

**Rehearsal Schedule for RTWCS: March - June 2011**

- From now through until our Summer Concert at the end of June, there is a very tight schedule - with a lot of public holidays in the calendar!
- We have had to fit in rehearsals as best we can, in some cases in other venues than St John's.
- Please would members note dates and venues carefully and please make their best efforts to attend.
- Members are reminded that for reasons of musical balance, if not singing in the concert, it's helpful if they withdraw from the last one or two weeks' rehearsals.

Below is a full list of rehearsal dates. Except where indicated otherwise rehearsals are on Mondays in St John's Church Hall from 7.30 - 9.30pm:

<b>MARCH:</b>	21 <sup>st</sup>	
	28 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>APRIL:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup>	
Friday	8 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am: start of dress rehearsal at Assembly Hall
		<b><u>Seating from 09.30am</u></b>
	11 <sup>th</sup>	King Charles the Martyr Hall: Warwick Park
	18 <sup>th</sup>	King Charles the Martyr Hall: Warwick Park
<u>Tuesday</u>	26 <sup>th</sup>	St John's Church (not hall)
<b>MAY:</b>	<u>Bank Holiday</u> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vale Royal Methodist Church
	9 <sup>th</sup>	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	
<b>JUNE:</b>	6 <sup>th</sup>	
	13 <sup>th</sup>	
	20 <sup>th</sup>	
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	dress rehearsal: time tba at St John's Church

- Members are reminded that this year there will be no additional subscription for the Summer Concert – which will take place on June 25<sup>th</sup>, and which has been sponsored by Richard Gosling's family in his memory.
- All will be welcome to the rehearsals for this Concert (starting on April 11<sup>th</sup>) – including members who don't plan to come to Wiesbaden in May.

**Further ahead:**

- The 2011 – 2012 Season will kick-off as usual in September: TWO important dates for your calendars/diaries are:
  - September 5<sup>th</sup> 2011: first rehearsal of the new season at St John's.
  - September 6<sup>th</sup> 2011: Annual General Meeting of the Society (**at Vale Royal Methodist Church**)

## **Other News:**

- Our ***Saturday Singing School*** has been a great success. Many thanks to those who took part for their enthusiastic attendance; to all our helpers; and especially to Richard, Suzie and Victoria, without whom it would not have happened. We hope to build on this achievement by organising further sessions in the future.
- ***Concert Dress:*** after further democratic consultations it has been decided that the dress code for the April 10<sup>th</sup> Dvorak Concert is to be:
  - Ladies: black skirts or trousers, black long-sleeved tops.
  - Gentlemen: dinner jackets or dark lounge suits, black bow tie, white shirts.An announcement will be made later as to dress code for Wiesbaden, after consultation with our *Bachchor* friends.
- ***Message from our Treasurer:***
  - A final reminder to anyone whose subs aren't fully paid up: subs are now overdue, so please have a word with Michael (our Treasurer) if you think you might not be up to date.
  - He will be applying to HMRC for our Gift Aid refund soon, so if you pay UK tax and haven't ever completed an RTWCS Gift Aid form, please do so now - forms are available on the table in the foyer.
  - It is timely to give members a further reminder that the Treasurer has announced his firm intention to stand down at the end of the current season. The post will then fall vacant, and will need to be filled at the latest at the September 2011 AGM. All members are therefore again asked to consider whether they, or another member they know, would be suitable and willing to serve in this Office. Michael will be happy to answer any queries you may have about the nature of the post, and any nominations or volunteers should make themselves known to the General Secretary, or to any other Committee Member.
  - Our webmaster Gavin Grant has also requested that if any member would care to offer their services to assist with maintenance of our website, they should please contact him directly.
- ***Message from our Librarian:***
  - Suzie asks that members please get into the habit of returning scores WITHOUT FAIL to her before the concert if they are not singing in it – i.e. at the last rehearsal they attend.
- ***Wiesbaden Schedule:***
  - For those travelling by coach, the tentative time of departure is expected to be at 06.15am on Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> from Crescent Road (near TW Police Station).
  - Please plan accordingly, although we may be able to announce a slightly later departure nearer the time.

## **STOP-PRESS !!**

Our Treasurer, Michael Selway will not be able to sing with us on April 10th – instead he will be trying to complete the 26-mile Brighton Marathon to raise money for underprivileged children in London. If anyone would like to sponsor him, please speak to him directly, or visit his fund-raising page at [justgiving.com/rag22](http://justgiving.com/rag22)