**Kaleidoscope – Minutes of Committee Meeting held on November 18th 2019**

Present: Helen Klich, Anne Mapley, Ann Smedley, Josie Wilson Yvonne Ward, Chris Dixon

Apologies : Rupert Feld, Catherine Docherty

**Rehearsals**

Rupert was unable to attend the meeting but sent a message to the Committee as follows :-

‘just to acknowledge and thank the choir for the hard work they've put in in the last few weeks learning the new Christmas songs.  So far, it's five new songs, with a sixth one coming up this week, and the choir have really risen to the occasion.  I promise the pressure will ease off in the new year!’

**Music**

Members will be asked to hand in all copies of ‘With a Little Help’ so that any copies without the copyright notice can be destroyed. Once **Rupert** has added the copyright notice new, legal copies will be printed and can be distributed.

**Members**

We welcome Philomena Bailey (Phil) to the sopranos

Can we encourage members who are unable to attend a rehearsal to let us know as soon as possible via email at info@kaleidoscopechoir.co.uk , or phoning/texting Ann Smedley on 01543 410389 or 07527 577751. This then enables us to take a view, if many members are absent, as to whether it is worth holding a rehearsal.

**Events**

* **Friends and Family Evening December 11th**

**Proposed order for the evening :-**

1. **1st Half singing**
2. **Presentation of cheque to John Dixon for Myeloma UK**
3. **Interval with refreshments and quiz**
4. **Answers to quiz and allocation of prize**
5. **2nd half singing**
6. **Draw of raffle (prizes to be collected on exit)**
7. **Last two numbers**

**The programme is listed at the bottom of these minutes.**

Please invite as many friends and family to this free event.

**Anne M** will distribute a list at the next few rehearsals where you can indicate how many friends and family might attend. This is to enable us to estimate numbers for seating, refreshments etc.

It would be preferable to be seated with tables on the evening, but this will depend on numbers. Christmas tablecloths should be in our filing cabinet

**Josie** is providing a ‘photo’ quiz for the interval. **Ann S** will pick out a suitable prize.

**Josie** will purchase Lidl mulled wine (alcoholic & non-alcoholic), oranges & lemons, once she has checked we have saucepans at the hall for heating it. She will also check whether we have suitable polystyrene cups

**Ann S** to buy serviettes, mince pies and shortbread

**Chris** will supply tea, coffee, sugar, milk and squash

Donations will be asked for refreshments and the monies raised for this and the raffle will be for the benefit of Myeloma UK

**Chris** to arrange presentation cheque and Phil Klich has kindly agreed to take photos of Helen presenting to John Dixon with the choir behind.

**Helen** to ensure we have an easily adjustable mike stand for rehearsal on Dec 4th and on Dec 11th

**Rupert** will compere the evening**, Josie** announce quiz answers

**Anne M & Ann S** draw the raffle

**Anne M** will ask Lynne & Cheryl to sell raffle tickets (£1 per strip)

We will use the turquoise folders **– Jo** to hand out Dec 4th

**Dress to be black and turquoise**. During the 1st half please do not add Christmas accessories so the presentation photo is not ‘Christmassy’. Christmas accessories can be added during the interval for the 2nd half.

* **St Michaels Concert**

**Anne M has** discussed with Sue Jones and we are waiting for the church’s proposed 2020 dates.

* **2020 Concerts**

Members are asked to get organisations that would like to stage a concert in 2020 to get in touch with a Committee member. We are looking to perform to new audiences in 2020 and for new charitable organisations – so thinking caps on all please !

**Equipment**

**Rupert** to source a music stand.

All the black folders are offered to members for their personal use, or to any organisation that can use them – please ask Jo. Any remaining in the New Year will be freecycled (**Anne M**), preferably for charity use.

**Website etc.**

**Anne M** to progress moving the website host

**Anne M** to publish a short questionnaire on member’s use of the website in the New Year. We may then change the website based on the results

**AGM**

It was agreed this will be held in the 1st half of rehearsal of Wednesday February 5th 2020

Next Meeting – Monday January 27th 7.30 pm 2019 at Yvonne’s house

**Dates for your Diary**

**November rehearsals – please bring in items for Christmas hampers**

**Wednesday December 4th – Pick up turquoise folder**

**Wednesday December 11th – ‘Friends and Family’ event at Rehearsal venue and time**

**Wednesday December 11th – LAST REHEARSAL 2019**

**Wednesday January 8th – FIRST REHEARSAL 2020 & return turquoise folders**

**Wednesday February 5th – AGM**

**Dec 11th programme**

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| **1st Half** | **2nd Half** |
| Santa Claus is coming to town | O Little town of Bethlehem |
| Christmas Lullaby | Christmas Madrigal |
| Stille Nacht | What Sweeter Music |
| The Angel Gabriel | Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas |
| When Mary sang her Lullaby | The Man with the Bag |
| Star Carol |  |