

## Chair's Monthly Report-May 2020

Since our last concert and the virtual agm that so many of you participated in, the following actions (in no particular order) have been taken by the committee and a wider group of orchestra members.

1. An orchestra WhatsApp group has been established as an informal way for members to keep in touch. If you have not yet joined it please do by getting in touch with Lynne (flute) who will sign you in. You don't have to particularly participate in all the postings but it is rather a good way of keeping in touch with the various wooden carved creations of Dave Milner.
2. An orchestra YouTube channel has been established linked to the website and Nikola (2nd Violin) has taken over the update of the site from Matthew
3. Matthew's contract as development manager for the orchestra has come to an end and as yet we have not been successful with applications to the Arts Council to extend his role. Matthew did a fabulous job of work for the orchestra and we hope to be able to work with him again in the future.
4. The committee are continuing to examine a variety of ways in which the orchestra can maintain a virtual public face until such time that live public concerts are acceptable .
5. There is a tea break Zoom event every Wednesday evening at 8.30 pm attended by about 25 members . Everyone is welcome for a chat/ quiz etc. If you are a stranger to Zoom get in touch with me and I will take you through the simple basics.

Please keep in touch with the orchestra during these difficult times. If you are not particularly a Social Media fan then why not send a postcard to me at:

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I will be happy to scan and circulate it if you would like.

Take care of yourselves and those around you

Ged McCormack  
SSO Chair