

VIVACE

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1. As you know Karen recently kindly volunteered to take over Librarian duties from San. As she has work commitments as well there are occasions she needs a reliable deputy to control the register of scores on Wednesday night. This is not an onerous task but just means keeping track of who has what. **We need a volunteer to help her please!**

2. Concert arrangements
 - a. Rehearsals. All Wednesday night rehearsals will take place at Edgeworth House. As our accompanists and guest singers will be attending it would be helpful if, as far as possible, people could get there a few minutes early to get chairs in the right place. We then have maximum singing time with John.
 - b. The final rehearsal will take place at the WI Hall Arleseey (almost opposite Edgeworth, with parking to the rear) from 11.30 to set chairs for a prompt 12 noon start. We expect to finish about 2.30pm.
 - c. Concert begins at 7.30pm; we will get together at Edgeworth at 7.00 for our warm up.
 - d. Button holes, priced at £2 will be available for new members. Please remember to bring yours if you already have one, some discrete tinsel would be in keeping with Christmas festivities.
 - e. We sing in black tops and bottoms.
 - f. Karen will be selling tickets to choir members from this week.
 - g. Don't forget your raffle contribution.

3. Carols

We will be including the following:

p28 Ding Dong
34 Wenceslas
52 Infant Holy

112 Blest Son of God
142 Shepherd's farewell

plus audience participation

39 Hark the Herald
88 O Come all ye faithful

4. **We will not be rehearsing on 16th December as that close to Christmas people always seem to be very busy. We reassemble on 6th January to start Vivaldi's Gloria.**
5. Message from Karen re Vivaldi Gloria scores for next term

Some people have expressed an interest in buying their own copies, so for simplicity I'll do a bulk order. John's preferred edition is the Novello, and this is currently available from musicroom.com at £5.95. There is no discount for ordering multiple copies, but there is free p&p for orders over £20! NB If anyone is buying independently, please make sure you buy the SATB version as there is also a Novello one available for SSA. For comparison, the correct version is currently available on Amazon at £6.99.

Copies will of course be available to hire at £1 in the usual way; this is purely an option for those who like to have their own scores. However, please note that the library is unable to supply the Novello edition so most of the choir will have a different one (Riccordi); this is not a problem in terms of the chorus parts, but just so that you are aware you may end up having a different edition from your neighbour!

If you would like to order your own copy, please let me have your name and cash or a cheque (payable to Karen Goulding) by Wednesday 9 December. That should allow plenty of time for the scores to be with us for our first rehearsal on Wednesday 6 January.

6. Finally a message from Brenda: *'My granddaughter Rose is in a competition being run on Facebook by Next to find child models for their next catalogue. The top 100 finalists get a day out at Woburn Abbey, including a photoshoot and danceclass, which is what it is really all about for us. She is currently at position no 99 out of over 16000 entrants and I would love for her to have the day out. If you would like to vote this is the link: http://apps.facebook.com/nextonline/gallery/show_entry/136162. Voting closes on Friday. Thanks.'*

Best wishes

Elaine