



Registered Charity No. 1162703

Llysfaen Singers' News



Newsletter 5 24th March 2021

A message from the Chair

Dear Choir members and friends,
The more eagle-eyed of you may have spotted some additional logos at the bottom of this newsletter. I am absolutely delighted to inform you that we have been successful in our recent application for two grants from Ty Cerdd. One of the provisions for receiving the grants is that we need to use these four logos on all our publicity material, including our website. Further information on how we propose to use the money is outlined in the next column.

Next term

We resume next term on Wednesday, April 21st. Again, there will be four weeks of rehearsals via Zoom followed by a social event on May 19th. At the recent committee meeting, we decided to keep fees at the current lower rate of £20 per term. Payment should be made in the normal way directly into the choir's bank account by Monday, April 19th. Llysfaen Singers' bank details are: sort code 20-18-27, account number 83311279.

A huge thank you to you all for continuing to support our lovely choir through the current pandemic and for your welcome ideas on how to keep our music making going. I hope you all have a very Happy Easter.

Stay safe, stay singing

Joanna Burdett

Chair Llysfaen Singers Committee

Social events

Our Easter Quiz was well attended and we answered all Easter related questions, including those on chocolate! (Who knew there was so much to know about chocolate?!) Thank you to Kath for organising the event and to all the participants. Congratulations to the winners whose photographs, with their prizes, can be found below. Our next social event will hopefully be an outside event (weather and restrictions permitting) on Wednesday, May 19th. Make a note in your diary! More details to follow from Kath nearer the time.

Survey

How do you feel about returning to in-person rehearsals? The committee would like to know so that we can put in place the right procedures to help you feel confident about coming back. Please could all current members take 5 minutes to complete the survey **no later than Monday, April 12th**. Please click on the link below to complete

<https://www.makingmusic.org.uk/return-rehearsal-survey>

You will need to input the name Llysfaen Singers into the first box and the rest is easy!



Grant funding

We have been successful in our applications for 'Resource' and 'Rescue' grants. The 'Resource' grant of £507 will be used to purchase a wide range of PPE for when we return to rehearsals in the Memorial Hall. This includes cleaning and sanitising products, masks, mask brackets, screens for Tom and Gwen, fans for ventilation etc.

The second grant is a 'Rescue' package of £2000 which goes towards the shortfall of income we have sustained from lower fees and concert revenues during the pandemic.

Similarly, we have recently received £562.49 from HMRC in Gift Aid for the year 2019/20.

The very welcome additions to our bank balance mean that, thankfully, we are now able to top up our reserve balance in the bank ready to start in-person rehearsals as soon as possible.

I am sure you would like me to say a big 'Thank you' to Carolyn, our Treasurer, for her work on the successful applications.





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Easter Quiz Participants



The Prize Winners



Carol Barrett



Cath Evans



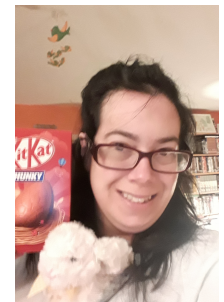
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