

NEW MUSIC MAKERS COMMITTEE MEETING – 3rd September 2024

Present:

Eric Gerrey (Chairman), Sarah Turl, Eunice Deuchar, Sharon Thomas, Jerry Gamble, Rebecca Williams, Margaret Ballard, Gen Marsh.

1. Apologies

Naomi Holloway.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed by Eunice and seconded by Rebecca. Agreed by all as correct.

3. Matters Arising

Photos for the website still ongoing - Rebecca to contact Louise for photos to send to Emmy. **RW**

Eric to speak to Lillian about leaving early/times. **EG**

Rose Theatre option for the summer concert - Eric is still waiting on a reply back.

John Lewis - Eric is meeting on Thursday to discuss details - where to sing, numbers etc. **EG**

Haskins 19th, 20th December - they will confirm this month.

Rebecca will take over the booking of venues and halls from Eric. **RW**

Diary dates for the choir - it was requested that the choir is informed of main future concerts well in advance, to book holidays around.

Recruitment - we have 45 members at the moment and still need men. This is ongoing with existing flyers being distributed, but it was decided that we would do a new year push on recruitment, with new cards to be printed.

4. Correspondence

Nothing at present.

5. Finance

£6924 total in bank compared to £6850 last July.

It was noted that no payments went out in August except to Lock N Store, which is now under a new name with increased fees of approx £6.

The Christmas booking of Hedge End Village Hall has not yet been paid, Sharon will contact the treasurer, as Jane Walsh is leaving and previously handled everything. **STh**

Profits from the Summer Spectacular, were discussed and compared to last year.

6. Publicity

Nothing to report presently.

The Christmas concerts colour will be gold.

Gen to ask who has not got a gold top at rehearsals.

GM

7. Website and Facebook

The website still needs updating - Emmy is back soon re photos.

Emmy to add concert dates for 2025, and take down the Summer Spectacular poster, from the front page. Sarah to speak to Emmy.

STu

Concert Dates:

14th December 2024 Christmas Concerts

7th June 2025 Summer Concert

19th July 2025 Summer Spectacular

8. Local Vocals

A point to clarify to all is that local vocals are affiliated to the choir, and can rehearse in the hall after our main rehearsals, until 10pm on Thursdays.

It is going really well, 8th October has been booked by Alston House Eastleigh, who are very keen.

It was decided to give out the books for practise, but they must be returned in the following week(s). Names to be put on the front cover, and notes can be made inside. We can send out pdfs of the words as well.

9. Forthcoming events

There will be a social event in November 2024 on either Saturday 2nd or 6th - subsequently decided on 16th November.

A vote will be taken for the activity and food – Skittles, Shuffleboard or Beetle Drive.

Eric to cook or bring your own.

Rebecca to check Hedge End village hall is free, and book - 16th November 7-11pm at £20 per hour.

RW

11. Choir welfare

There is nothing ongoing. Everyone is reminded to make sure each month that there is nothing arising.

ALL

12. AOB

Eric will not be at rehearsals on 19th and 26th September, Sarah will do notices and lead the birthday singing.

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Saturday 4th January 2025 was proposed as a date for a committee meal with other halves. Different venues were suggested and Gen will email the menu from a restaurant in Bishops Waltham.

GM

Proposed Committee meeting dates for 2024:

Tuesday 1st October

Tuesday 5th November

Tuesday 3rd December

Meeting closed at 9.20pm