



## **BULLETIN 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

### **This Weeks News**

Craig returned to us from being unwell last week, how nice it was to see him looking fit and well again, and what a great night we had. The warmup was such fun and very lively! there were smiles and laughter in great abundance. Before we started singing the choir gave a rapturous round of applause to Declan to say a big thank you for doing such a fabulous job leading the choir and deputising for Craig last Thursday.

We started our Beatles song this week, it was very apparent that people had been working hard at home. (By the way if you have any issues accessing our sound files please speak to John as we can make alternative learning aids available to you). We did really well and now in terms of learning we just have to look at the beginning and the end of the song next week, please familiarise yourselves with these. Craig finished his teaching session encouraging us to dance while we sang our new song, what a lovely way to finish a session.

At the end of practice Craig graciously accepted his 30th birthday card that we'd all signed with a monetary gift from monies we'd raised from a collection. Julie Horsefield (Soprano ) had written a very touching poem for Craig's birthday, her friend, Sheila Hancox, read this beautifully in her absence it was then presented to Craig for him to keep as a memento in the form of a scroll.

We have had some issues regulating the temperature in the hall due to the fact that all the heaters are placed just on one side of the room. We have found that with the choir in attendance it seems impossible to maintain an even temperature across the room. In light of this would people dress accordingly, e.g. sopranos lighter clothing and altos wear something warmer. I have a funny image in my head now of the sopranos wearing

sundresses and the altos coming in skiwear. Anyway, so sorry if you're not feeling comfortable.

Exciting times! It's now only two weeks until our Sing For Spring 2 Workshop. If you are unable to attend, for any reason, then please let me know as I have been asked by people who weren't able to get a ticket if they can have a ticket if there are any cancellations.

Also it's only 7 weeks now until our Charity Concert at Trinity Church, entrance will be just £5. We hope we'll make lots of money for our chosen charity on a good raffle and cake stall. Would you please start thinking about which of your friends and family you're going to invite, it would be great to fill the church with song and happy people. Will you be thinking also about things you've got that you could donate as a raffle prize, and if, when the time comes, you'll bake or make something to sell or raffle.

We have now lose the list for The West Yorkshire Pop Festival on the 13th of June. We will be 47 singers on the day which is fantastic! I'm sure we'll have a fabulous day.

## **Harrogate Pride in Diversity Gala Dinner** **5th of June**

We'll sing at the Harrogate Pride in Diversity Gala Dinner at The Crown Hotel Harrogate. We'll sing after the diners have eaten.

<https://prideindiversityharrogate.com>

## **Craig's Kings and Queens of Rock Pop and Soul** **25th March**

Not many tickets left now but don't miss this opportunity. Some of us went to the last concert and it was absolutely fabulous.

Tickets are available from the box office on 0113 376 0318 or go to

<https://www.lcm.ac.uk/whats-on/lcom-contemporary-pop-choir/>

*For those of you going to the concert it would be lovely to meet for a drink on our way home. We will meet straight after the show at the Lord Darcy 618 Harrogate Road, Alwoodley, Leeds LS17 8EH. It's easy to find on the Harrogate Road.*

## **World Voice Day (WVD)**

**16th April**

Craig is Chairman of the British Voice Association, he is going to organise a workshop on the 16th of April for World Voice Day probably at the university in Leeds. This will be open to any members of our choir who'd be interested, along with members of other choirs that Craig is associated with. Keep this date free more information from Craig will follow.

## **West Yorkshire Pop Festival at Ossett**

**13th of June**

You'll need a packed lunch for the day we'll break for lunch at 1pm ish for half an hour or so. At 5pm we'll have another break, street type food will be available to purchase then.

The coach is booked, it will leave from York Place Car Park HG5 0AD at 8-40, that's opposite Knaresborough swimming pool. Please pay your £5 for the coach on the day. I'm going to presume you're going to travel on the coach unless you tell me otherwise.

## **East Coast Festival of Choirs and Voices (Bridlington)**

**7th November**

We will be taking part in this great festival. We will organise a coach to take us to Bridlington.

