

The Rotary Club of Sevenoaks

presents a

Gala Musical Evening

with the

Kemsing Singers

&

Eynsford Concert Band

with

Pat Marsh of Radio Kent

as compere

in aid of

Age Concern Sevenoaks

and the

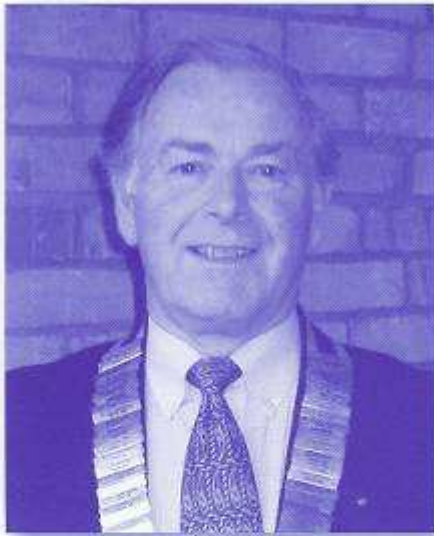
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Saturday 24th April 2004

Stag Theatre, London Road, Sevenoaks, Kent



*A message from
the President of
the Rotary Club
of Sevenoaks*

Established 71 years ago The Rotary Club of Sevenoaks has during that time been giving support to local charities and organisations by way of personal service or raising money for charity work etc.

The Rotary movement is International and is constantly striving to promote International understanding with other countries throughout the world. Rotary International is now represented in over one hundred and ninety different countries worldwide.

This evening with your help we are supporting two local organisations, namely Sevenoaks Age Concern and Hospice in the Weald, which I am sure you will agree are two very worthwhile causes working in our community. All the monies raised this evening will be equally divided between them.

Our Club wishes to acknowledge the support given by the many local sponsors mentioned in the programme and in particular our Principal sponsor BERKELEY HOMES. We thank the people of Sevenoaks and District for their support, also the management committee of the Stag Theatre.

We hope you all have a very enjoyable evening.

Bryan Richardson

President
The Rotary Club of Sevenoaks



The Kemsing Singers

Founded in 1964 for just one concert, The Kemsing Singers have enjoyed performing music for the pleasure of audiences all over Kent for nearly 40 years. The membership, over 55 singers when at full strength, comes from the Village of Kemsing and it's environs.

The places in which they have sung have been varied and include The Royal Albert Hall, Ightham Mote, Penshurst Place, Knole, The Queen Elizabeth Hall, The Royal Festival Hall, The Glaziers Hall, and in a marquee at Brands Hatch as well as churches and halls throughout Kent. The Singers have also performed with Peter Skellern (an ex-member), on BBC TV and on disc. Also with members of the English National Opera, Emma Johnson, Nyree Dawn Porter, Tony Britton, John Dunn, Phillip Franks, Lord Weatherill, Jon Pertwee, Julia Hills, Bob Holness, Margaret Howard and Cheryl Baker. They have also broadcast on BBC Radio. Their roots, however, lie in performances they give for local events, organisations and charities.

The range is wide, with a speciality for the lighter end of the choral repertoire. This includes from Bach to the Beatles, from Gilbert & Sullivan to Simon and Garfunkle, from Grand Opera to Les Miserables, folk songs and part songs. Major choral works have included Gloria by Vivaldi, Messa di Gloria by Puccini, Requiems by Faure, and Mozart, the Mass in D by Nicolai, Chichester Psalms by Bernstein. John Rutter's Requiem and Gloria and Andrew Carter's Benedicite were performed with the composer conducting.

Brenda Ross - *Choral Director*, Warren Mailley-Smith - *Pianist*. For an update on their personal history and photographs please see insert at the back of this programme.



Eynsford Concert Band

Eynsford Concert Band was founded in 1972.

Though it has a relatively short history, the band has rapidly developed into a successful group of talented musicians. Since it began, the band has performed many hundreds of times in theatres, parks and gardens, at fetes, musical contests and festivals, locally, countrywide and while abroad on tour.

