



***The Annual General Meeting will be held
at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, 29 April 2017
in the Vaughan Williams Room at the Library.***

Please do come to the AGM if you possibly can. We value your suggestions as to how best to continue to support the Library and what future events to organise. The AGM is an opportunity for you to make those suggestions and to talk to members of the committee. As usual we would be delighted if you were able to join us (the committee) for lunch beforehand, in the restaurant at Denbies, from 1:15 p.m. but, in any event, to make the AGM something of a social occasion we will also serve refreshments during the AGM. Please let us know using the return slip below.

Annual Report and Financial Statements: A short Annual Report together with a copy of the independently examined financial statement for the year ended 31 December 2016 are enclosed with this Newsletter. Please bring them with you to the AGM.

Please Help: Your Committee needs new members. The work is not very time consuming, so why not have a word with Mark Welling (the Chairman) or any of the current Committee members to find out what is involved. Contact details are given on page 2.

Peter Baxter: Peter's last day in the Library was in February. He has made an invaluable contribution to the Library since he joined ten years ago and he has been hugely supportive of FOSPAL. The FOSPAL committee marked his departure with (fittingly) some Denbies sparkling wine and a present of *The Letters of Ralph Vaughan Williams (1898-1958)* to remind him of his time at the Library and in Dorking as he starts his new life in Edinburgh. These were paid for by donations from well-wishers.

Renee Stewart: We were saddened to learn of the death in February, aged 96, of Renee Stewart. Renee was a talented musician, conductor and administrator who played a huge role in the musical life of the area (in particular the Leith Hill Musical Festival) for more than 60 years. *Continued overleaf....*



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I am planning/unable to come *(please delete as appropriate)*

Please keep ____ **places for me for lunch** *(please complete as appropriate)*

Name (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms)

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Signature

Date

Renee Stewart (continued from page 1)

Renee was a regular user of the Library where, almost up to the time of her death, she continued her studies of Ralph Vaughan Williams' papers held in the Library. She was a keen member of FOSPAL and a great friend of the Library and will be greatly missed. Members of the FOSPAL committee attended her funeral in Abinger Common on a perfect Spring day in March - an event full of wonderful singing (RVW of course!) and many memories of Renee from members of her family and those with whom she had worked closely over the years.

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