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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

**Sessions run from 19:45-21:30**  
**If you like a chat come early (19:00 – 19:45)**

## **February**

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 Concert at Trinity Church, Knaresborough 19:00*

## **April**

Thursday 2: Trinity Church Hall (End of Term)

*Thursday 16: World Voice Day – Workshop run by Craig – details to follow*

Thursday 23: Trinity Church Hall (Start of Spring Term)

## **May**

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

## **June**

Friday 5: The Crown Hotel Harrogate Pride in Diversity Gala Dinner

Saturday 13: West Yorkshire Pop Festival, Ossett

## **July**

Saturday 4: Barnsley Youth Choir 14:00 and 19:00

## **November**

Saturday 7: The East Coast Festival of Choir and Voices, Bridlington

## **Make Contact**

Please would you contact me if you can't attend a practice or if you have any questions or suggestions? [jbradburysharp@gmail.com](mailto:jbradburysharp@gmail.com) or ring me on 07926027676. You can also speak to other committee members on practice nights.

Thanks to those of you who are so helpful coming to practices early putting out chairs and setting up the room, many hands make a much lighter job. Thanks also to those of you who take a register now, also thanks to you all for showing such enthusiasm re attendance, your practise and commitment to the choir and the events we organise.

## **OTHER EVENTS YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN**

### **Barnsley Youth Choir Fundraising Concert** **4th July**

The amazing Barnsley Youth Choir will welcome the world famous TUKS Camerata from Pretoria, South Africa for 2 very special concerts. This is an incredible opportunity to see them at their very best performing music that they will use in the World Choir Games. BYC will also perform its competition sets too. These will be simply breathtaking concerts and funds raised will go towards them taking part in the World Choir Games - such a worthy cause.

The only place to buy tickets is on our Crowdfunder Project

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/help-byc-take-part-in-the-world-choir-games-2020>

*John and I have a couple of spaces in our car we will be going to the 2pm concert.*

### **York University Zamar Gospel Choir** **8th May**

Don't miss this! Zamar is a lively gospel choir made up of students from across York University and accompanied by a live band on Friday 8th May at Sir Jack Lyons concert hall, York University @ 19:30 Tickets are available from 01904322439 [boxoffice@york.ac.uk](mailto:boxoffice@york.ac.uk) [boxoffice@york.ac.uk](mailto:boxoffice@york.ac.uk)

### **Wild Voice Festival Kelmarsh Hall Northamptonshire** **29th-31st of May**

**Mark De Lisser** who arranged the version of Silent Night we did at Christmas and Beautiful Day will be one of the workshop leaders, I personally can't wait. Basil Meade from the London Gospel Choir and some of his choir will also be doing a workshop. I know some of you have already booked to go, John and I attended for the weekend last year it was fabulous! we're delighted to be going again. It would be great if a good group of us from Knot Another Choir could attend the festival. We can offer a lift to somebody to attend the festival.

Check out the new website <https://wildvoiceadventures.com/>

**FEVA: Knaresborough's Festival Of Visual Arts And  
Entertainment**

**9 Aug 2020 To 19 Aug 2020**

10-day annual festival of art, entertainment, music, shows, plays, dance performances, children's attractions, a free picnic, exhibitions and other events that turn this market town magenta! See 80 different events, workshops - something for everybody.

**Collavoce Collective**

**5<sup>th</sup> April**

A great concert for you to support to help the Friends of Harrogate hospital. The Collavoce Collective have a License to Sing on Sunday 5th April in The Crown Hotel, Harrogate. To mark the release of the 25th James Bond film, NO TIME TO DIE, Musical Director Catherine Field-Leather (M), invites you to join The Collavoce Collective Singers as they present NOW TIME TO SING. An evening devoted to the music of Bond. Collavoce will be joined by guest band The Radio 58 Collective, plus Eurythmia Ensemble. Begin your evening at 7.00pm with a reception, Prosecco and canapés, followed by the main feature at 7.45pm. All profit from ticket sales will go to Friends of Harrogate Hospital. Tickets £16 (includes a glass of Prosecco and canapés) Seating cabaret style.

Tickets from: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/book/event?eid=10434&>  
or phone: 07375 031507

**Vocalis sings The Food of Love**

**21<sup>st</sup> March**

Join Vocalis Chamber Choir and musical director Alexander Kyle for their spring concert The Food of Love in the warm and friendly atmosphere of St Mark's Church, Leeds Road, Harrogate on Saturday 21 March at 7.30pm. The inspiration for this programme is Purcell's If Music Be the Food of Love and the many wonderful choral pieces about food and love which musicians have composed through the ages. The programme includes English madrigals by Morley and Wilbye with pieces by Elgar, Sweelinck, Walton, Bruckner, Palestrina and Victoria, plus jazzy versions of the popular songs Let's Do It, Blue Moon and Smoke Gets in Your Eyes. Refreshments are available during the interval. Tickets are £12 and are available online at [www.harrogatevocalis.org.uk](http://www.harrogatevocalis.org.uk)