



NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2009

WELCOME BACK & A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW/RETURNING MEMBERS!

UPDATE ON SUMMER EVENTS. Thanks to Gill Simpson for hosting another enjoyable BBQ and sing-a-long in August. Some of us were involved in a Fringe production this year and thanks to those who came and supported us. Our most recent concert in June raised over £850 for the Medical Relief for the Victims of Torture and they were delighted with this result. The Summer Sessions were not heavily supported by Sangstreamers and had to be subsidised yet again.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR OCT-DEC 2009: 10 October: Gude Cause Suffragette Procession. We are registered to take part in this; more details to follow. 18 October: We have been asked to perform for about 20 mins at a Multicultural Event organised at Prestongrange by East Lothian Council. 30 November 2009: St Andrew's Night Concert; this will involve us doing 3-4 songs for the Royal Scottish Academy. 19 December: The Portobello Winter's Evening gig is booked for at the Portobello Town Hall. We have been registered for the BBC Choir of the Year Competition as well; we will keep you posted. It should be good fun!

WOOLER WEEKEND. We have booked exclusive use of the SYHA hostel for the weekend of 5-7 March 2010. This hostel is one of the more old-fashioned types but clean and comfortable. There is lots to see and do around this part of Northumberland.

POSSIBLE VISIT FROM A DANISH CHOIR JUNE 2010. The Naestved-Koret (www.naestved-koret.dk) have been in touch with us and hope to come and visit. They have suggested we go to Denmark in 2011. Below is an excerpt from a recent message from them: The Joy of Singing. Næstved-Koret is a so called amateur choir, where the word amateur absolutely has a positive meaning. We are 55 singers to day - very keen are they. Our conductor Lone Ekstrand is organist in Sct. Peders Church and she is fantastic. Our repertoire is much varied from serious church music -classical music - traditional jazz - Danish and Scandinavian folk songs etc. For more than 30 years we have been travelling abroad to Sweden - Norway - Germany - Wales - Luxembourg - Hungary - Austria - Malta and Canada. We have had many good concerts in the countries mentioned and we still have contacts with them. One thing is sure: the joy of singing is the same all over the world. All our members are happy people, who love singing - even if our average age is maybe a little high. We have a great wish to go Scotland next year to give some concerts together with our future friends Sangstream and of course have you here in Denmark in 2011. All our members look forward.

COMMITTEE. Shauna Dickson (Chair), Katty Proudfoot (Vice Chair), Maureen Morris (Treasurer), Marion Mullins, (Membership), Carol Forsyth, Kate Frame, Nancy Davis, John MacLean and Lorna and Sylvester Leyland.

SANGSTREAM CALENDAR - Sept 2009 - June 2010

<i>Thursdays</i>	<i>Term Week</i>	<i>Format</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Venue Conf?</i>	<i>MD</i>	<i>MD Conf?</i>	<i>Notes</i>
17/09/09	1	Thursday session	Boroughmuir	Atrium	No		Led mainly by Pauline
24/09/09	2	Thursday session	Boroughmuir	Dining Hall			
1/10/09	3	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
8/10/09	4	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
10/10/09		<i>Gude Cause Procession</i>					<i>Assemble at Bruntsfield Links</i>
15/10/09	5	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
18/10/09		<i>Possible gig at Prestongrange Museum</i>					East Lothian's Multicultural Day
22/10/09		½ Term Break					
29/10/09	6	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
5/11/09	7	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
12/11/09	8	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
19/11/09	9	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
26/11/09	10	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
30/11/09		<i>St Andrew's Day Concert</i>					RSA
3/12/09	11	Thursday session?	Boroughmuir				
10/12/09	12	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				NB Dining Hall
17/12/09	13	Rehearsal for concert					Atrium available End of term
19/12/09		<i>Midwinter concert</i>					<i>Portobello Town Hall</i>
7/01/10	1	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				Start of Term
14/01/10	2	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
21/01/10	3	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
28/01/10	4	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
4/02/10	5	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
11/02/10	6	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
18/02/10		½ Term Break					
25/02/10	7	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				NB Dining Hall
4/03/10	8	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
5-7/3/10		Weekend at Wooler					
11/03/10	9	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
18/03/10	10	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
23/03/10		<i>Concert at Carricknowe Church Women's Guild</i>					
25/03/10	11	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				End of Term
8/04/10		<i>Easter Break</i>					
15/04/10		<i>Easter Break</i>					
23/04/10	1	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				Start of Term
30/04/10	2	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
6/05/10	3	AGM ?	Boroughmuir				
13/05/10	4	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
20/05/10	5	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
27/05/10	6	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
3/06/10	7	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
10/06/10	8	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				
17/06/10	9	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				Danish choir possibly visiting
24/06/10	10	Thursday session	Boroughmuir				End of Term

Notes & Other Events

10th October 2009 Gude Cause Procession to commemorate the Centenary of the success of the Women's Suffrage Movement – Assemble at Bruntsfield Links 12pm, march begins 1pm

30th November 2009 - St Andrew's Day Concert – Royal Scottish Academy

19th December 2009 – Midwinter Concert at Portobello Town Hall