ASHFORD CHORAL SOCIETY

Founded: 1857 Conductor: Matthew Raisbeck Chairman Dominic Urand - Secretary : Virginia Brown Newsletter: February 2025



At a recent committee meeting a whole series of exciting new developments and dates was discussed and we wanted to share these with members as soon as possible.

Change of concert venue – 22nd March 2025

The March concert will now take place at Wye Church on Saturday 22nd March at 7.30 pm. We have taken this decision owing to the ongoing lack of heating in Willesborough Church.

Posters and tickets for the March concert will be available shortly.

Quiz night – Friday 16th May 2025

After the huge success of last year's quiz night, Manou and Rachel have agreed to run another event – again hosted by the indefatigable quiz master, Phil Sibbald. This will take place on Friday 16th May at Willesborough Church. Doors will open at 7pm for 7.30pm start.

Tables of 6 - £6 per person, bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Book your table: 07733 734701 rachelcook234@gmail.com

Singing day – Saturday 7th June 2025

ACS will host members and other singers from the area at a singing day on Saturday 7th June at Willesborough Church. Doors will open at 10 am, with singing from 10.30 am. Please bring your own picnic lunch . In the afternoon we will sing through what we have rehearsed, finishing by 4 pm.

The focus of the Singing Day will be English romantic song. We will be using English Romantic Partsongs (OUP), which includes Top of Form

classics of the genre as well as lesser-known gems.

New Season – please save the dates!

The following dates have already been booked for the 2025–26 Season:

- Concert at Wye Church, Saturday 22nd November;
- Annual carol concert at Willesborough Church, Saturday 20th December.

Become a Friend

Friends of the Ashford Choral Society play an invaluable role and their annual contribution is greatly appreciated.

greatly appreciated. If you would like to become a Friend of the Society, please let us know. Yearly contributions start at only £30.

ACS Tote Bags

Don't forget that Ashford Choral Society black tote bags are on sale at rehearsals (only £5 for choir members).

The bags are easy to use for anything - not just carrying scores. They make good Christmas stocking fillers and advertise the choir when you are shopping.

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