

# Cesare Pancotti Accordion

## **General condition**

This 1918 accordion is in a reasonable cosmetic condition externally with less wear than expected for an instrument of this age. The bellows looks to be in reasonable/good condition both inside and out. The keys are all in place but 2 have a slight tendency to stick down, the valves look undamaged. Most of the reed valves are curled and will need replacing. The actual reeds are all working and all of the tongues are present. The bass mechanism works and appears to be in good condition.

The weight of the accordion without straps is 9Kg.

## **Tuning**

The instrument will need tuning.

## **Pictures**



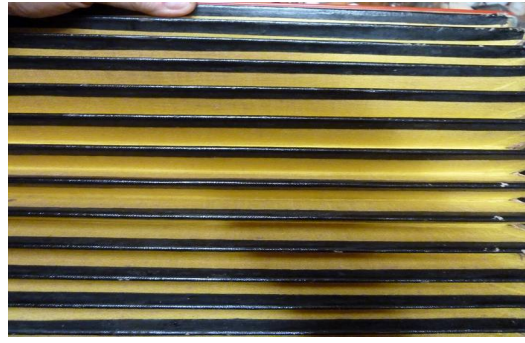
Keyboard and valves



Treble Reed Blocks



Bass Reed Blocks



Bellows



Bass Button Mechanism



Bass buttons

## **Summary**

The instrument is a 36 bass with 34 keys from a low C to a high A.

Work needed to restore it to usable condition is:-

1. Fit new bellows gaskets to both ends.
2. The bass mechanism could do with a little lubrication
3. Replace the reed valves
4. Fit new straps
5. Tune