

WIMBORNE CHORAL SOCIETY

(Reg Charity No;1072276)

NEW MEMBERS INFORMATION & RULES OF THE SOCIETY

Welcome to Wimborne Choral Society. We hope that you will enjoy singing with us. The information supplied below is intended to help you find your way around in rehearsals and concerts and to identify members you may wish to approach for assistance or with ideas. In the first instance, get to know your Voice Rep. who will be pleased to help you.

Membership

Membership of the Society is open, without audition, to anyone with an enthusiasm for choral music, subject to a maximum of 115 persons and to the need to maintain a balance between the four voices.

Subscriptions

The annual subscription is currently £65.00 payable in full at the beginning of the season, following the AGM

Rehearsals

Rehearsals are usually from 8.00pm to 9.30pm on Thursday evenings in the Methodist Church in Wimborne. A rehearsal schedule is provided for each concert. Please arrive in time to receive any information. At the first rehearsal for a new concert it is important to arrive on time to receive or buy scores .

Please note

In order to sing in a particular concert, it is required that a member attends a minimum of two -thirds of the rehearsals for that concert. Exceptions will only be made in extreme circumstances. **Attendance at the final rehearsal (tutti) is obligatory** and no exceptions can be made for this.

Seating Plan

It is essential that all singers should have a clear view of the conductor and that voice parts should be balanced to provide the best possible sound. Wherever possible, singers should be arranged by height. Please help the Concert Co-ordinator and your Voice Rep by sitting where advised. There are no reserved places. The Musical Director is the final arbiter on seating.

Concerts

Please arrive at the concert at least 15 minutes before the start time to facilitate moving on stage in an orderly way as instructed by the Concert Co-ordinator. Once you are on stage, there should be no talking or moving around. No bottles of water should be taken on stage. During the performance, keep good discipline by standing and sitting quietly and in unison at the appointed places or at the conductor's signal.

Concert Dress: Ladies Full length black skirt or trousers (not jeans) and black top (not short sleeves), black shoes. Modest Jewellery.

Gentlemen Black Dinner suit, white shirt and black bow tie, black shoes.

Everyone wears a red buttonhole provided by the Society.

Members will be given a black folder in which to place music during concerts. The buttonhole and folder remain the property of the Society and should be returned if a member leaves.

Please ensure that all scores are returned promptly at the end of each concert.

At all times please help to publicize concerts and sell tickets.

Musical Director	Christopher Dowie	01202 882083
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Committee

Chair	Marion Brown	01202 848250
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Secretary	Rose Johnson	01258 837274
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	Lynnet Williams	01202 888376
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Making Music Rep. / Webmaster	Tony Britnell	01202 884207
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Friends Secretary	Jean Harvey	01202 877008
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