

# KNOT

## ANOTHER CHOIR

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Hi everyone, another packed rehearsal tonight. We revisited “Hello” and it's testament to how well we learned it the first time around that we remembered it!

The key points Craig made tonight were to be aware of the words, both the annunciation and in some places, what they are, and to keep the beat rigid, particularly when the voices are all together. Think of a metronome beating away.

In the opening, Altos and tenors to imagine you're in a library, quite hushed but very clear pronunciation.

In Verse 1, please be aware that the sopranos have the tune over the top of all the other voices. Whilst Craig wants the energy in this section, try not to up the volume and drown the poor Sops out!

In Chorus 2, basses give it your all!! Sounds amazing!

In the bridge, lean into the “in” of “runnin”, and bounce off “out of time”.

So remember, “we're sorry for what we've done” first and “sorry for breaking your heart” second!!

We will go through this again on Saturday after we've learned our complicated dance routine in the morning!! Bring your legwarmers!

See you on Saturday

Lynne



Thanks Lynne



I'll get on with knitting my legwarmers.

A great practice with 98 of you there this week. Could I take this opportunity to thank you for this current excellent attendance, I know some of you didn't make it, but you all told me why, and I really appreciate that. It was lovely to sing "Hello" again and with Craig giving us some excellent tuition we soon sounded good.

I was so sorry I had to tell you the sad news that we won't be going to North Wales at the end of February. I was very sad as when I organise things I like them to go well for the choir, I felt your disappointment too. I'm sorry if any of you had booked accommodation. Below is the bulk of the email that the organisers sent.



*"Unfortunately, due to several reasons we have had to take the incredibly hard decision to cancel 2025's North Wales Choir Festival.*

*Apologies for the very disappointing news, we would love as much as you for the festival to go ahead this year as planned. However due to low choir entries in categories, it makes the competition a little thin. From feedback received, we believe the low entry numbers is a result of the choirs' financial pressures, and the late launch of applications opening, which was beyond our control, also a clash of dates.*

*We are keen for this long-established competition to continue though so have taken on board the feedback we've received.*

*We are also exploring some other exciting options for 2026 to help make the competition one not to miss in your choir's calendar.*

*Best Wishes*

*North Wales Choir Festival Team."*

### **Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> 3pm - Spring Charity Concert at Trinity Church**

This will give us something to work towards and hopefully be a bit of a replacement for North Wales, on this occasion we'll raise some money for local charities which is always appreciated. We'll have 5 weeks of practices after we have performed at the Harrogate Choir Festival to get up to scratch with a really nice set.

## **Saturdays Workshop to prepare for Harrogate Choir Festival at the Royal Hall**

Our workshop on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> January will start at 11am. You can arrive for 10-30 a.m to help set up chairs, staging etc if you're willing and able. Lunch will be at 1-00pm, the day will finish at 4-00pm. Bring your water bottles. Craig will be auditioning for soloists in "Never Forget" during the lunch break, good luck and thanks to those of you who are going to audition.



The day will be held at Christ Church Hall Harrogate where we will have a full day of working on our songs ready for our Royal Hall performance on the 8<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Harrogate Choir Festival Royal Hall**

We have been asked to arrive at the Royal Hall for a warm-up, stage settings and sound check from 4-30 pm to 5pm, it's essential that you are there for this time and are very punctual, no stragglers please. We will be required to return at 6-30pm to get in our seats ready for the start of the concert at 7pm.



### **HARROGATE COMMUNITY CHOIR FESTIVAL 2025**

DAYTONES HARMONY CHORUS  
HARROGATE MALE VOICE CHOIR  
KNOT ANOTHER CHOIR  
LOVE POP CHOIR

THE RYELARKS  
THE SKIPTON CHOIR  
THE STRAY NOTES  
YORKSHIRE VOICES

8th February 2025, 7:00pm

The Royal Hall, Ripon Rd, Harrogate HG1 2SY  
**Tickets:** Adults £13 Ages 16 and Under £6

**Tickets on sale:**  
Harrogate Theatre Box Office 01423 502116

Dress Code - Please wear your formal outfits in black for the concert as you would normally do at Christmas, this can include a little sparkle etc.

You can buy tickets for your friends and family from <https://www.harrogatetheatre.co.uk/events/harrogate-community-choir-festival/#book>

For those of you who have joined the choir this term, you might like to come and watch. There will be eight choirs taking part it makes a really entertaining evening.

calendar



## Dates for your 2025 Diary

PLEASE NOTE

*New events and changes are in red.*

- ❖ Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Full-day workshop at Christ Church Hall Harrogate so that we can be well prepared for the Harrogate Community Choir Festival.
- ❖ Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Harrogate Community Choir Festival showcasing local choirs at The Royal Hall Harrogate.
- ❖ **\*\* Cancelled \*\* Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2025 North Wales Choir Festival.**
- ❖ **\*\* New \*\* Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 3pm Spring Charity Concert at Trinity Church.**
- ❖ Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March practice
- ❖ Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March no practice.
- ❖ Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> no practice.
- ❖ 10<sup>th</sup> April Practice.
- ❖ 17<sup>th</sup> April no choir practice.
- ❖ Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May St Barnabas Church Weeton tickets sales will be helping to raise funds for The Forget Me Not Children's Hospice in Huddersfield who have been struggling lately.
- ❖ Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June we will perform two sets at Newby Hall at 1pm to 1-45 and 2-15pm to 3pm.
- ❖ Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2pm Afternoon concert at URC
- ❖ Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July we will again perform two sets at Newby Hall 1pm to 1-45 and 2-15pm to 3pm
- ❖ Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025 The Caravan and Motorhome Show at The Yorkshire Showground. Time TBC.
- ❖ Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025 anniversary concert when we have been invited to perform as special guests of The Dales Pop Choir at Ripon Cathedral.
- ❖ Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Afternoon concert at Starbeck Methodist Church.
- ❖ Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025 Christmas Concert at URC.

❖ Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025 Christmas Concert at Trinity Church.

*And Finally.*

*A Musical Note by David Ayres*

*Let music be your master of melody.*

*Let music be your key.*

*Let music be your teacher of tuning.*

*Let music be you and me.*

*Let music be your sensei of soothing.*

*Let music let you see.*

*Let music be your guru of groove.*

*Let music make you dream.*

*Let music be your guide to move.*

*Let music let you be.*

*Let music be your educator of expression.*

*Let music keep your steam.*

*Let music be your destroyer of depression.*

*Let music create your scene.*

*Let music be your professor of passion.*

*Let music pay your fee.*

*Let music be your tutor of truth.*

*Let music plant a seed.*

*Let music be all of these.*

*Let music set you free.*

*With Kind Regards Julie*