# Newsletter

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#### Welcome back!

After a hot and sunny summer it's nice to be back singing all together again.



#### **Autumn term dates**

8 September – 1 December 2022 with a half term break on 27 October (no rehearsal)

We will continue to space the chairs out for your comfort and safety.

## **Subscriptions**

It's a 13 week term so subscriptions for this term are £45.50. Prompt payment really helps to keep the choir running smoothly so please arrange to pay your subs either online using BACS or using the post:

#### Paying online:

Account: **62367080** Sort code: **60-15-07** Please include your full name as a reference so we know who has paid!

#### Paying by post:

Please send your cheque to: The Treasurer, Three Rivers Community Choir, Collaroy Cottage, Collaroy Road, Cold Ash, Thatcham, RG18 9PG

#### **Committee changes**

Lucy Rumens has kindly volunteered to join the committee to assist with social media via Facebook and Instagram. Hopefully this will raise our profile and help our new member recruitment drive and with publicity before concerts.

**Robert Meyer** has kindly agreed to take on the role of Vice Chairman.

### **Farewell to Angie**

Angie and her family moved to Shropshire over the summer. Angie was one of the cofounders of the choir and so we wanted to thank her for all her energy and engagement over the years. On behalf of the choir we sent her some flowers and a beautiful hand-crafted mug by a local potter/artist with the choir name and a beautiful cat motif.

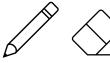
Choir members are invited to sign a large card at our rehearsal this week. We will certainly miss Angie but wish her all the best for the future.

#### Music

Managing our music library was one of the tasks Angie took on. Brenda and Caroline are now taking on the challenge of doing this.

The committee feel it will be easier to manage if we do away with numbered copies aligned to your membership number and folder. This means that you could have a different copy each time.

Please only use pencils only to mark up the copy you are using and erase any markings before you hand it back.



#### **Recruitment drive**

We'd love to welcome new choir members so if you know anyone interested in joining us please do bring them along. And don't forget, the first session for new members is **free**!

# **Quiz night – 15 October**

We are delighted that quiz master Brin kindly has kindly offered to set the questions and compere our quiz night on **Saturday 15 October** at **7.00pm** for a **7.30pm start** at Acland Hall, Cold Ash. This lively and fun event includes a beef chilli/vegetable curry supper with jacket potatoes. Please bring your own drinks.

**Tickets** are just **£8** and all are welcome. We'll let you know when tickets are available.

# Hold the date for our Christmas concert on 3 December

Is it too soon to talk about Christmas? We have hired **St John's Church** on **Sunday 3 December** for our traditional Christmas concert and readings so please hold the date. The concert will start at **7.30pm** and last for approximately one-and-a-quarter hours with refreshments after the concert.

Dress code will be our traditional black outfits with accents of silver to help us sparkle.

### What we will be singing this term

3 December isn't too far away so Ann plans to start the term with:

Sing Gently – Eric Whitacre

Gloria – Vivaldi

Virgin's Slumber Song – Reger

We Need A Little Christmas

#### **Photography**

Do you know anyone who would be able to take photographs for us at our events?

Perhaps a fledgeling David Bailey or just someone who does it for a hobby? If so, please speak to a committee member.

#### AGM on 20 October

Our rehearsal will finish slightly earlier than usual to allow us to hold our AGM.



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