

Christmas Concert

Date: Sunday December 13th 2009.

Venue: St Mary's Church Goudhurst.

Time: Rehearsal starts 3.00pm: Concert starts 6.30pm.

Concert dress: Ladies: red/green top – long black skirt; men: dinner jacket – white shirt with red/green bow-tie.

Changing facilities are available in the Village Hall (by the Pond). The Hall is locked at 6.00pm so please collect all belongings by that time.

Car parking: Please do NOT park in the Village Hall spaces, but use the public car park just below the Hall, or in the road in Back Lane behind the church.

Refreshments: Tea will be served by Jill and helpers in the Hall during the break in rehearsal.

Ticket sales: Would all members please try hard to sell as many tickets as possible before the Concert – every entry will help make a difference.

Extra rehearsal: Please note that an extra rehearsal will be held at Vale Royal Methodist Church (opposite the Old Post Office) on Friday 11th December at 7.30 pm. Anyone who will be singing in the concert is asked to please warn their Line Representative if they are NOT able to come to the Friday rehearsal.

Carols at Russell Holt and Halliwell:

Date: Monday December 14th

Venue: Meet at Rosset Holt at 6.15pm: sing from 6.30 – 7.00 pm.

Organisation: Please bring your copies of Carols for Choirs Book 1 (green) and Book 2 (orange).

Then, walk (or drive) to Halliwell for 7.15 pm: sing from 7.30 pm for 30 – 45 minutes. Halliwell then treats us to coffee and mince pies with the Residents.

(Prior to this, at about 5.30pm, a small group will sing for our Honorary President – Roy Douglas – at his home in Eden Road: please note that this will be outdoors, so torches and suitable clothing will be needed). Derek Watmough, our Vice-President, will be with us to lead the singing.

Helen McNab (soprano) is kindly organising this event, so please let her have your name if you can take part. She can also answer any other queries you may have.



Carols in Chapel Place:

Date: Saturday Dec 19th 2009 from 2.00 – 4.00 pm

Venue: The Chapel Bar – Chapel Place.

Dress: Informal.

Organisation: This will be a very informal carol singing – and Suzie Duke is kindly taking charge of organising the event. Any members wanting to join this seasonal fun are invited to contact Suzie, and sign-up.

Looking ahead to 2010

January 16th Annual Dinner

This will be held in a private room at The Beacon Hotel (Rusthall) at 7.30pm.

We welcome as many members as possible, both old and new – and an application form can be obtained from Roy Dunstall, RTWCS Chairman. (It can also be downloaded from our web-site).

Please return the completed form with your cheque to Roy Dunstall or Marion Chase by January 5th at the latest.

April 18th Beethoven Spectacular

Rehearsals begin at St. John's Church on Monday January 4th.

July 3rd Summer Sing

Rehearsals will start after the Easter break, and will take place on the following dates:

May 10th – 17th – 24th

June 7th – 14th – 21st – 28th

Still further ahead: 2011

May Bank Holiday weekend 2011 will see the Centenary of the Wiesbaden Lutherkirche – the home of the Bachchor with whom we are twinned. Plans are underway for us to travel to Wiesbaden for a joint concert over the May 2011 bank holiday weekend. Those members who have previously visited Wiesbaden will know just how warm the welcome is which always awaits us there – so please pencil this date in your diaries as soon as possible. More information in due course.

News of the Committee

Our General Secretary, Hilary Weston, tendered her resignation on November 1st. Your Committee has therefore co-opted Trevor Hurrell to the post of Acting General Secretary pending review by the Members at a future AGM or EGM.

Trevor joined the Society in September 2006 upon retirement from a career in business, and has been an active member the Society since that date.

A very merry Christmas

Your Committee would like to wish all the Society's members a very merry and blessed Christmas, and a very happy and tuneful New Year.

Thanks to everyone for their contribution in 2009, and with hopes for another wonderful season in 2010.