

Creaton Singers

Report for Annual Parish Meeting

May 2019

Now over 8 years old, Creaton Singers is one of the village's many successful organisations.

Creaton Singers was formed by a group of individuals who love singing for fun and now perform regularly throughout the year.

The Musical Director is Glennis Ambrose who leads the group of 16 singers, comprising of 7 sopranos, 6 Altos, 1 Tenor and 2 Basses. The group has recently expanded and outgrown its meeting venue of Church House, so has moved to the URC. The Creaton Singers meet there on Tuesdays at 7.30pm and welcome new singers, especially tenors and basses.

Regular performances are Creaton in Bloom, Christmas Tree Farm in Welford and Carol Singing on the Green followed by a concert in the Village Hall. The group sing for free but often hold fund-raising events.

In September 2018 the Creaton Singers sang in Spratton church at a concert featuring Northampton Male Voice Choir. Also in the last 12 months the singers made a cd recording, mainly as a memento for themselves.

The Christmas concert in the Village Hall was a double success as donations from the audience were used to buy toiletries for the Food Bank, and these toiletries were acquired from Creaton Village Shop. Duston Food Bank were extremely appreciative of the donations.

The singers were asked to provide the entertainment for Friends of St Michael's St George's Night in April 2019 and sang a selection of English music old and new, with audience participation.

Each event involves lots of practice for an increasing range of songs and singing techniques. The Singers continue to be very grateful for all the guidance and support they receive from Glennis Ambrose who comes over from Guilsborough every week.

Accounts:

This is not a formal club and there are no accounts. The Creaton Singers now pay £1 each per week towards the cost of hiring the URC, who charge £10 an hour. The Creaton Singers also have to purchase annual Public Liability insurance which they have in the past paid for themselves. However, in 2018 they were delighted to receive £100 from the Friends of St Michael which they used to pay for the Public Liability insurance.