dorset Association of Organists is affiliated to the Incorporated Association of Organists. This enables

DAO members to participate in all IAO activities and entitles them to all the benefits and services provided by the IAO. DAO members can subscribe at a reduced rate to the IAO magazine "Organists' Review".

## History of the Association

The inaugural meeting of the Association was held on the 5th November 1937 in Weymouth when it was decided to form the South Dorset Organists Association. The early years of the Association were difficult and membership was very low during the war years but gradually membership grew and today stands at close to 100. Originally, the Association catered for an area from Poole in the east to the Dorset/Devon border in the west and northwards into the middle of the County. However, in recent years it has drawn members from the whole of Dorset and in 2006 the membership decided to change the name of the Association to the Dorset Association of Organists. The new name became effective from 1st January 2007. The Association has close links with neighbouring Associations and from time to time holds joint meetings. The catchment area of the Association is a predominantly rural and many of our members are organists of country town and village churches. However, some members do not play the organ at all and are purely interested in the instrument and its music.

Currently (from 2013) the subscription is £12.00. A second member at the same address may join for a subscription of £6.00 per year.

For those under the age of 18 and students in full time education membership is free.



St. Andrew, East Lulworth

