

Drawing by Graeme Rushworth

1884 JW Walker & Sons Organ Restoration August 2010 Update

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Progress with St Andrew's Organ Restoration

South Brisbane's Inheritance



"You have a beautiful organ there!"

"Yours is one of the best organs in Queensland."

"Your church and organ are magnificent treasures."

These are some comments about St Andrew's Church and its 1884 organ that remind us all that South Brisbane and South Bank can be proud of its inheritance whilst continuing to be a vastly developing area. The church and organ certainly act as a magnet to people from overseas, the music world, the local community and far beyond, the architectural world, photography and heritage worlds.

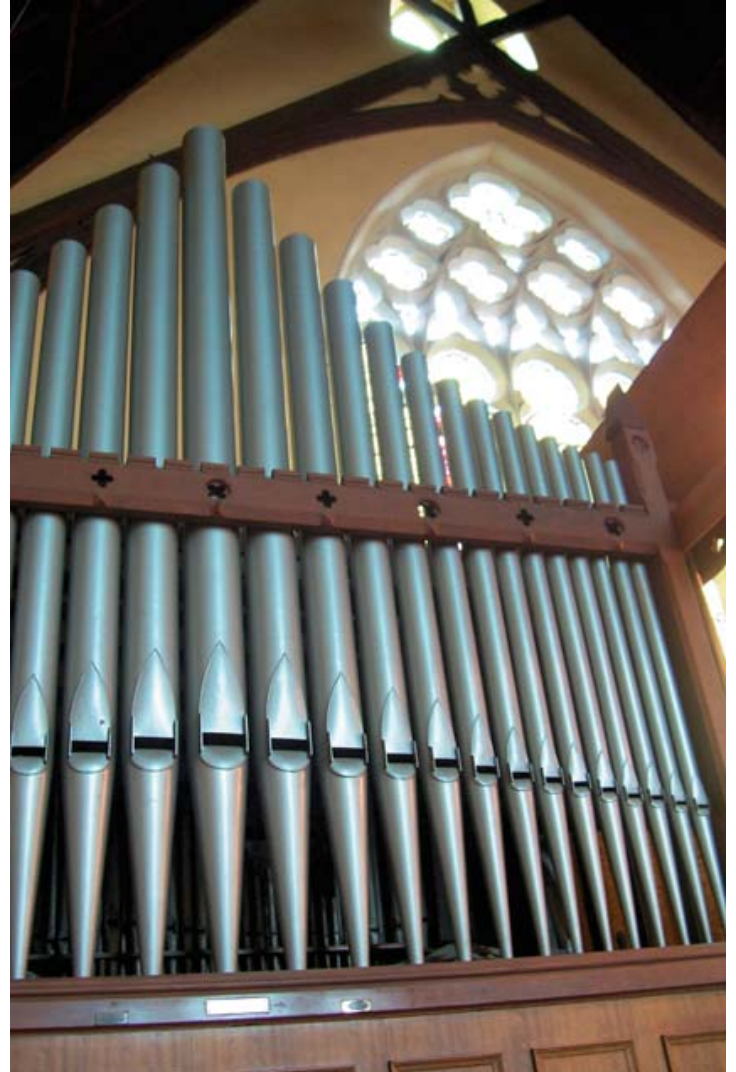
Respecting this Inheritance

Since the foundation stone of the church was laid in 1878, the people of the church and the community have undertaken the responsibility of maintaining the heritage church and organ.

With the help of all our generous donors, including \$15,000 each from the Heritage Units of the Brisbane City Council and the Queensland Government Department of Environment and Resource Management, we have completed the first stage of restoring the organ at a cost of \$94,000.

The bellows, pipework and soundboards are now in mint condition. It was a privilege to observe the attention to detail and skill of organ builder Simon Pierce and his team over 5 months of concentrated work.

Organ consultant Graeme Rushworth says that their work has produced "an exemplary and marvellous result".



Gratitude

We are so grateful to all those who have seen the organ restoration as a vitally important National Trust of Queensland heritage project so that the organ will function and provide music for glorious weddings, comforting funerals, uplifting services and inspiring concerts well into the next century.

