



Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir

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Newsletter – Summer 2010



From the Chairman

Much has happened since the last newsletter. The Celebrity concert in March and subsequent concerts with Karla Ladies at Thurlstone Church and Pennine Ladies at Huddersfield were all successful and well attended. We've received some excellent press reports and I would like to thank Chris Mills our Publicity Officer for all his hard work and for the production of our excellent website - www.mgmvc.co.uk. If you haven't visited this site yet, make it your next job!

Thank you also to the Social Committee for the Midsummer Madness Social - a great success due to your hard work.

Choir members and Friends of the Choir attended Noah's christening – thank you Melanie for inviting us to share his special event.

A major development for the choir diary in July and August was our involvement in the BBC production of a Symphony for Yorkshire. This televised event has been extremely well received. A programme showing the making of the film will be shown on TV in the autumn. It has been a great experience for the choir and can do nothing but enhance our reputation. Thanks to Terry Cater for all his hard work on behalf of the choir in this respect.

It is sad to report the death of Mrs. Campbell, a stalwart Friend of the Choir; we will miss her support and company. It was an honour to be asked to sing at her funeral service. Our condolences go to her family and our thanks for their generous donation to choir funds.

Thank you Terry and Janet, you have put a lot of hard work into the organisation of the eagerly awaited concert tour of Scotland.

This is my last newsletter as chairman as I will not be seeking re-election at the AGM in September. It is time for a change and new energy. Brenda and I thank you for your friendship and support during my time as Vice-Chairman and Chairman, and look forward to many more years of involvement with the choir.

John Hind

Symphony for Yorkshire Film

Several choir members enjoyed a trip to see a preview showing of the finished film in Leeds. The quality of the visuals was stunning and the soundtrack excellent. You can see the film for yourself through a link on the choir website.

We were also treated to a live performance from some of the excellent musicians that took part in the project and a film about the making of the symphony. This has been a great project that has galvanised so many people over a short space of time and has really invigorated our summer.

Members Update

A warm welcome to all new members. If you have any queries or problems please see any committee member – If we can help we will.

The demise of Dodworth Male Voice Choir was a sad event but I would like to thank them for offering us our choice of their music library and welcome those members that have chosen to join us. Thank you for playing such a full and active role as members of Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir.

A special recognition to our Librarian, Margaret Goldsborough for her valuable work in cataloguing this move into our library.



Norman Hodgkinson (Bass) and John Goldsborough (Baritone) have both been unwell in the past few months. I'm pleased to report that they are both recovering and would welcome a short visit or phone call. We look forward to their return in the near future.

John Hind

Durham Cathedral October 4th

Choir members who can't come to Scotland but would like to join us in Durham will be very welcome.

Opportunities to sing in such an iconic setting don't come often.

Please don't forget the Choir Annual General Meeting is on 6th September, 7:30pm at the Millhouse Institute

Forthcoming Concerts

September is a busy concert month for the choir, see details below or via the website for an up to date listing. These concerts should prepare us for our concert tour of Scotland and in Durham Cathedral on our return.



Our next concert will be on Friday 10th September at Ingbirchworth Chapel. We have a joint concert with Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band on September 25th in Penistone Paramount and a special concert has been arranged at Green Moor Chapel on October 16th with free entry for Friends of the Choir. After this concert there will be a Pea and Pie supper. Supper tickets £4.50 from Mac Moffat.

For other concerts please see the list below and update your diaries.

And Finally

I was getting in my car and this bloke said to me "Can you give me a lift?"



I said "Yeah. You look great, the world's your oyster. Go for it!"

Choir trip to North Wales 16th -18th Sept 2011



In view of the interest shown by the choir, I have provisionally booked all rooms in the Lion and Plas Isa hotels, the same hotels we stayed in last time. I anticipate the full cost of the trip will be approx £130 to £140 but with subsidies this will be substantially reduced.

During the Scottish trip I will be asking choir members to confirm the names of participants, though I shall not be collecting any money until after we come home. I can promise you an enjoyable and inexpensive weekend in Wales.

Terry Cater

Socials

By popular demand we will be having another Christmas Dinner on Friday 17th December at St. John's Community Centre, Penistone. The Social Committee has been busy and promise us a fricassee of fun-fuelled festivities.

Also in December Terry has arranged a trip to see Only Men Aloud at Preston Guildhall. We'll see if their tap dancing is up to Mike Goodwin's standard.

ENGAGEMENTS AND SOCIAL EVENTS – 2010

Dates for your diaries. Please try to attend as many as possible.

September 9th 2010	Thursday	Annual General Meeting - Millhouse Institute	7:30pm
September 10th 2010	Friday	Ingbirchworth Chapel - Proceeds in aid of Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice	7:30pm
September 21st 2010	Tuesday	Mapplewell Darby and Joan Club	7:00pm
September 25th 2010	Saturday	Penistone Paramount - joint concert with Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band	
October 1st 2010	Friday	Priestfield Church, Edinburgh - Joint concert with East Fife Male Voice Choir	7:30pm
October 2nd 2010	Saturday	Kinnoull Church, Perth	7:30pm
October 4th 2010	Monday	Durham Cathedral	1:30pm
October 16 th 2010	Saturday	Green Moor Chapel - free entry for Friends of the Choir	7:30pm
October 23 rd 2010	Saturday	Holmfirth - Joint concert with Holme Valley Singers	
November 19th 2010	Friday	Wedding - Ecclesfield Church	1:00pm
November 20th 2010	Saturday	Thurgoland Church – in aid of Help the Heroes	7:30pm
December 3rd 2010	Friday	Emley Church	7:00pm
December 17th 2010	Friday	Social - Christmas Dinner - St. John's Community Centre, Penistone	7:30pm
December 18th 2010	Saturday	St. John's Church Penistone - Christmas Concert with Penistone Ladies Choir	7:15pm
December 20th 2010	Monday	Millhouse Institute - Christmas Concert	7:30pm