

SOLENT CONCERT ORCHESTRA – MUSIC FOR CHARITY

Since its formation from the original Marchwood Orchestra a little over two years ago, the Solent Concert Orchestra has raised over £1000 for various charities through local churches.

The orchestra comprising some thirty odd musicians has played a wide variety of music ranging from concertos and symphonies to well-known film and pop music. Composers have varied from Tchaikovsky and Beethoven to Howard Shore (Lord of the Rings), Gilbert and Sullivan and Abba. The orchestra has even played a symphony composed by its young and dynamic musical director Simon Wilkins.

Living up to its name the orchestra has played in Totton, Twyford, Lymington, Lyndhurst and Fawley with future concerts planned for Southampton, Hythe , Lymington and Milford-on- Sea. Weekly rehearsals are held in Bramshaw village hall, a spacious and modern facility which has proved to be conveniently located for members of the orchestra.

The orchestra strives to bring a good standard and wide range of classical and popular as well as light music to communities around the Solent and New Forest region. The next concert entitled 'Music Through The Ages' is due to take place at The Cornerstone URC in Hythe on Saturday 5th October 2019 beginning at 7.30pm. More information can be found on the orchestra's website at: www.solentconcertorchestra.org.uk

Dr. Julian Lewis MP is the orchestra's patron and often attends concerts.