



Letter from the Chair,

Márta Torda

Dear ESU Members and Supporters,



I am sorry to trouble you with this letter, but I find the things I am writing about absolutely crucial to the work of the ESU in Hungary in the future.

As you might remember we had an Extra General Meeting on the 28th April 2003. You were all able to read about it in the Newsletter (issue 7) sent to you by Steve. Just to remind you of what happened there: three members of the Board were elected, Barsi Gizella, Apagyi Katinka and myself, Torda Márta, as Chair. After the elections the conducting chair, Steve Jones closed the EGM.

There have been problems with continuing our work properly and legally in Hungary so now it is my task to make sure things happen.

This is why I, as the (now twice elected) Chair, call another Extra General Meeting. I know it is inconvenient for many of you to arrange your time so that you - or as many of you as possible - can be there. At this point it is absolutely essential for all of those who can take part in the EGM to be present. That is why I am sending you this invitation in good time.

EGM on 10th June

Please inform [Steve Jones, the ESU Programme Director](#), of your intention to attend or otherwise by mail or e-mail using the contact details on page 2.

INVITATION

I hereby inform the members of "The English Speaking Union of Hungary" (Az Angolul Beszélők Világszövetségének Magyarországi Tagozata Egyesület) that an Extra General Meeting will be held

**on Tuesday 10th June 2003
at 18.00**

**at the HAUER CUKRÁSZDA
Budapest, Rákóczi u. 47-49**

to which I am kindly inviting you.

In the event that the General Meeting is not quorate (the quorum requires that 50% plus one members have to take part in the meeting), the Extra General Meeting will be recalled on **10th June 2003, at 18.30**, also at the Hauer Cukrászda (Budapest, Rákóczi u. 47-49).

The Agenda of the Extra General Meeting is as follows:

1. Opening by the conducting chair
2. Elections

I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize how important I find this EGM to the smooth running and positive outcome of the work of the ESU of Hungary. Thus I would underline that all those who can come should do so. We inform members that only those have a right to vote at the EGM, who have already paid their membership fee or pay it before the meeting.

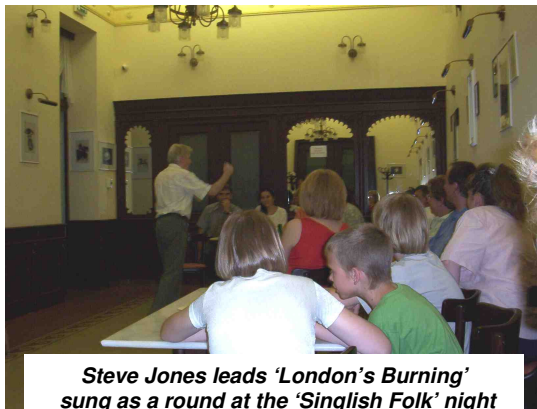
The Extra General Meeting will be conducted in English, the work language of the ESU. I hope that you all see the importance of this meeting.

See you there.

With all good wishes,

Márta Torda, Chair of the ESU of Hungary

20th May 2003. Győr



Steve Jones leads 'London's Burning' sung as a round at the 'Singlish Folk' night

Aims and Objectives:

- **Promote** English in public speaking and debate for the support of worldwide communication and dialogue
- **Encourage** the enjoyment and constructive use of English through educational programmes
- **Provide and Create** cultural activities
- **Ensure** the coordination and coherence of our activities through the skill and dedication of our voluntary helpers
- **Rely** upon the enthusiasm and support of all our members
- **Work** in close and innovative partnership with our corporate members and sponsors

Study in Australia

If you or someone you know is interested in studying in Australia, the Australian College Information Centre (ACIC) is organising an information evening on **Tuesday 27th May at 4 pm**. The venue is Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME) Building K, room 66 (Budapest, Műegyetem rkp. 3.)

The presentation will be by representatives of TAFE NSW and the Southern Sydney Institute. For further information you can contact Peter Zajkas pzajkas@elender.hu

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Boat Trip?

There are plans for a boat trip to Esztergom and Szentendre, and we would like anyone interested to contact Varga Judit judit123@hotmail.com or Gáspár Jolán Gaspar.Jolan@im.hu. If you have any suggestions or can offer any assistance they would be very happy to hear from you.

Singlish Folk

Thank you to all those who attended the inaugural event on Tuesday 13th May at the Hauer Cukrászda. There were 25 people present who sang a wide variety of songs from Europe, America and Australia. There were well known songs such as 'Skip to my lou', 'Michael Row the Boat Ashore' and 'the House of the Rising Sun' but also many less well known songs including several suitable for children.

The emphasis was on participation and there was no lack of enthusiasm there, particularly when 'London's Burning' was sung as a four part round – very beautifully. Come along to the next 'Singlish Folk' evening on 10th June, again at the Hauer. We hope to have a song book available for that evening which will begin at 7 pm.

DIARY DATES

Budapest: Australian College Information Centre (see p2.)	<i>Tuesday 27th May</i>
Budapest: Land of the High Passes – photo presentation on Indian Tibet	<i>Tuesday 27th May</i>
Budapest: "Singlish Folk" evening of Folk Songs in English at the Hauer, 7 pm till late.	<i>Tuesday 10th June</i>
Budapest: Meeting with a group from the ESU (Essex branch)	<i>Saturday 21st June</i>

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