

BULLETIN #37 2020

This week

STOP PRESS - Zoom Thursday 12th November - Time changed from the usual 7.30pm to 6pm for week 1 only. The following remaining five Zoom sessions will all be at 7.30pm.

***Don't Stop Me Now* recording** - At the time of writing there were 32 hours and 29 minutes left to record the 2 videos of *Don't Stop Me Now*. The new deadline is **Sunday 8 October at 23.59pm**. I'm sure everyone has done their recording so there won't be any last-minute panics going on?! If you haven't done it yet, then don't forget to read all the guidance and use the right track – the one labelled “**Don't Stop Me Now - with Guitar Riff**” on the Members section of the website. Good luck everyone 😊



Thursday Zoom – Unfortunately, we had to cancel our planned live sessions up to Christmas. The good news though is that our Thursday Zoom session will continue this half term. Lots of us agree that it's worked out better than we might have imagined and whilst not a replacement for live singing it is definitely better than not singing at all, we'll look forward to having something of a Christmas flavour to things this term. So, if you haven't signed up yet then get in touch with Julie Bradbury-Sharp. It works out at just £3.90 per session which is an absolute bargain for an hour of entertainment on a cold Thursday night, complete with the enthusiasm of Craig and Declan, all our smiling faces, some great Quarantuners and some co-ordination challenging warmups.

We would really welcome anyone as a guest of the choir who wishes to join us (wherever they're from) for the next 6 weeks at a price of £20. This will

give them access to the scores and soundtracks for the songs. My sister will be joining us this time.

If you know somebody who would like to sign up, please ask them to send an email expressing interest to iwanttojoin@knotanotherchoir.co.uk



Great news from Julie Horsfield – Julie treated us to 4 very special poems on Quarantunes just before the half term break. This time she raised £50 from selling her books to KAC members. In total Julie H. has raised a whopping £870 for the NHS which is just brilliant well done Julie.

One to one session with Craig & Dec – Many of us have already taken advantage of the one to one sessions offered by Craig and Declan. They put their usual enthusiasm and fun approach into these sessions, you can learn something new at the same time and maybe just forget about the world for a while. What's not to like?

- If you would like some help with breathing or hitting those difficult notes or maybe you just want to work on a particular song to sing as a Quarantune, then Craig is offering 1-hour sessions for 50% of his usual rate. They are a bargain at £35. Make your bookings by emailing craig@livingvocally.com
- How about having a go at song writing or piano with Declan. He played a song he had written at the last live session in the Crown and it was fantastic. They can be taken Monday-Sunday 9:00am – 8:00pm. Declan's lessons are just £30. To book please email Declandaviesmusic@gmail.com

Raffle – You will have seen Jane's e mail about the virtual raffle that she is holding. This is a great idea and just shows that we can still do things, even though it must be done in a different way. There are some good prizes that might come in useful as Christmas presents and more importantly we will raise much needed funds for Yorkshire Cancer Care. The added bonus is that Jane gets her spare room back and we know how valuable they are at the moment.



To enter the draw please donate a minimum amount of £2 and no maximum!

Please pay your donation into the KAC bank account (details below) and reference with your name and the word RAFFLE.

Account Name: Knot Another Choir CIO
Account Number: 52537397
Sort code: 40-23-12

If you don't have access to on-line banking, then please send a cheque to:

Knot Another Choir
125 Manor Road
Knaresborough
HG5 0BB

Everyone who donates will have their name put into a hat which will then be drawn, each name drawn will be assigned a number between 1 and 30 until all 30 prizes have been allocated. The list of successful draws will be put on the members' section of the KAC website.

KAC Needs YOU - Request for Profiles & Quarantunes

We are lucky to have so many talented people in our choir and Quarantunes is a great way to perform something special to you in a safe space. Everyone enjoys this part of the Thursday Zoom and Craig & Declan just love introducing it. Have a go!



We have been putting profiles of our lovely members in the bulletin each week. It has been a great way to get to know more about fellow choirees, especially as we can't meet up (even at the Crown we couldn't do the social chat that we are probably all craving so much at the moment). It's a snapshot of you and there's no right answer to what to include – just tell us about yourself. Please send any profiles to Julie Bradbury-Sharp or have a chat with her first if you are not sure what to write.

Final thought for the day – Google is such a treasure trove of quotes and I can while away time searching each week for one that resonates. Thought this was a lovely way to look at things, particularly for a choir



Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul and sings the tune without the words and never stops at all.

Stay safe everyone

Sue x

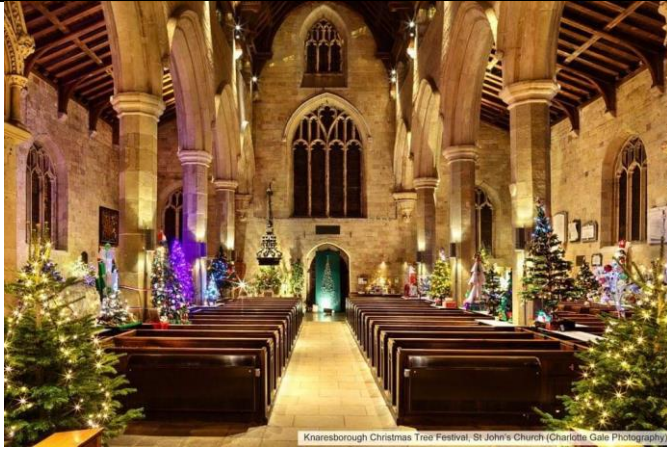
Christmas Tree Festival - St John's Church, Knaresborough

For those of you new to the choir this year, Knaresborough organisations are invited to decorate a Christmas tree and display it in St Johns Parish Church as part of Knaresborough's fabulous Christmas Tree Festival, this is normally held during the first week in December. It's a really gorgeous event. In the past, there have been several musical events in church during the festival week. We have thoroughly enjoyed singing at them in such a beautiful environment in previous years, let's hope in the years to come we'll do so again.

Due to Covid restrictions this year the Tree Festival runs from Saturday 12th December 2020 RIGHT THROUGH until Wednesday 6th January 2021 (excluding 25th, 26th Dec & 1st Jan)

The Festival will be open from 12noon until 4pm daily

The Festival will be free, but access will be exclusively through advance booking with **EVENTBRITE**



Over the last few years, our tree has featured Christmas tree decorations with our faces on! To that end, if you have joined choir this year and would like to be included can you provide me with a passport type photo of yourself please? Send them to janet_davis@hotmail.com

Here is this year's idea but they will have our faces on them



Thanks – Janet Davis

Changes to our Committee.

The committee are delighted to announce that Sue Creeley who has a wealth of relevant experience working with charities will be taking on the post of choir secretary. We're all very much looking forward to working with Sue in this role.

Julie Bradbury-Sharp on behalf of the committee.

Get in touch

If you've any questions, queries or comments please feel free to get in touch I love hearing from you. I will always respond very promptly. My email is jbradburysharp@gmail.com or ring me on 07926027676.