

# Songbirds Newsletter - March 2022

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This is just a short update - mostly consisting of reminders of key dates and of events that are in the pipeline. It is also a reminder that while we are now back up to normal rehearsal length and Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted by the Government, the virus has not gone and, in fact, is currently on the increase again. We no longer open all the windows in the Church on Thursday evenings but we do open some of them and we do space out our chairs for rehearsals. It is still important for us all to be careful and to look after ourselves and our fellow members as much as we can.

Why didn't the Easter egg cross the road? Because she wasn't a chicken yet!!

## Easter Fundraiser

As ever, the year is hurtling along and Easter will be upon us in no time at all! Our last rehearsal before Easter will be on **April 7th** and the committee would like to suggest that we finish a little earlier than usual (about 8.30pm) and enjoy **a few fund-raising games with an Easter theme!** This will help us raise some money to share with our charity and should be a fun event on which to finish the current term.

Similar to our Christmas event (but with more eggs) - there will be opportunities to spend £1 or more on a few games, an Easter Bonnet competition and some hand-made gifts so please do bring some change with you to rehearsal on that evening.

There will be a prize for the best Easter Bonnet design and it will only be a £1 to enter (what a bargain).

How do you catch the Easter Bunny? Hide in the bushes and make a noise like a carrot!!

## Spring/Summer Concert June 30th

We return to rehearsals on **April 21st** and will meet each Thursday up to our concert on **Thursday June 30th** (with a 'dress rehearsal' on **Wednesday 29th of June**). This gives us 10 rehearsals in total so we have some hard (but fun) work ahead of us. It is really encouraging that sections are beginning to arrange separate rehearsals to help consolidate our work during the Thursday evenings.

## Future Dates and Events

### Car Rally

After the success of our Car Rally/Treasure Hunt last September, the committee is planning to hold another such event on a **Sunday in May or June**. Alison Roberts will again provide us with a great afternoon's entertainment. As soon as a date has been confirmed we will circulate it. Those of us who took part in last year's event enjoyed ourselves very much - discovering new routes around the area and being challenged by clues that demanded careful observation of our surroundings. There is no time pressure involved at all as the winners are not the first to finish but the ones with the most correct answers.

What is the Easter Bunny's favourite kind of music? Hip-hop!!

## Chatsworth Winter Trip

The idea of going to Chatsworth House for the Christmas Event which is held each year seemed popular with members after it was mentioned in the last Newsletter. If there is to be a Songbirds and friends trip to Chatsworth this coming winter then preparation will need to start sooner rather than later in order to get tickets and a coach for the event. It would be a whole day out and members could bring friends and/or family along too.

It would be really helpful to find out from members quite soon if they are interested in this trip for October/November 2022 so that more detailed information and coach and ticket costs can be identified.

Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Harvey.

Harvey who??

Harvey Good Easter Everyone!