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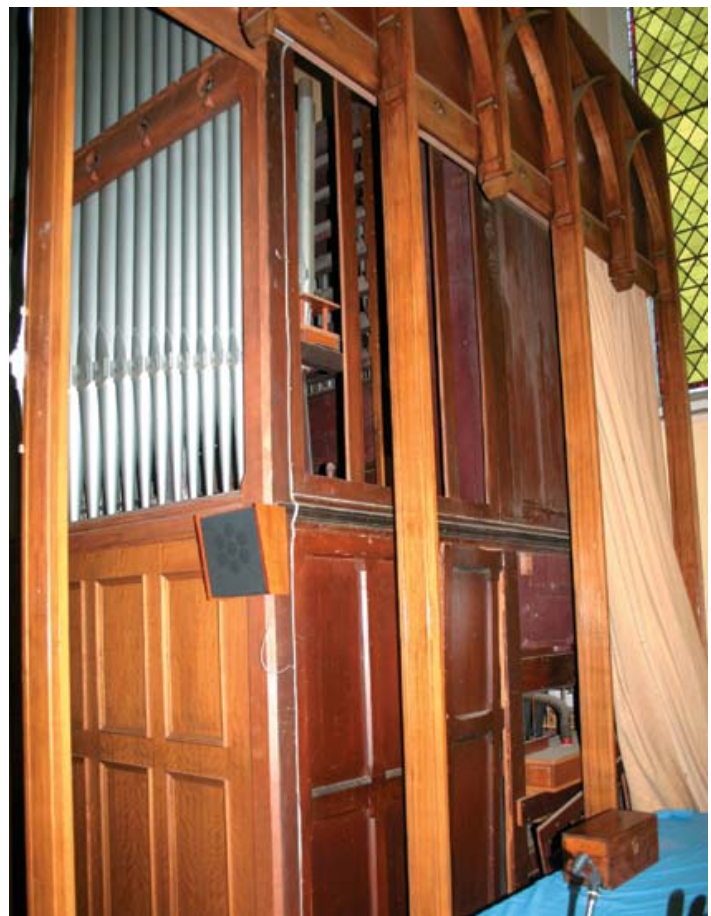
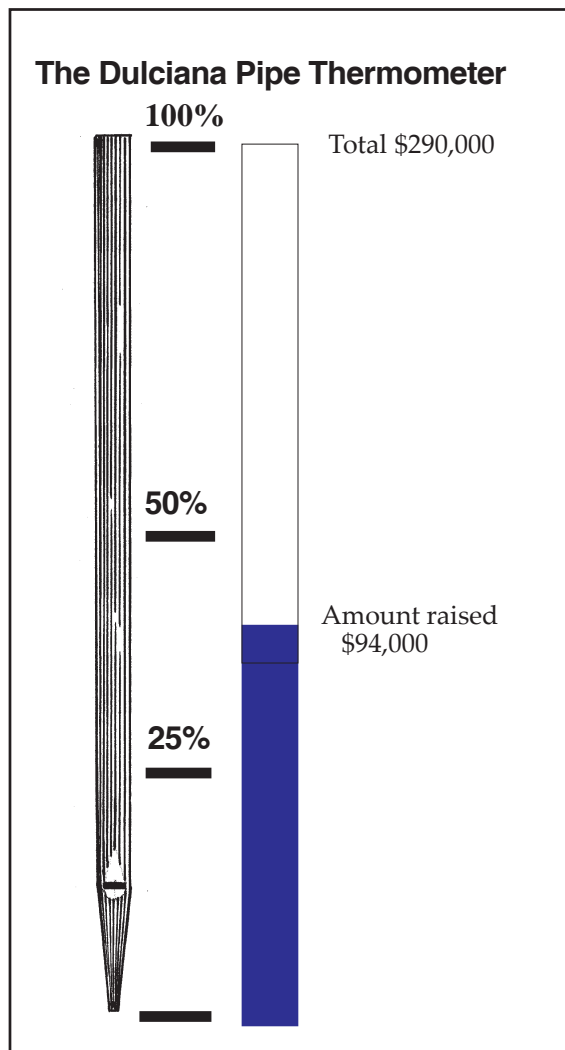


Now and the Immediate Future

Now the organ sounds clearer, stronger and purer with 984 clean and repaired pipes and no less than 300 screws to seal cracks and splits in the soundboards. But this is just a *peek* into what a total restoration will produce.

We still need:

- **2 new keyboards totalling 112 keys - and no more sticking keys!**
- **New mechanical action - and no more electrical failure!**
- **Repaired panels on the side case - and no more torn, dusty curtain blocking the sound!**
- **Re-stencilled showfront pipes - setting the seal on a genuine restoration!**



Your invitation

Would you like to be part of this exciting National Trust of Queensland heritage project? We are creating history again and will be recognized well into the next century for our enduring efforts.

We need to raise \$196,000 by June 2011

Brisbane City Council Heritage Incentives Scheme has allocated us a further \$15,000 grant. They have wonderfully led the way into the next and final stage of the organ project.

Thank you for your placing value in this National Trust of Queensland heritage project.

Further Information

For further information about St Andrew's Organ and Concerts, please contact Margaret Powell on 07 33987636 or email: m_powell@yahoo.com.au The organ website is www.st-andrews.org.au and click on News & Events tab. Brochures about the organ restoration are available at the back of the church. For St Andrew's contact details see over.