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## ANOTHER CHOIR

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Not sure where to start this week!! Firstly, thank you Craig for recognising that some weeks summarising a rehearsal is hard work!!

So, a night of revelations - Craig's headset was broken (nothing an  Elastoplast wouldn't have fixed! If you know, you know) and then Tom's bombshell that he's leaving us for a fabulous job as musical director on a Caribbean cruise ship, how rude! We all wish you the very best Tom, you have been great!



Since we'll have a rehearsal with a different pianist next week, we ran through songs from the set for the concert, ones we know well. I won't go through everything (mostly because it's hard to remember) but key points:

**Deep River** - we need to start with the richer sound on "Deep", the one we seem to achieve on the second phrase. On "Lord" we need to look like a disappointed Waitrose shopper or like the Sopranos do when Declan joins us! This gives the word the strength it needs. Becca took over the solo for the concert and did a fantastic job, in politics it's called crossing the floor, not sure what the choral equivalent is!

**Fix You, Something Inside, Steal Away (full version) and With a Little Help** - we either know or have done recently.

**Simply the Best** - more oomph please! Natalie has kindly agreed to do the solo for this at the concert.

**Hello** - we reminded ourselves of this as it's been a while.

**Signed sealed delivered** - just remember how many babies there are and sing them with confidence! 2 in the first chorus, 1 in the second and 2 in the third.

**Sing** - watch the off beats on Away Away Away section. This piece is being sung down a tone for anyone practicing with the track.

We won't sing Can't Help Falling in love at the concert.

Next week we will be doing Africa, Wanna Dance and How Will I Know, maybe a little more on Sing! Hope I got all that right Craig!

See you next week.

Lynne

Thanks, and well-done Lynne.

A well-attended practice again with 86 of you there, fantastic! I hope you've all been busy selling tickets to next week's concert?

### **Tom and his Adventure.**

It has been lovely getting to know Tom and see him grow in confidence, I think we were all delighted to hear of his fabulous job offer. He'll be working on a cruise ship in the Caribbean where he'll be musical director for the ship's performances of Grease what a wonderful opportunity for him.

Tom won't be with us at next Thursday's practice as he has to go and sort out his visa, so we'll take a collection for him that's if you want to, of course collections are never compulsory? I'll get a card for you all to sign too.

He's playing at our concert on the 11<sup>th</sup>, so we'll be able to give him a proper little send-off speech then.

### **Limerick Sings Choir Festival 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> June.**

We still have a spare place for the trip due to a cancellation, we would love to fill this place so if you have a change of mind about joining us that would be brilliant. If somebody who is already booked to go would like to have a friend, partner or adult child accompany them that'd be great too. Do get in touch ASAP if you are interested in this offer.

### **Fund Raising at Knaresborough Market Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May.**

Thanks to you all for your generous offerings that you've brought in to sell on our charity stall at Knaresborough Market. The market is great fun so please, even if you're not helping, do come and have a go on the tombola or buy something nice. If you're a reader, we have some beautiful books and there are lots of soft toys etc. Its also a great opportunity to tell people about our concert on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

## 11<sup>th</sup> May - Trinity Church Spring Concert

We need helpers to build the staging, move furniture etc. Please would the gentlemen and partners of the choir come and help at the church at 6pm? John will need a couple of helpers to load the staging from the storage facility at 5-15pm we keep the staging in a garage off Hampsthwaite Road, Harrogate. If you scan the QR code it will open google maps with the location



Please would you call or email if you're happy to help with this.

Those who've offered to set up the cake stall refreshments and raffle table please be there at 6pm.

If you haven't filled in Muzudo yet, please do so as we need to know final numbers of singers to plan the stage layout.

If you have not volunteered to help, please arrive for 6-45 pm. We'll try and make our getting on to the stage as orderly as possible, we'll line up according to the plan in our rehearsal room and walk across to Church.

**Dress Code: Black formal outfits please with a bit of glamour/sparkle.**

Since our recent success at Manchester in March we've had some great publicity. 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.

**These are our songs for the night if you've missed a practice recently please watch the recordings. Please would you always let me know when you're 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 **ON HOLD FOR THE TIME BEING.**
5. How Will I know
6. Sing
7. Get By With A Little Help from My Friends
8. Higher Love

### DETAIL OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**Please be at practice on Thursday if you are singing on Saturday.**



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

- ❖ **Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup> KnAC stall at Knaresborough market**
- ❖ **Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> 7pm for 7.30pm at Trinity Church Spring Concert to raise funds for our Limerick Trip.**
- ❖ **Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 NO choir practice as our coach departs from York Place Knaresborough for the Limerick Sings Festival.**
- ❖ **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2p.m. Singing at Knaresborough Castle.**
- ❖ **NEW\*\*Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July Concert in aid of helping to raise funds towards the repair of The Holy Trinity Car Park.**
- ❖ **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Last practice before our summer break.**
- ❖ **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July Singing at Newby Hall.**
- ❖ **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> September – Return to choir.**
- ❖ **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November –Prep for Christmas Workshop @ Christ Church Harrogate.**
- ❖ **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Ripon Cathedral Christmas Fare.**

- ❖ **NEW Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7pm - We are delighted to be returning to sing at Knaresborough United Reformed Church (URC).**
- ❖ **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 7pm for 7.30pm Christmas Concert at the Church of St Johns Knaresborough in aid of Henshaw's Arts and Crafts.**
- ❖ **NEW\*\* Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 North Wales Choir Festival Llandudno.**
- ❖ **NEW\*\* Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 The Caravan and Motorhome Show at The Yorkshire Showground. Time TBC.**

*And Finally,*

**“SINGING IN A CHOIR IS AN ABSOLUTELY UNIQUE EXPERIENCE. IT IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN THE WORLD. WHERE ELSE DO YOU HAVE EVERYONE DOING THE SAME THING AT THE SAME TIME WITHOUT THE USE OF SPECIAL EQUIPMENT AND FOR A GREATER PURPOSE, AND NO ONE IS SITTING ON THE BENCH?”**

*Ian Loepky*

*See you all next Thursday*

*Julie*