



## **BULLETIN 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020**

### **Happy New Year everybody! Thanks for your ongoing support for Knot Another Choir**

I hope you're all excited to be starting a new term with Craig and Declan, we spent all of our first term growing to the size we are now, with new singers arriving more or less every week. We have now got to a point where the parts are really balanced so here's looking forward to a great year of singing together.

### **Change of Choir Nights**

**Due to Craig and Declan's work commitments we are unable to have our usual practices on the Thursday 5th and Thursday 19th of March. We will instead replace those practices with Wednesday 4th in Trinity Church and Wednesday 18th of March in our usual Trinity Church Hall**

### **New Songs**

Craig has sent us the following message, I'm sure you'll appreciate the lovely sentiment of his theme.

*The theme of the music this term will be 'Sing Up, Speak Out'; celebrating singing and friendship. Songs will include You're The Voice (John Farnham), Sing (Gary Barlow), Brave (Sara Berellis) and Get By With A Little Help With My Friends (The Beatles).*

All the songs are now on the website, our first song will be "You're the Voice"

I know you'll all work hard at practices learning these fantastic new songs. I hope you'll be looking and listening to your words and music at home when you can? this will help you to reinforce what you've learnt at practices.

In light of the fact that we have a charity concert on the 28th of March we have a lot of work to do, I'm sure that the forthcoming concert will be a great focus for your learning.

## **Christmas Events**

Thanks for all your involvement in the run up to Christmas. I hope you all enjoyed the events we were involved in. We hadn't sung at the Choir-a-thon before and it turned out to be really good fun. I've already been busy looking into a couple of new events for next Christmas, however some things that we do already are very popular and will stay as part of our programme for next year.

## **Gift Aid**

Firstly, a huge thanks to the 27 of you who have filled out a gift aid form. I am delighted to be able to inform you that, as a result of our recently awarded charitable status (March 2019) we have been able to make a backdated claim. We have reclaimed £511 from HMRC, which is wonderful. This money, going forward, will really help us to keep our prices down. If you're a UK taxpayer your membership cost qualifies for gift aid, please ask John for a form if you haven't done so already.

## **Direct Debit Payments.**

The transition, for those of you who've chosen to pay by direct debit, has gone through smoothly with the first payments taken on the 2nd of January.

## **Paying by Cheque**

For those of you who'll be paying termly by cheque please pay on our first night back. Your cheques for £52 (termly charge) should be made payable to Knot Another Choir CIO.

## **Standing Order**

For those of you paying by standing order please would you set this up before we return on the 9th January. Details are as follows.

**account number 52537397**  
**sort code 40-23-12**

## **New Members**

FYI We will not be accepting any new sopranos or altos this term. If you have any friends or acquaintances who'd still like to join us, we do have a waiting list that they can join if they wish to.

## **West Yorkshire Pop Festival Ossett 13th of June.**

So far there are 35 people booked to sing at the Festival, we can take more just so long as you tell me soon. I have booked a 49-seater coach for the return journey; the cost for this will be just £5 per head payable on departure. The coach will leave from the large York Place (Eastgate) car park HG5 0AD, opposite Knaresborough swimming pool at 8-40 a.m. If you want to leave your car there all-day parking is just £1-60.

## **Registration at Practice**

To avoid having a queue when you arrive at practices, we'll register you in your own parts from now on. Sop 1, Sop 2, Alto 1, Alto 2 and lower voices. As you know choir starts at 7-45 but if you'd like to chat before practice or help with chairs, you can arrive anytime from 7-15 onwards.

## **New Committee Member**

We are delighted to announce that Janet Davis has been accepted as a new member of the Knot Another Choir committee. Welcome to the team Janet!

See you all on Thursday! Julie and John

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Below are the dates and places for this term's rehearsals and performances.

## **Sessions run from 19:45-21:30**

### **January**

Thursday 9: Trinity Church Hall – start of Spring Term

Thursday 16: Trinity Church Hall

Thursday 23: Trinity Church Hall

### **February**

Thursday 6: Trinity Church Hall

Thursday 13: Trinity Church Hall

Thursday 20: Trinity Church Hall

Thursday 27: Trinity Church Hall

*Saturday 29: Sing for Spring 2, Chain Lane Community Hub 11:00 until 16:00*

### **March**

**Wednesday 4: Trinity Church**

Thursday 12: Trinity Church Hall

**Wednesday 18: Trinity Church Hall**

*Wednesday 25: Kings and Queens of rock, Leeds College of music 19:30*

Thursday 26: Trinity Church Hall

*Saturday 28: Knot Another Choir Charity event at Trinity Church, Knaresborough 19:00*

### **April**

Thursday 2: Trinity Church Hall (End of Term)

Thursday 16: Trinity Church Hall (Start of Spring Term)

### **May**

*Friday 8: Zamar York University Gospel Choir, Sir Jack Lyons concert hall, York 19:30*

### **June**

*Saturday 13: West Yorkshire Pop Festival, Ossett*

# OTHER EVENTS YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN

If you have anything you would like to go in this section, please send details to [john@knotanotherchoir.co.uk](mailto:john@knotanotherchoir.co.uk)

## Kings and Queens of Rock, Pop and Soul Show

If you'd like to see Craig conducting his amazing University Choir performing the fabulous 'Kings Queens of Rock, Pop and Soul show' you can catch it at Leeds College of Music on the 25th of MARCH GET YOUR TICKETS NOW you'll not regret it! Tickets available from the box office on 0113 376 0318.

## Zamar

Zamar is an enthusiastic and lively gospel choir made up of students from across York University and accompanied by a live band. Gospel tunes, workshop music, contemporary music and musical theatre are full of the choir's passion for, and enjoyment of, singing. Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May Sir Jack Lyons concert hall, York University @ 19:30 Tickets available from 01904322439 [boxoffice@york.ac.uk](mailto:boxoffice@york.ac.uk)  
[https://yorkconcerts.ticketsolve.com/shows/873611536?\\_ga=2.188769320.2068629515.1575641641-528635642.1575641641](https://yorkconcerts.ticketsolve.com/shows/873611536?_ga=2.188769320.2068629515.1575641641-528635642.1575641641)

## Wild Voice Festival

Last year the singing workshops were brilliant with fantastic leaders James Hawkins from the missing people's choir and Basil Meade from The London Gospel choir to name two.

Here's the link so that you can have a look and see if it might interest you.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/362931447744862/?ti=icl>