

2007

June

Budapest: 'Singlish Folk' – RBIF *Tuesday 19th June*

Office - Starts at 6 pm – FREE *Tuesday 26th June*

TO ALL

SUMMER BREAK *Tue 3^d, 10th, 17th July*

July

Budapest: 'Singlish Folk' – RBIF *Tuesday 24th July*

Office - Starts at 6 pm – FREE *Tuesday 31st July*

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ESU Public Speaking

Competition 2007

"Dynamic Earth"

We were very grateful to Professor Dr. György Fekete, the director of the SOTE II clinic, Budapest, for offering the lecture theatre in the Tüzoltó u. building.

The event took place on Friday 13th April at 1.30 pm, finishing at 3.30 pm. The competitors prepared a five minute presentation in English under the title of

'DYNAMIC EARTH'.



Most of the work of organising the event centrally went to Judit Bórszeki for which everyone participating was extremely grateful. The smooth running of the event was mainly

the result of her hard work. We also have to thank the teachers who prepared their students so well and ensured their participation.

The JUDGES

We were very pleased to have two native speaker judges; Steve Stanton a financial advisor for DeVere and Partners and Peter Fekete (despite the name, English) who is involved in internet education. In addition we were very grateful to Rita Kiss, a teacher at the police academy here in Budapest, who made up the panel of three.

Participants were very pleased to hear Steve Stanton, particularly for his excellent questions and to Peter Fekete for his valuable de-briefing of the participants. We hope to do something similar in future, perhaps more formally.

Pictured below L to R: Steve Stanton (judge), Péter Kovács (winner), Rita Kiss (judge), Peter Fekete (judge), Edmund Dudley (organiser, Pécs)



SPONSORSHIP

We received funding to cover the cost of one person attending the final in London. This sponsorship of 280 GBP, from Metropolitan Essex branch of the ESU in the UK, covered the expenses of our representative, Péter Kovács from Pécs, who will be our competitor from Hungary in the International Competition. We have written to express our thanks to Ron Truss, the Chairman of the Essex branch. The person selected was the winner in the 'open' category, which included all competitors.



The winner in the 'Home' category was Iveszics Alexander from Pécs and the runner up was Patrick Taylor from Eger.

The winners in both sections 'home' and 'open' and the runner up all received medals. The winner's name will appear on the trophy. In fact every one of the participants was a winner as the standard was really very high. We are only disappointed that there were not even more entrants.

The PARTICIPANTS

Results in order of presentation.

1. **Budapest - Vörösmarty Mihály Gimn.**

Novák Rebeka

2. **Debrecen - Fazekas Mihály Gimnázium**

Adriány Csenge

3. **Budapest - Vörösmarty Mihály Gimn.**

Turi Dániel

4. **Pécs - Szent Mór Iskolaközpont**

Kovács Péter - WINNER - Open section

5. **Nyíregyháza - Krúdy Gyula Gimnázium**

Gucsá Magdolna

6. **Baja - Türr István Gazdasági Szakközépiskola**

Szendy Tibor

7. **Eger - Neumann János Gimnázium**

Bota Zsolt

8. **Szombathely - Bolyai János Gyakorló Általános Iskola és Gimnázium**

Drácz Lajos

9. **Eger - Pásztorvölgyi Általános Iskola és Gimnázium**

Patrick Taylor - RUNNER UP - Open section

10. **Ráckeve - Ady Endre Gimnázium**

Nagy Márton

11. **Nyíregyháza - Krúdy Gyula Gimnázium**

Móré Dorottya

12. **Pécs - Babits Mihály Gyakorló Gimnázium és Szakközépiskola**

Iveszics Alexander - WINNER - Home section

Further information on the competition, including pictures of the competitors, may be obtained from the website www.singlish.hu

OUP HEALTHY LIFESTYLE COMPETITION

Szechenyi Library 2nd June 2007

Opened by Brassói Sándor (pictured right), a deputy secretary from the Education Ministry, there were over 400 prizes to be given out to the entrants for the competition during two sessions, the first in the morning at 11am and the second in the afternoon starting at 1pm.



In addition to the giving out of prizes there was some entertainment from Steve Jones with his folk songs and from a young Klaudia Egervári from a Kaposvár primary school with her tale about a cat which didn't want to go to sleep.

Further information and pictures can be seen on www.singlish.hu and can be ordered by e-mailing Steve Jones at stevejones@t-online.hu

FOLK CLUB and DISCUSSION GROUP CONTINUES

Continuing throughout the year, every Tuesday evening from 6 to 8pm, the 'Folk Club' and 'Discussion Group' remains popular with the small number who attend.



Over the four years it has been running there have been over 150 people who have attended with a core group of around 20.

NEW PEOPLE WELCOME AND IT'S FREE

These evenings are not solely about singing though we do tend to sing a lot of the time. We discuss the songs, the background, the culture and other things too.

We also have refreshments which those attending bring with them. We always have too much so please come along to the next one!

ROBERT BURNS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION OFFICE Váci út 99

We are located at the RBIF office near Forgách utca station on the metro 3. We are in building 9 if you cannot find us.

Members – those attending – use the songbooks which are published on the website www.singlish.hu

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New Blood Needed!

The ESU is always looking for new members who would like to help in organising. If you feel you have something to offer on a voluntary basis please contact:

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