**APRIL NEWSLETTER**

Dear everyone,

I hope you are all well and appreciating that over the last few days of glorious weather Spring has appeared and the world seems a bit brighter. We are nearing the end of what has been a really difficult year for the choir.

Those of you who were lucky enough to join the last session of our Spring Series at the end of March enjoyed a superb evening singing some wonderful choral music. The session was a great success and a poignant reminder of what we love to do together. Andy has to be congratulated on his slick presentation and the editing which he and Andrew Forbes produced together. The Committee has received some marvellous positive feedback and Ayr Choral Union is definitely on the map!

As usual, we’ll be finishing our season with four sessions in May. This year the decision was taken to programme some lighter repertoire, so the series is called Broadway and Back Again. We’ll be having some fun with Andy taking the rehearsals live with Andrew Forbes in the same room. We’ll also enjoy some solo performances which will showcase the particular genre of music in each session. Please show your support for Andy and sign up for these sessions. Contact Marion and she’ll send you the relevant information. Don’t let the sunshine hold you back, it might be raining in May!

Our AGM this year will again be held on Zoom, on Tuesday 15th June at 7.30pm. Marion will send out the reports to you all with the necessary business papers. Hopefully by then we may have a bit more information about what we will be allowed to do after our summer break. We have tentative initial plans which will involve group sessions with singing tutors – I’m sure you all appreciate that we will need training to get our choir sound back to what it was in March 2020. More information about next season will be given at the AGM.

Looking ahead to next season, Andy and the Committee are keen to find out how people feel about returning to rehearsals “in person.” You will all have received a questionnaire from Marion. If you have not already done so, **please** fill out the questionnaire and return it to Marion ASAP. This is your choir and it’s essential that we know your views so that we can start to put concrete plans in place for the end of August.

Take care, everyone, I look forward to seeing lots of you in May for some fun!

Best wishes,

Kate