

KNOT

ANOTHER CHOIR

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It was nice to come to choir in daylight again, the trek down the drive not quite so perilous tonight! We welcomed Holly as our accompanist for the big event on Saturday, and a great job she did too! After a Pilates class for a warmup, we ran through our winning songs for the festival.

Steal Away

Craig wants us to show the emotion in this song, with us singing to God, the universe and everyone! For the final section we have violins



for Sopranos, drama queens for

altos and a tug of war in the tenors and basses. Craig reminded us (or



pointed it out to those of us who hadn't noticed before) that the Trumpets sound in the first run, and the trumpet sounds in the second.



Wanna dance with Somebody

We've not sung this since our moment of glory and it's clear we learned it well! Since Holly isn't used to Craig's "quirks" we will sing this in strict 4 time. Watch Craig!

Higher love

This is our chance to show we can have fun! After the triumphant arm raise at the end, watch Craig for when to bring your arm back down. If you panic and do it too soon, don't be tempted to raise it again!!! Don't want the audience to think you're waving!

Looking forward to filling the stage on Saturday when 82 of us will be performing (even if only 80 of us can sit down!)

See you there!! Lynne.

Thanks so much Lynne Sharp for offering to stand in for a while, or were you Julie'd. 😊

Hi All

We have a busy time ahead. Thanks for your offers of help help in manning our fundraising activities over the next few weeks.

On the 20th April we will have a stall at the Knaresborough Community Festival at St John's School. This community event gives us the opportunity to promote our choir by giving out leaflets, selling our merchandise and having a really good tombola.

On Wednesday 8th May, I have arranged for us to have a charity stall on Knaresborough Market, we'll be doing much the same as above. We'll be talking to the people of Knaresborough and letting them know about the choir, our fundraising, where we perform etc. We'll be able to encourage people to attend our concert on the Saturday the 11th May, by giving out leaflets. If a few of you would like to do a few hours either on the stall or giving out leaflets and chatting to people that would be brilliant.

On Saturday 11th May we will be holding our Spring Concert at Holy Trinity Church. We will have a raffle; our number board and a cake stall to raise money for the choir's trip to Limerick.

I am looking for people who can help man the stalls, bake cakes and donate prizes. As you can imagine, with two tombolas and a raffle in a very short time frame we will need lots of prizes, so please dig out the unused gifts you got for Christmas that would be brilliant. We'll need lots of more modest prizes for the tombola's, bags of sweets, bars of chocolate, soap etc.

If you can help with any or all of these, please have a chat with me, I will have a signup sheet. Your help and support for our amazing choir is always very much appreciated.

Thanks, in anticipation.

Julie Horsfield.
Trustee (Fundraising)

T-Shirts

We have decided it would be nice for the whole choir to have T shirts with the KnAC logo, as there'll be opportunities to wear them at our outdoor gigs in the summer at Newby Hall and Knaresborough Castle. These will be available as a pack of one black and one white T-shirt and can be worn with anything with a black and white theme, as we've done before as a summer uniform, that can be stripes, spots, patterns, floral or plain. The package of two T-shirts is £20.

Committee members Lynn Welsh, Liz Connell and Linda Hardy will be taking orders again on Thursday. **Could you order and pay asap as we need to get the**

order in as soon as possible as it's only 8 weeks until the Limerick trip. We will accept cash or card.

Gents Fruit of the Loom T-shirts are available in sizes from Small through to 5XL

Ladies Fruit of the Loom T-shirts, that have a V neck, are available in sizes from 8 to 18 you might need to purchase a size up as these are a small fitting.

Ladies who need a larger size, you will be pleased to know we have sourced the same style T-shirt in sizes 18 to 24

If any ladies would prefer a standard T-shirt style, please order a gentleman's T shirt.

If you'd prefer to choose your own style of T-Shirt you can get your own, any style - long/medium or short sleeved, V neck round neck square neck, and we will get them printed with the KnAC logo for you for just £4.00 each. If you bring T-shirts into choir to be printed, please make sure they are labelled in some way so they don't go astray.

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Ladies T-Shirt



Gents T-Shirt

T-shirts are also in black.

DETAIL OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Please put dates in your diary on your calendar or in your phone. You'd be surprised just how many of you say they forgot or didn't see things.

FYI We won't enter The Manchester Annual Choral Competition next year as they said its hard to get in two years on the trot and we did so

well as runners-up would we do that again? So we'll apply in 2026 for MACC.



So next year we will apply to The North Wales Choir Festival in Llandudno which is very civilised as it takes place on a Sunday afternoon. I've already had communication with the organisers, and they seem keen to have us. We'll try and fund a coach or coaches again. Get this date in your diary. Sunday February the 23rd.

Saturday 13th April - Harrogate Community Choir Festival at the Royal Hall.

This festival has been organised by Liz Linfoot of the The Stray Notes Choir and even though this is a non competitive festival, It'll be great to sing at The Royal Hall and sing to an listen to other fantastic local choirs. At the end of the evening we'll sing Thankyou For The Music, I only received the music today, so there wont be time to learn the harmonies but we've written out the words so that we can have a good singalong at the end of the evening.