The band has also played with the London Philharmonic Orchestra in the Royal Albert Hall and performed several times at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on London's South Bank. The band has recorded two albums, the second, "By the Ford" was recorded at the end of an intensive course with the BBC Symphony Orchestra.

The band tours extensively, regular tours in the UK and abroad. Past destinations have included Malta, Cyprus, Austria, Canada, Spain and Germany.

Guest Soloist Jonathan Warburton. He is an active member of the British trombone society and regularly performs new pieces for bass trombone, he has performed premieres by Gareth Wood (Royal Philharmonic Orchestra), Ted Watson (Royal Shakespeare Company), Chris Steam, John Firth, and Eric Ewazen (Julliard School, New York).

Jonathan has recently played at the BASBWE Festival at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester where he gave the European premiere of Paul Sarcich's bass trombone concerto.

John Hutchins - Musical Director

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WITH THE KEMSING SINGERS AND
THE EYNSFORD CONCERT BAND**

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Programme

Introduced by Pat Marsh – Radio Kent

The Eynsford Concert Band

Olympic Fanfare

John Williams

The Kemsing Singers

The Heavens are Telling The Glory of God (from Creation)

Haydn

The Eynsford Concert Band

Robin Hood

Michael Kamen

The Kemsing Singers with Woodwind Quartet

From: "Sprig of Thyme"

John Rutter

The Bold Grenadier

I know where I'm Going

The Keel Row

The Eynsford Concert Band with The Kemsing Singers

Hymn to the Fallen

John Williams

The Kemsing Singers with Woodwind Quartet

From: "Sprig of Thyme"

John Rutter

Afton Waters

The Miller of Dee

The Cuckoo

The Eynsford Concert Band

Peterloo

Malcolm Arnold

INTERVAL & TOMBOLA TIME !

The Kemsing Singers

Beside the Seaside & Teddybears Picnic

arr Andrew Carter

Come to the Fair

Easthope Martin

The Eynsford Concert Band

Concerto for Bass Trombone

Ian Mitchell

Trombone Solo

Jonathan Warburton

The Kemsing Singers

Yesterday and Penny Lane

Lennon & McCartney

arr MH

The Eynsford Concert Band

West Side Story

Leonard Bernstein

The Kemsing Singers

Yellow Bird

arr Chuck Casey

Flying Free

Don Besig

The Rhythm of Life

Cy Coleman

The Kemsing Singers with The Eynsford Concert Band

Zadok the Priest

Handel

A Thank You from Bryan Richardson, President of The Rotary Club of Sevenoaks

"The Spring of Thyme" by John Rutter is a cycle of folk song settings for mixed choir and chamber ensemble composed in 1994. This evening the choir will sing six of these songs in two groups with woodwind and piano accompaniment.

*The Kemsing Singers Musical Director: Brenda Ross, Pianist: Warren Mailley-Smith
The Eynsford Concert Band Musical Director: John Hutchins*

Age Concern Sevenoaks & District

Age Concern in Sevenoaks – which is delighted to have been chosen as one of the Sevenoaks Rotary Club's Charities has reached the first stage of its development plan. On 1st September the daycentre at Cobden Road closed and the new, expanded Hollybush Court Daycentre opened for business. At a cost of some £200,000. The Charity will not only be able to look after the same number of clients who have been attending the two separate daycentres but the new Hollybush Court Daycentre is an essential springboard for the later stages of Age Concern's plans. They include modernisation of the London Road Shop and the introduction of new services which will appeal to the increasing number of older people who look to Age Concern for friendship and stimulation.



The move to Hollybush Court took place before the fundraising campaign was complete but the early move enabled savings from reduced overheads to improve stretched finances. It has been possible to raise the funds with the help of Sevenoaks District Council, The National Lottery, local clubs and organisations and many individuals. The Age Concern Office will be staying at Cobden Road until a new, more permanent location can be found.

