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Welcome!...to the 45th issue of **Update** - the newsletter for Cantores.

We are now well and truly into our very busy 2016 season and there are lots of very exciting concerts to look forward to.

As I am standing down from the Committee and this is my last newsletter I would like to say a very big **THANK YOU** to all members of Cantores for the lovely flowers and card. It's been a pleasure and exciting journey working on the Committee, welcoming new members and working through all the challenges over the years!

I can now relax and enjoy rehearsals under Adrian's continued humour and motivational leadership.

Happy Singing...

Trish Winter, Editor



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Exciting News!

Canterbury Cathedral Evening Service
Remembrance Sunday 13th November



We are singing Adrian's Remembrance arrangement "1914" at Canterbury Cathedral – more details will be announced.

SUMMER SOCIAL

ON WEDNESDAY 13TH
JULY

At Val Morrell's house - details
to be emailed

**BRING AND SHARE
SEE YOU THERE!**

Chair's Letter by Alison Hendy

2016 has been a great year for Cantores so far – with a lot more fun to come!

So far we have performed two concerts. The coffee concert – our first in Lyminge Methodist Church – was brilliant. The sun shone, Val's excellent local publicity brought us a full church, the music was great, and the cakes a triumph! We really hope to repeat this venture, and establish it within the village calendar.

In June we participated in the new Sandgate Music festival – as their only classical offering. The audience was small but appreciative, and seemed to include new folk, apart from our usual loyal followers. We enjoyed our varied programme which included Zadok the priest, and the gents looked very smart in their new red bowties!

We are planning two proms in July, a special November Remembrance weekend jointly with Portsmouth singers and the Oysters choir in Whitstable as well as our usual Christmas fun at Sibton park. The November plans include singing in Canterbury Cathedral – performing '1914', Adrian's own piece. We are all very excited about this amazing opportunity. Thank you Adrian.

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Socially we all very much enjoyed the bring and share January get together, hosted by Jane Reynolds. We hope for good weather for our July bring and share party again kindly hosted by Val Morrell.

The committee has been largely re-elected at this years AGM – so we hope to continue offering support to Adrian and the choir. We will do this without the fantastic input of Trish Winter, who has worked very hard for years as a committee member and Vice chair. We will sorely miss her, but hope she enjoys 'just singing' from now on. Thank you very much Trish.

Have a good summer and a good rest – because the fun gets busier and busier over the next 18 months! Best wishes, Alison.



Spring Concert 12th March

by Maddy Scarre

We had to unexpectedly move venues for this concert from the URC, in Folkestone to the Methodist Church, Lyminge.

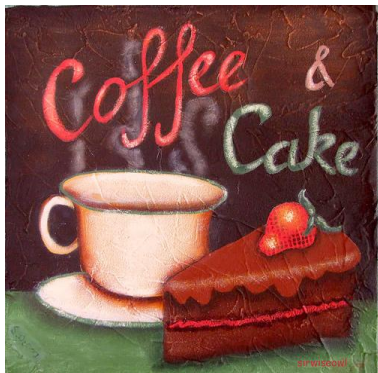
This proved to be fortuitous for us though, as we had a very good audience turnout and the venue was ideal for the new format of coffee and cakes before a concert.

It was a beautiful sunny day and volunteers had worked very hard making the Tayne Centre look welcoming with table cloths and flowers on the tables and a delicious array of cakes. People had a chance to meet up and chat over a cup of tea and slice of cake before the concert.

Adrian had put together another interesting and varied programme ranging from Faure's Cantique and Mozart's Ave Verum to Lauridsen's O Magnum Mysterium - which we performed very well (the acoustics at this venue do really help the sound).

Adrian also delighted the audience with beautiful performances of Bach's Prelude and Fugue in C minor and D major.

Not bad at all - coffee, cakes, concert and professional recitals all for a fiver!



Sandgate Concert 8th June

by Helen Webster

This concert was one of several held during the Sandgate Music Festival and what a treat it was. Adrian had taken the celebration of HM the Queen's 90th Birthday as a theme and the first part of the programme had two Coronation pieces.

They opened with "Zadok The Priest" and the trumpet player Alex Calden, violinist Charlotte Reid and the choir filled the church with an amazing sound. The sudden rousing entrance of the choir and trumpet was thrilling.

"I Was Glad" by Parry followed and was a joy to hear. The final note sent a shiver down my spine...in a good way!

We then heard "Crown Imperial" by Walton played superbly by our organist Tim Parsons. What a wonderful orchestral march.

We then enjoyed some songs accompanied by Adrian on piano which represented a street party starting with "Bare Necessities" by Terry Gilkyson a real favourite. "Goodnight Sweetheart" by Calvin Carter and James Hudson had us tapping our toes and swinging along.

After a nice cuppa we settled down to hear "Gloria" by Vivaldi. I'm sure much has been written before about this amazing baroque music so I only have to add that in my view to hear it performed live far exceeds any recording of it. I enjoy the hiss of the organ and other ambient sounds. Our two soloists were Angela Littlefield and Victoria Bawtree who both sang beautifully. There were many wonderful moments.

Throughout the concert we could hear every word thanks to very good enunciation and the choir, soloists and instrumentalists were on excellent form.

Congratulations to their Musical Director Adrian Bawtree and all for a great concert.

Love those new red bow ties chaps!



CANTORES WEBSITE

www.cantoresdominicae.co.uk

Please visit the website frequently.

Information, new photos and dates are updated regularly for members to access.



DATES FOR 2016/2017



LYMINGE SCHOOL ~ WEDNESDAY REHEARSAL DATES

	<i>First day of term</i>	<i>Last day of term</i>
2016	Wed 13 th April	25 th May
	8 th June	20 th July
Restart:	7 th Sept	19 th October
	2 nd November	21 st December
2017	Wed 4 th January	8 th February
	22 nd February	29 th March
	19 th April	24 th May
	7 th June	19 th July
Restart:	8 th September	

REHEARSAL NOTE: Social Wednesday 13th July 2016. No rehearsal Wednesday 21st July
If rehearsals are to be held during half terms these will be announced at rehearsals and information placed on our website.

2016/2017 CONCERT DATES:

SATURDAY 2 JULY

Prom, Lyminge Village Hall 7 p.m. Rehearsal 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 6 JULY

Prom, Sibton Park 7.30 p.m. Rehearsal 6 p.m. Bring Chair. Parking restrictions.

SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER

St Edmunds School, Canterbury 6 p.m. Joint with Portsmouth Singings & Oyster Choir Whitstable.
Rehearsal time to be announced.

SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Canterbury Cathedral Remembrance Evensong 6.30 p.m. Rehearsal time to be announced.

FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER

Sibton Park Carol Concert 7.30 p.m. Bring Chair. Parking restrictions. Rehearsal time to be announced.

2017 dates to be confirmed

SATURDAY MARCH 25

St. Mary & St. Eanswythe Folkestone 4 p.m. Big instrumental concert including Rossini Messe Solonelle

SATURDAY 17 JUNE

Folkestone – Sandgate/URC Concert joint with Kingsley Choral Group

SATURDAY 8 JULY

Lyminge Village Hall Prom 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 12 JULY

Prom Sibton Park 7.30 p.m.

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER

Coffee Concert Lyminge Methodist Church 11 a.m.

FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER

Carol Concert Sibton Park 7.30 p.m.