It'd be fantastic to have a full theatre. Do encourage your loved ones to come and support you and the other brilliant choirs.

Here is the link to get [TICKETS](#)

Information

1. Please meet at 6pm at the Royal Hall Harrogate. There is no opportunity to warm up when we arrive. Please have a warmup at home or on your way to the Royal Hall. Keep hydrated throughout the day.
2. **We have to be at the theatre by 6pm and in our seats by 6-30 we are in The Dress Circle in seats A 1-15 we also have rows B,C,D,E seats 1-16 this year we'll keep these same seats all evening.**
3. **They have also allocated seats on Row J seats 1-6 for Beatrice Hann Karen Briggs, Shelley Moore and two carers. There is designated easier access at the back of the Grand Circle these allocated seats will give the girls the easiest access on to the stage.**
4. Please would you all wear your smart black, wear your choir jackets to arrive and depart, but remove to go on stage.
5. We are singing the Whitney set we sang in Manchester.

6. We are singing immediately after the half time break, we'll make our way to the stage straight after The Daytones have finished singing.
7. In the break get in your places as per the staging plan in an orderly manner. The staging has three very wide tiers so they'll fit two rows without being squashed. Also, we'll have two front rows on the stage.
8. Enjoy yourselves and give your all to the performance **with lots of movement smiles and expression.**

If for any reason you cannot attend on Thursday or Saturday please let me know ASAP.

11th May - Trinity Church Spring Concert

This is an important concert for us as we're trying to raise funds for Limerick so we need a big audience and people buying our cakes raffle tickets etc.

If you are new to the choir you'll need to work hard on these songs at home so that you'll feel confident enough to take part in the Concert.

We'll do a Muzudo survey this weekend please fill it in straight away.

SET ONE (40mins):

1. Don't Stop Believing
2. Africa
3. Deep River
4. Steal Away
5. Hello
6. Fix You
7. Stand By Me
8. Something Inside So Strong

SET TWO (40mins):

1. Simply The Best
2. Signed, Sealed, Delivered
3. Wanna Dance With Somebody
4. Can't Help Falling In Love With You
5. How Will I know
6. Sing
7. Get By With A Little Help from My Friends
8. Higher Love

Now we're an award winning choir and have had some great publicity on social media and local press, I'm sure everybody will want to see what we've been doing, with over 100 in the choir we should be able to attract a really big crowd. On this occasion we'll be raising money for KnAC for our Limerick Fund. I'll have more posters ready next week. I've already put a lot out but I'd still appreciate you getting more out maybe in places I haven't thought about.

After last weeks appeal I have had a very kind offer of help doing promotions, advertising, posters, social media, etc. Thanks so much Becca.



Dates for your 2024 Diary
SOME CHANGES PLEASE NOTE
New events are in red ink.

- ❖ **Saturday April 13th 2024 Harrogate Community Choir Festival at The Royal Hall. Please be at the theatre for 6pm.**
- ❖ **Saturday 20th April Knaresborough Connectors Community Festival at St John's School.**
- ❖ **Tuesday 23rd April change from normal choir night.**
- ❖ **Thursday 25th April NO CHOIR**
- ❖ **Wednesday May 8th KnAC stall at Knaresborough market**
- ❖ **Saturday May 11th 7pm for 7.30pm at Trinity Church Spring Concert to raise funds for our Limerick Trip.**
- ❖ **Thursday June 6th 2024 NO choir practice as our coach departs from York Place Knaresborough for the Limerick Sings Festival.**
- ❖ **Sunday 30th of June 2p.m. Singing at Knaresborough Castle.**
- ❖ **NEW**Saturday 13th July Concert in aid of helping to raise funds towards the repair of The Holy Trinity Car Park.**
- ❖ **Thursday 18th July. Last practice before our summer break.**
- ❖ **Saturday 20th July Singing at Newby Hall.**
- ❖ **Thursday 1st August 2024 Craig and Gemma's wedding day, Knot Another Choir will be singing with Craigs Contemporary Choir!!! The wedding will take place at Allerton Castle Knaresborough. Times to be confirmed.**
- ❖ **Thursday 12th September - Return to choir.**

- ❖ Saturday 9th November –Prep for Christmas Workshop @ Christ Church Harrogate.
- ❖ Saturday 23rd November – Ripon Cathedral Christmas Fare.
- ❖ NEW Saturday 7th December 7pm - We are delighted to be returning to sing at Knaresborough United Reformed Church (URC).
- ❖ Thursday 19th December 7pm for 7.30pm Christmas Concert at the Church of St Johns Knaresborough in aid of Henshaw's Arts and Crafts.
- ❖ **NEW**Sunday 23rd February 2025 North Wales Choir Festival Llandudno.**
- ❖ **NEW** Sunday 7th of September 2025 The Caravan and Motorhome Show at The Yorkshire Showground. Time TBC.**

And Finally,

*Music helps so many people get to
Where they are today. Whether it's
learning an instrument, singing in a
choir, listening to music in the car,
going to a concert with friends, or
playing the piano in peace, music
helps us survive. Music is one of the
great unsung heroes in life.*

Vaughan Fleischfresser

Julie.