

## NORTH WALES INTERNATIONAL BRANCH

Good day to you again, one and all and greetings from a very wet Snowdonia. Attendance for the January meeting was at the usual level of one apology for absence, so I'll quickly gloss over that as usual and move on to other matters, starting with a confession of sorts. I actually had a clear out and got rid of a load of records. There, I feel better now I've told someone, Doctor. Trouble was, with limited space available and in the interests of domestic harmony (or at least truce) it was getting to the point where I would be offered a pile of records and I'd have to say 'nope, sorry, no space' and as I just love heaps of records this could not go on. The Modus Operandi was to sit on the floor going through the lot asking myself 'am I ever going to play this'. About a week of this left me with a matter of 400+ records 'to go'. Ah, but where to, exactly? I did think about contacting some of the dealers on the net, but as there was an awful lot of light classical there I didn't hold out much hope, and I'd never forgive myself for tipping them without at least trying, so I turned to our old friend E-bay. They went to a new collector in South Wales, which was a huge relief as I was expecting somebody in the novelty placemat industry. I even profited financially to the tune of very nearly half a pint! If you're reading this, Derrick, thanks very much and welcome aboard.

Now on to the events diary, which actually features something happening for a change! Next North Wales meeting is scheduled for Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 in the evening, it would be wonderful to see somebody there! AND following on from the good response last year David and Elaine Hedger are putting on a gramophone show on 12<sup>th</sup> of August in Cricceith Memorial Hall (just West of Porthmadoc). More details to follow via the magazine and website as I get them, also keep an eye on Facebook, if you do this social media thingy.

That's about it for this time, bye for now,

Pete Clinch