



## **BULLETIN #14 2020**

Hi All,

Well Thursday nights practice turned out to be an interesting experience! especially for those of you who haven't used an online meeting room before. Using Zoom meant that we could come together as a choir, how amazing it was when more and more faces started appearing. As usual Craig seemed to give us all a lift and judging by your comments it's just what you all needed, I think you all enjoyed seeing each other's smiling faces too. Just imagine the joy we'll feel when we can all get to sing together again.

For those of you who couldn't join us on Thursday please see the instruction's on how to load/use Zoom at the end of the bulletin.

We started with our usual warm up exercises, we sang Bella Mama as our warmup song. We had a good sing of Hold Back The River followed by some work on our new song Simply The Best. Craig suggested we work on this at home before next Thursday.

If you ever have any problems accessing sound files, please just let us know and John will always try his best to help you.

At the end of the rehearsal Craig sang and played his guitar, which I'm sure you all thoroughly enjoyed, it was a very meaningful song beautifully sung of course. Craig then volunteered Declan, in his absence, to do little something at the end of the next weeks practice, he also asked for willing volunteers to do a short performance at the end of our Zoom practices in the coming weeks. I've already had three offers, thanks to those people.

Thanks once again for your positive comments, messages and poems, we

love to hear from you. We do have a Knot Another Choir Facebook page and a Knot Another Choir members page too, if Facebook is something you enjoy of course.

I hope you're all well and coping in your own ways with your social isolation, it's very difficult for everybody not seeing friends and family and being so restricted as to where we can go. I know some of you like us, have family members working in front line jobs, it must be a worrying time for you? Also, I know we have quite a number of members who live alone, we're more than happy to have a chat and a catch up on the phone or email please always feel free to get in touch.

Here's one of the lovely poems we received from Sue Creeley last week

### **We'll get by with a little help from our friends**

**Sometimes life can really be pretty tough  
We have to deal with some horrible stuff  
Be sure, we'll get through the latest mire  
Cos we're all part of Knot Another Choir**

**We can try hard to learn each and every line  
Every breath, every pause, we can but refine  
While home, sing clear, sing strong, sing loud  
Let's really make Craig and Dec so very proud**

**We can't meet on Thursdays, just right now  
These Corona virus rules simply don't allow  
But we can be with other within our mind  
And there for sure some solace we'll find**

**Let's hope it's not long, till we'll meet up again  
Practising while at home honestly isn't in vain  
Then we'll laugh and possibly shed some big tears  
And we'll work hard to banish some of those fears**

**So let's all try hard to be the best brave we know  
The seeds of bright futures we can now surely sow  
But for now we'll just do as that lovely song ends  
We'll get by, with a little help, from all our friends**

To finish the bulletin here's a little bit of something to make you smile, we mustn't lose our sense of humour.

**🔔🔔🔔 BREAKING NEWS: PLEASE JUST BE careful** because people are going crazy from being in lock down! Actually, I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster while drinking coffee and we all agreed that things are getting bad. I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything. Certainly not to the fridge as he is acting cold and distant. In the end the iron straightened me out as she said everything will be fine, no situation is too pressing. The vacuum was very unsympathetic... told me to just suck it up, but the fan was more optimistic and hoped it would all soon blow over! The toilet looked a bit flushed when I asked its opinion and didn't say anything but the door knob told me to get a grip. 😬 The front door said I was unhinged and so the curtains told me to .....yes, you guessed it 😬.....pull myself together!

Look after yourselves. Julie.

Instructions for Zoom

1. For desktop/PC's download the 'Zoom Client for Meetings' application, available here; <https://zoom.us/download> or "Zoom Cloud Meetings" from the relative app store for your device

***PLEASE DO THE ABOVE WELL BEFORE 6PM SO YOU ARE ALREADY TO JOIN THE MEETING***

2. Run the app, click "Join a meeting" and enter meeting ID number [239868854](#) and your name and then click "Join" to enter the meeting room [at 6:00pm on Thursday](#) (if it asks you to share your camera or microphone then click yes/allow)

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