

Coastline Singers

Coastline Singers have been running for many years getting together once a week to enjoy singing and putting on the occasional concert.

When lockdown put everything on hold, the choir could do nothing more, as we are ladies of a certain age who are defeated by technology and trying to sing individually from home over zoom, was not an option. As a large group with a core of 26 members, we were the last to be released by the Government on the 19th July last year, by which time our normal venue and time slot had been taken over by smaller groups, predominantly doing keep-fit activities.

As many of the ladies look after grandchildren over August, we decided to restart in September, where it became apparent that the numbers had dropped off. Some were a little nervous of meeting indoors again, but we did space ourselves well apart and followed the customary requirement of open windows etc, especially as we now had regained access to the Village Hall here.

After not singing for 2 years, it took a while for us to find our voices and sound more like angels rather than strangled cats.

15 of us sang at Trinity Methodist Church just before Christmas and then in February and March, the numbers started to increase thankfully.

We were asked by the family of one of our long serving members, who sadly passed away in January, if we could help with fund raising for the Sandra Chapman Centre at the James Paget Hospital. So on Wednesday 25th May and Wednesday 1st June at 7.30 p.m. in the evening we are holding a charity concert, here at the Village Hall £5 per ticket. We will be singing a variety of well known songs, from different musicals and artists like the Mamas and the Papas and the Carpenters, which I'm sure many of you will remember. These will be interspersed with a couple of ladies giving recitations, from the likes of Pam Ayres, so we are hoping it will be an entertaining evening for everyone.

We are also invited to sing at the Wedding of Rachel Teasdale later in July. The Teasdale's have been residents in Blundeston for a long time and not only has Rachel sung with us, but her mum Angela who many will know, still does.

Then it will be Christmas again.