

ALTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

Minutes

Present: Susan Elverson, Sue Foulkes, Judy Burt, Robin Sturdy, Gill Marsden, Sally Bye, Carolyn Robson, Freda Lemmon and Rosie Ingrey

Tuesday 23rd October 2012 8.00 pm

1A Upper Neatham Mill Lane, Holybourne GU34 4EP

Item	Topic	Action	
1	Apologies		
2	Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were read & amended: overall profit last year was £1,566, not £566. Sorry! (RI)	
3	Matters Arising		
4	Correspondence	Letter of thanks received from "Sing for your Life". Letter of thanks received from Hampshire and Isle Of Wight air ambulance. Letter from Holybourne Singers suggesting that Alton choirs combine their insurance. It was agreed that this was not a good idea. Letter from Action Aid informing us of our new boy, Mufizu Yahaya. The choir will vote at the AGM if we want to continue our sponsorship. It was suggested that if sponsorship continues, someone from the choir takes on the job of corresponding with Mufizu. Invitation to get a team together for Alton Town Mayor's Quiz. We cannot. Email from Pat Harris acknowledging that we are not performing at the Yuletide Festival.	To be brought up at the AGM
5	The Golden Pheasant, Farringdon 20 th December	We propose singing here for our last meeting of the year, instead of The White Hart.	Gauge interest of choir on Thursday
6	Orchard House 13 th December	Orchard House would be delighted for us to sing there. Possibility of singing at Orchard House at 7, then back for a rehearsal at 8pm.	Gauge interest of choir on Thursday
7	New Year Ceilidh	Bentley Hall is booked. Band is booked.	Details to choir on Thursday
8	Emergency Contacts	It was decided that email was the best way of alerting people to any emergency.	Reiterate to choir on Thursday
9	Post choir announcements	Winter Concert tickets go on sale after half term. As many choir members as possible to support. Choir need to be prompt in reserving tickets: email Gill asap! Emergency contacts. New Year Ceilidh Orchard House Golden Pheasant Drum up support for Hampshire Carols day. Portugal trip – final prices etc Propose date for CD recording	Sally Gill

	AGM	Charities for next year: Key Changes and Emmaus. Agenda sent to committee. Mufizu Action Aid No raffle	Gill to send agenda to choir
10	November Workshop 10 th November	Discussed the pros and cons of having a recording of the Hampshire Carols day. Carolyn to speak to the Nick Sowden before a decision can be made. To date, only about 30 people have secured their places. Carolyn to arrange to borrow and return urn and four air-pots. Music printing: Carolyn and Sue to contact Jerry Cullum, IKC at Treloars College.. Readings for the afternoon performance. Lunches for tutors to be organised by Sally. Judy to contact Alan Wilkins (Silverlea Cakes and Bakes) concerning cakes. Freda to organise plastic folders to keep music, maps etc together on the day. Proposal to book a table at Monty`s for about 20 after the event. Thursday 8 th November in the morning, to fill envelopes and prepare papers for the event. Ask all participants to bring their own mug.	Carolyn Sally Judy Freda Gill Sue
11	Christmas Lights 23 rd November	A handful of familiar, upbeat carols to be sung.	Sally
12	Winter Concert 1st December	Flyers and posters complete and look fantastic; ready for distribution after half term. Tickets for sale after half term but can be reserved via email to Gill from this Thursday.	Gill
13	Portugal	Carolyn offered to boost numbers by asking a few relatives to join the party, bringing the number of singers to 28. Would prices be better Sunday to Thursday?	
14	Financial Report inc. Charity Balance	Over £6,000 in the bank. Treasurer`s Report on the Account to 31 st August 2012 read by committee. No charity income yet.	
15	Membership	No change.: 65 Waiting list: 19 Weekly attendance: 42-52	
16	AOB	Discussed financial feasibility and work needed to organise another CD recording for the choir. Carolyn to look at potential dates for the choir. First session 19 th January? Gill to book church, if date is acceptable. Propose an extra rehearsal before the Winter Concert. Robyn to find out whether the Quaker Meeting House is available on Monday 26 th or Tuesday 27 th November.	Gill Robyn
17	Date of next meeting	Tuesday 22nd January 2013 Judy Burt`s house	

