

Margaret Holliday



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End of era as leading light in musical circles dies at 86

A well-known figure in the local music scene has died.

Margaret May Holliday passed away at Rossendale Nursing Home, in Ansdell, aged 86.

Margaret devoted her life to her love of music and was the co-founder of the Lytham St Annes Music Circle, which is now in its 64th season.

Originally from Reading, Margaret also formed and conducted the Lytham St Annes Ladies' Choir, which celebrated its golden Jubilee in 1997 with a series of concerts.

Miss Holliday moved to St Annes with her parents during the war and was head of music at Layton Hill Convent, while teaching piano to students at Queen Mary School in Lytham.

Margaret's work was so appreciated by the local music scene that "The Margaret Holliday Cup" has been created and will be awarded to the most promising young pianist at the Lytham St Annes Festival of Performing Arts.

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