

Spring Term 'B' 2018 NEWSLETTER



Well ladies thank-you for another fabulous term of fun and great singing! This has been an excellent term with new members joining all of our sessions; and the greater numbers give us such a good sound! We have mastered three very different pieces so far; classic Tamla Motown "Ain't No Mountain High Enough"; "You've Got A Friend" by the fabulous Carole King and "The White Cliffs of Dover" as part of our preparation for the Commemoration of the First World War Concert at Rothwell in November. I am always keen to hear ideas for new material that you would like to learn, so please keep those ideas coming. The first sessions of spring term "B" begin on 26th February at Bourne and we look forward to starting on some more fabulous new songs. **Please note that there is no Deeping session on Wednesday 28th February** as Andrew is on a training course. All other sessions start as normal next week.

Back Catalogue Catch Ups

As A Handful of Harmonies is now approaching its seventh birthday it is inevitable that new members who have joined us in the intervening years may have missed out on some of our earlier material. Help is at hand – we now run monthly catch up sessions which are enjoyed by new members and those more established members who want to refresh some of these songs, or maybe even learn a new singing part. These generally take place on the first Sunday in the month at Northborough Village Hall and cost £6. For more details on the forthcoming sessions and to sign up, please see the link: - <https://www.handfulofharmonies.co.uk/members/>

Maxey Open Choir

If you relish the challenge of a capella singing, 4-6 parts and singing as part of a smaller group then Maxey Open Choir is for you! We are moving from strength to strength but I have made a slight change following feedback from some choir members. The sessions now run from 7-30pm until 9-00pm at Maxey Village Hall every Thursday and the cost of each session is now £5. The content of these sessions will vary according to your requests, so if you want to come along and be involved we would love to see you there.

Show Choir

The next Show Choir is on 18th March at Northborough Village Hall. Registration is from 2-15pm and singing is from 2-30pm to 4-30pm followed by tea and cake if you want to stay for a social chat. There are still spaces available for new members who want to join - please email me or catch me at weekly sessions if you are interested. Anyone is welcome to come along for a trial session which costs £5. Individual sessions cost £6 or £60 for the full year membership; a saving of £12.

The full show choir schedule for 2018 can be accessed from the members' page using the link below: - https://www.handfulofharmonies.co.uk/members/?drawer2=s2member-files*Show%20Choir

Workshops

There will be two Easter workshops this Easter holiday however the previously advertised 11th April Workshop on the schedule has been replaced by the London “Les Miserables” Workshop and Show. This proved to be very popular and sold out quickly, although there are still a few tickets available for friends who would like to come and see the show. The remaining dates will be as follows: -

April 9th “Motown” 7-30pm to 9-30pm at Northborough Village Hall.

April 13th “Phantom Of The Opera” 7-30pm to 9-30pm at Langtoft Village Hall.

For information of all sessions, catch up dates and workshops please access the schedule from the link below: - <https://www.handfulofharmonies.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2018-Schedule-v2.pdf>

Harmonies Fees

As always – a new term means time to renew your fees again - these can be paid using any of the following options:-

Pay As You Go £20 for four sessions wherever you prefer to attend with no time limit.

Termly Membership £30 per term six sessions at any location.

Premier Membership £40 per term; attend as many sessions as you wish at any location.

Payments can be made by cash or cheque payable to “A Handful of Harmonies” to the bursar at weekly Sessions or BACS to sort code 09-01-28 A/C No 02424607.

Please quote your surname and first three letters of your location as a reference when using BACS e.g. SPA (Spalding) DEE (Deepings) BOU (Bourne). Don't forget we are now contactless too!!

Phantom Of The Opera and “Into The Phantom’s Lair” experience

I have organised a matinee coach trip on Thursday 31st May to see Phantom of The Opera with a cast Q & A afterwards. Places are still available for this and full details can be found here

www.handfulofharmonies.co.uk/events/phantom-of-the-opera-show-and-into-the-phantoms-lair-g-a-session/

Friends of A Handful of Harmonies

The Friends of A Handful of Harmonies tab on the website gives information about the work of this group please use this link: <https://www.handfulofharmonies.co.uk/friends-of-the-harmonies/> and take a look at the “Friends of” boards on display at each session for news of what is in the pipeline. Check out the details of a fabulous choral workshop with Caroline Sharpe and also our 3rd CD recording experience coming soon!

Andrew xxx

“The only thing better than singing is more singing”

Ella Fitzgerald.