It is always sad to leave a location which has served its purpose well and is a well-known feature on the Sevenoaks map. Cobden Road is just such a location, but visitors to the new Hollybush Court Daycentre are bound to be impressed by its spacious and welcoming feel. Above all it represents an investment for the future of Age Concern Sevenoaks & District. Already we have been able to introduce new services and are

delighted to announce the opening of our Internet Cafe, where older people can learn new computer skills and join the growing band of 'silver surfers'.

Daycare services are provided at Hollybush Court Daycentre and at Edenbridge. Chiropody, hairdressing, reflexology, aromatherapy and healing are available to any pensioner who would like to attend. Information and advice services are available from the Head Office, currently still at Cobden Road. A fleet of ambulances provides transport for older people to be able to attend the daycentres and also the seven village lunch clubs.

Like so many other charities it seems clear that Age Concern will have to be in permanent fundraising mode, not only for its exciting development plans, but also to

ensure that the current services are given the necessary investment for example, running a fleet of ambulances is expensive to maintain let alone replace. Trustees, volunteers and staff are all confident that they can do it. But if there are others out there who would like to join a winning team please get in touch- you would be very welcome.

AGE
Concern
Sevenoaks & District

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Hospice in the Weald

Hospice in the Weald provides specialist advice and support for people with life threatening illness, their families and the bereaved.

Hospice in the Weald established since 1980 provides a voluntary funded In-Patient Unit and a Day Therapy Centre offering a range of treatments and complementary therapies and clinics. The Hospice also provides specialist community nursing with 24 hour telephone support. The specialist palliative care nursing and medical services are backed up with family support, bereavement counselling and spiritual care together with a health information service. The Hospice serves an area of 400 square mile of West Kent and East Sussex with approximately 280,000 population.

Government funding for the Hospice is only a little over 10% of its operating costs. The other 90% comes through donations, legacies and fundraising in the community.

Due to the limitations on nursing and financial resources, the Hospice is currently only able to operate its In-Patient Unit at 58% capacity. Every year the Hospice has over 600 patient referrals from NHS hospitals, GPs and District Nurses but sadly many people who need our care and expertise are unable to be admitted. With your help we hope to extend our services to help more patients and their families within our community.

Thank you for your support.

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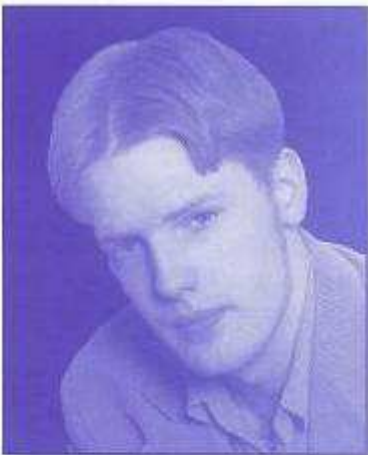
Kemsing Singers



Brenda Ross
Choral Director

Brenda Ross is a graduate of the Northern School of Music and an LRAM and ARCM. Until recently she was director of music at Bromley High School where she founded their choral society and toured extensively in Europe, Canada, Australia and South Africa. Combined with her school choir they have performed in the major London churches and cathedrals. She currently teaches at Francis Holland School in London, again directing her choir in the major capitals of Europe. Before taking over as director of the Kemsing singers, she conducted the Royal Tunbridge Wells Mixed Voice Choir.

Brenda examines regularly for the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music and she is a member of their specialist panel of choral specialists. She has recently returned from Hong Kong.



Warren Mailley-Smith
Pianist

Warren is one of the UK's outstanding young pianists and makes his solo recital debuts at the Wigmore Hall and Southbank Centre this year.

Warren recently graduated from the Royal College of Music winning a number of awards and prizes in his time there. His debut recitals at Birmingham Symphony Hall and St John's Smith Square were received with critical acclaim and he is regularly invited to perform by His Highness the Prince of Wales.

His reputation as one of the countries leading young solo pianists continues to grow, with regular concerto and solo recital appearances in the UK for festivals music societies universities and in some of the countries leading concert venues and is musician on the Live Music Now scheme. He has performed in the USA, Russia, Australia, numerous European countries and was invited to represent the UK at the Beijing International Piano Festival.



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