

## Who Are The Cromwell Singers?

FORMED in 1976 by Stanley Kirk to perform a single concert, The Cromwell Singers have become well established in the choral life of the Newbury area. Originally rehearsals took place in the URC Hall in Cromwell Place. When the choir was looking for a name "The Cromwell Singers" seemed very appropriate.

The Cromwells decided to continue after their inception and grew to their present size of approximately 50 voices, musical direction given firstly by Stan, followed by Steven Bowey, Nic Cope, David Wilcox, and presently Rosemary Evans, organist and musical director of St Mary's Church, Kintbury.

## When and Where We Meet

We are a friendly group of folk whose philosophy is one of combining musical enjoyment for our members and for our audience, whilst allowing members to develop their musical skills in a supportive environment.

We welcome new members in any voice part, **but especially tenors and basses**. There are no formal auditions—we suggest trying us out for a couple of weeks to seek mutual compatibility. Rehearsals are held in Speen Village Hall, Speen Lane, Newbury on Tuesday evenings between 7:45 pm and 9:45 pm from September to July. We start rehearsing for the Winter season on the 1st September 2009.

## What We Sing

Our music caters for a variety of musical tastes, from Messiah to musicals, Rutter to Rudolph (the Red Nosed Reindeer), combining both modern and traditional music.

## What We Do

Each season we perform at least three concerts by invitation for charitable causes. Over the years many thousands of pounds have been raised and we have given pleasure to those who come to support both our endeavours and the cause.

We welcome enquiries from local charities and fund raisers who may wish to consider a concert as part of their programme of events.

Please contact Gwenda Hutchinson (our Concert Secretary) if you would like to arrange a concert.

## Thanks

The Cromwell Singers would like to thank the Greenham Common Trust for their grant to the choir.

## Further Information

For further choir information please  
e-mail: [Cromwell.singers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Cromwell.singers@hotmail.co.uk)

Or visit our website

<http://cromwells.newbury.net/>

We are performing at several venues this season. If you do not wish to take this programme as a memento of the concert, it would be appreciated if you could kindly return this programme to a steward at the end of the concert. Thank You.



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## Summer 2009

Musical Director: **Rosemary Evans**  
Accompanist: **Daphne George**

## PROGRAMME

### SUNDAY 14th JUNE

*ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH, KINTBURY*

### FRIDAY 19th JUNE

*MAJENDIE HALL, CHURCH OF ST MARY'S, SPEEN*

### SATURDAY 20th JUNE

*UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, HUNGERFORD*



# PROGRAMME

The musical items will be interspersed with poetry read by John Hutchinson

## **The Cromwell Singers:**

SUMER IS INCUMEN IN ..... *Ascribed to John of Fornsete*

SCARBOROUGH FAIR CANTICLE ..... *Arr. Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel*

SLEEPYTIME BACH ..... *J.S. Bach  
arr. Bennett Williams*

**Piano Duet:** Rosemary Evans and Daphne George

KRAKOWIAK ..... *Moszkowski*

QUI VIVE! ..... *Ganz*

## **The Cromwell Singers:**

AS TORRENTS IN SUMMER ..... *Elgar*

THE LOVE OF THE SEA ..... *Donna Rhodenizer*

ALEXANDER'S RAGTIME BAND ..... *Irving Berlin  
arr. Philip Kern*

*Soloists: Jim Clark and Bobbie Vare*

## **INTERVAL**

**Solo:** sung by Mike Barthorpe

COME TO THE FAIR ..... *Easthope Martin*

## **The Cromwell Singers:**

THE SOUND OF SILENCE ..... *Paul Simon  
arr Gwyn Arch*

*Soloists: Sue Pinnock and Brigitta Small*

THE WINDMILLS IN YOUR MIND ..... *Michel Legrand  
Arr Gwyn Arch*

*Soloist: Rosemary Basden*

**Piano Duet:** Rosemary Evans and Daphne George

COUNTRY GARDENS ..... *Grainger*

WALTZ FROM *MASQUERADE* ..... *Khachaturian*

## **The Cromwell Singers:**

RODGERS AND HAMMERSTEIN ON BROADWAY ..... *Richard Rodgers  
arr. Mac Huff*

*Soloists: Rebecca Golding     Brigitta Small  
                 Bobbie Vare             Sally Mitchell  
                 Sue Pinnock             Denise Barthorpe  
                 Murrie Jackson          Vivienne Masson  
                 Rosemary Basden         Mike Barthorpe  
                 Jim Clark*