

## Soprani-Settimio Accordion (Blue)

### **General condition**

The accordion is in a reasonable cosmetic condition externally. The bellows is in excellent condition internally and externally. Internally the accordion is in reasonable mechanical condition but see the notes regarding the reeds. The bass end mechanism looks in good condition and all of the buttons work. The keys and the buttons are free moving and evenly spaced. The palm switch works but is a bit tight and probably needs the slide easing. The bellows is in good condition and doesn't seem to leak. The assembly pins are all loose and most had selotape holding them in. One pin was missing and had been replaced with a nail (now removed and replaced). The valve block switch sliding part is very tight and will require easing. The straps were rotten and have been removed. The weight of the accordion without straps is 9.7Kg

### **Tuning**

There are a few reeds with broken tongues and one reed assembly missing altogether. Most of the leather valves will need replacing. The instrument will need tuning.

### **Pictures**



Keyboard and valves



Keys



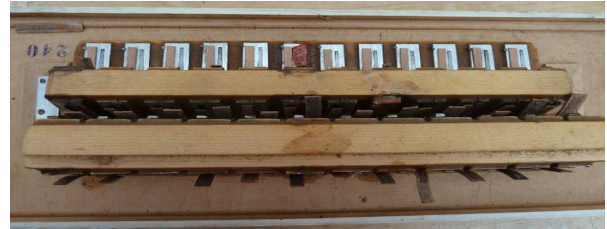
Rear View



Bellows Gasket



Treble Reed blocks



Bass Reed Blocks



Bass Button Mechanism



Voice Switch

## **Summary**

The instrument is a 120 bass with 41 keys from a low G to a high B. The instrument has a single voice switch – probably for Musette.

The instrument is mechanically sound with all the mechanisms in place.

Work needed to restore it to good condition is:-

1. Replace the broken reeds
2. Check and replace most/all of the leather reed valves
3. Fit new bellows gaskets to both ends
4. free the voice switch slides
5. Bush the assembly pins
6. Tune the instrument