Wing Singers

A Few Notes



Newsletter No 15

Our Newsletter Title

We're very grateful to those who sent their suggestions for a possible title for our Newsletter; these have all been considered and the chosen title, offered by Margaret Redler, is shown above; we think it very suitable for a choir Newsletter.

Scarves/Bow Ties

Our new choir dress for future performances, of matching scarves (for all ladies/girls) or bow ties (for all men/boys), will be needed for the first time at the Spring Concert on Saturday 19 March.

For those wishing to buy their own scarves or bow ties, rather than borrowing from the central pool for a performance, these will be available for sale after the rehearsals on 28 February and 6 March, at £2 each. We are very grateful to Margaret Redler and Valerie Fielder for producing the bow ties – a very time-consuming task for which £25 per tie would perhaps be more realistic – please don't lose them!

Spring Concert – Saturday 19 March

Would all singers wishing to be considered for a solo or ensemble part please stay behind after the rehearsal on Sunday 28 February. Between 6:00pm and 6:25pm each singer will be required to sing the chorus of 'Oh What A Beautiful Morning' on their own, in an informal setting.

Please could all ladies print off the lyrics to 'Oh What A Beautiful Morning', ready for Sunday's rehearsal.

Details of the programme, solos, ensembles and other details regarding the Spring Concert will be sent to all members of *The Wing Singers* taking part, as an email, by Wednesday 2 March.

The scarves/bow ties and choir folders will be available, for loan to all members taking part, at the rehearsals on 6 and 13 March.

Questionnaire

We would be very grateful to have the completed questionnaires handed in at the registration desk at the next rehearsal on 28 February. Jill Neenan is using these when planning the choir's future repertoire, so they are important and worth taking a little time over.

Choir Membership Fees

We are very grateful that, for the next 12 months, the Wing Charities have again ring-fenced a specific sum of money to pay the annual (currently £45) choir membership fees for a small number of deserving adults, who must be resident in Wing Parish.

This fund is open to anyone – both to existing choir members and to anyone you know who would love to be part of the choir - who live in Wing Parish but can't afford the cost.

An application, which will be handled in the strictest confidence by the Wing Charities Committee and must explain why it is being requested, should be made in writing to:

Revd Helen C Barnes President, Wing Charities 27a Aylesbury Road Wing Leighton Buzzard LU7 0PD

(N.B. If it would be helpful, either Lance Redler or Jill Neenan would be happy to assist in drafting an application. The membership subscription/fee for the year starting in April will be decided at the AGM on 24 April, details of which will be issued nearer the time.)

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

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