

COMPOSER OF THE MONTH: Contact John PLAYFER

Meetings: 14:30 1st & 4th Wednesday at Leader's house MM.

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As readers of the Newsletter will be aware the Group has now reached its 200th programme, after 11 years and three months. Membership has changed as time has gone by, but our original founder members are still with us. It is their loyalty and enthusiasm together with that of the members who have joined subsequently that has enabled the Group to reach its present milestone and it is greatly appreciated.

Members of the Group have on occasion asked me whether I was in danger of running out of composers! I refer them to an internet database which lists some 15 thousand composers and assure them that there is therefore enough material for the Group to continue for some 700 years, most of those, of course, under the leadership of my successor Group Leaders!

Two other questions that frequently arise are: Why isn't the music played more often in concert halls and on Classic FM? And why haven't there been more films made about some of the remarkable and exciting lives that composers have led?

John Playfer