

A Few Notes



Newsletter No 24

Notes from Jilly

Our choir is sounding fantastic! Well done to our newcomers who have embraced the repertoire with enthusiasm and gusto!

Please note that the extended pre-concert rehearsals during the weeks leading up to the concerts are **open to everyone**, not just those who are performing. We will cover harmonies and tricky sections in a variety of pieces - which we will perform and/or simply enjoy during rehearsals throughout the year.

Jilly

Choir Calendar

At the end of this newsletter is an updated choir calendar, taking us up to Christmas. Of special note is the change to rehearsal timings for May and June. We hope that the later start will allow for more family time during the day on the summer Sundays. The 'Calendar' section of the choir website should be referred to if in doubt at any time.

The Soirées, of which we have held just one, are an opportunity for members of any experience to perform very informally as a soloist, or a small group, during an extended refreshment period following a rehearsal.

Masterclasses and Workshops

It is still Jill's intention periodically to hold a masterclass or workshop and details will be given. These will be entirely separate from our rehearsals, open to all members and have a theme or focus on a specific musical genre, such as: Musical Theatre, Sacred, Opera Choruses, Folk, Barbershop, Madrigals, Rock and Pop.

For these we would need to hire the Hall and have an accompanist; they would not be covered by our normal subscription, so there would need to be an additional charge.

Fundraising for the Choir

To date, thanks to members who have been buying online via EasyFundraising, £160 has been raised. Please keep up the good work! We are very grateful.

Newer members may not know that our choir is supported by EasyFundraising. You can sign up by following the link on the 'Funding' tab on the choir website.

Most online retailers and many rail, airline and hotel booking sites give a small percentage of whatever you spend online to us, via EasyFundraising. You pay nothing extra – you just have to remember to go to Amazon/John Lewis/British Airways/Expedia etc etc via the EasyFundraising link when you do your shopping or book your holidays.

Do You Like the Way that the Choir is Run?

Do *you* like the way that the choir is run? What pleases you? What doesn't?

Jill Neenan would welcome comments, ideas or suggestions about the choir from any members. Ideally these are made via our email address, but a separate note to her is equally acceptable (praise is also welcomed of course!).

Choir Contact Details. Email messages for Jill Neenan (choral matters), or Lance Redler (membership and general administration), should be sent to wingsingers@yahoo.co.uk. Lance can also be contacted by telephone on: (01296) 681286 or 07769 942951. The choir website is: www.thewingsingers.org.uk.

10 March 2017

CHOIR CALENDAR

- Sunday 12 March - 4:00pm-5:00pm rehearsal sopranos & altos;
5:00pm-5:30pm rehearsal all voices;
5:30pm-6:30pm rehearsal tenors & basses
- Sunday 19 March 4:00pm-5:00pm rehearsal tenors & basses;
5:00pm-5:30pm rehearsal all voices;
5:30pm-6:30pm rehearsal sopranos & altos
- Friday 24 March 6:30pm-8:00pm pre-concert rehearsal at All Saints Church, Wing
- Saturday 25 March 3:30pm-4:30pm pre-concert rehearsal at All Saints Church, Wing
6:00pm-8:30pm Spring Concert at All Saints Church, Wing
- Sunday 23 April 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal, followed by the AGM
- Sunday 30 April 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal, followed by a Soirée until 6:45pm
- Sunday 7 May 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 14 May 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 21 May 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 11 June 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 18 June 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 25 June 6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 2 July 5:30pm-6:30pm rehearsal sopranos & altos;
6:30pm-7:00pm rehearsal all voices;
7:00pm-8:00pm rehearsal tenors & basses
- Sunday 9 July 5:30pm-6:30pm rehearsal tenors & basses;
6:30pm-7:00pm rehearsal all voices;
7:00pm-8:00pm rehearsal sopranos & altos
- Saturday 15 July 4:00pm-4:45pm (to be confirmed) 'Wing Fest' performance, Jubilee Green, Wing, followed by 'end of year' choir picnic.

SUMMER BREAK

- Sunday 10 September 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 17 September 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 24 September 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 1 October 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 8 October 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 15 October 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal
- Sunday 12 November 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal, followed by a Soirée until 6:45pm

Sunday 19 November 5:00pm-6:00pm rehearsal

Saturday 25 November 11:30-12:15 carols during Christmas Fayre, All Saints Church, Wing

Sunday 26 November 4:30pm-5:30pm rehearsal sopranos & altos;
5:30pm-6:00pm rehearsal all voices;
6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal tenors & basses

Sunday 3 December 4:30pm-5:30pm rehearsal tenors & basses;
5:30pm-6:00pm rehearsal all voices;
6:00pm-7:00pm rehearsal sopranos & altos

Sunday 10 December 5:00pm-?pm Carol Concert, Wing Village Hall

Sunday 17 December 5:00pm-6:00pm 'end of term' rehearsal