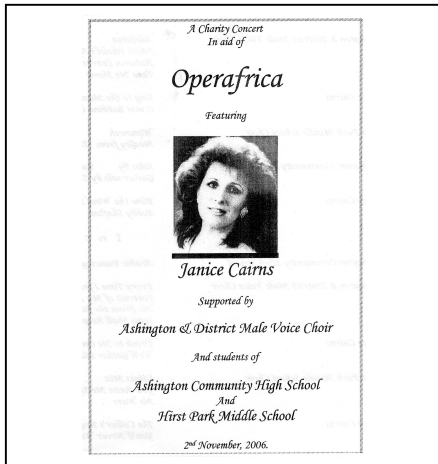




Ashington & District Male Voice Choir

A Concert Review for 2005 to 2009



Ashington High School in 2006

The Choir was founded originally in October 1916 by Mr. W. H. Batey as Ashington Male Voice Choir.

He laid the foundations of successful choral singing of a high standard winning many contests and earning a fine reputation for the Choir.

After surviving the 1926 General Strike and the Second World War, the Choir amalgamated in 1956 with the depleted Morpeth and Newbiggin Male Voice Choirs to form Ashington & District Male Voice Choir.

The Choir has entertained audiences across the region and overseas and performs a varied selection of songs. It is appropriate that several numbers are about coal mining as Ashington was once famous as 'the largest coal mining village in the world'.

Surviving the Covid pandemic, which impacted on many community choirs, this traditional male voice choir from Ashington continues to flourish and attract new members.

This information sheet is 'A Concert Review for 2005 to 2009'.

A Rich and Diverse Programme of Community Concerts

This review highlights some of the key concerts performed during the period of 2005 to 2009.

07.05.2005 – Annual Concert at Ashington High School – With Gillian Ramm and Blake Fischer

07.07.2005 – Childhood Voices Iraq Concert

10.12.2005 – Christmas Concert at Ashington High School – With Elizabeth Anderson and Alistair Anderson

13.05.2006 – Annual Concert at Ashington High School – With Katherine Moore and Michael Parle

02.11.2006 – Operafrica at Ashington High School

09.12.2006 – Christmas Concert – With Janet Bennett

24.03.2007 – NAC Choral Spectacular at City Hall

12.05.2007 – Annual Celebrity Concert at Ashington High School – With Suzannah Clarke

22.09.2007 – Concert at Holy Sepulchre Church, Ashington – With Shirley Wilkinson, soprano

13.10.2007 – Concert at Felton United Reformed Church, West Thirston – With Liane Todd, clarinet

15.12.2007 – Christmas Concert at Ashington Community High School – With Liane Todd, clarinet

10.05.2008 – Annual Celebrity Concert at Ashington High School – With Carole Marnock

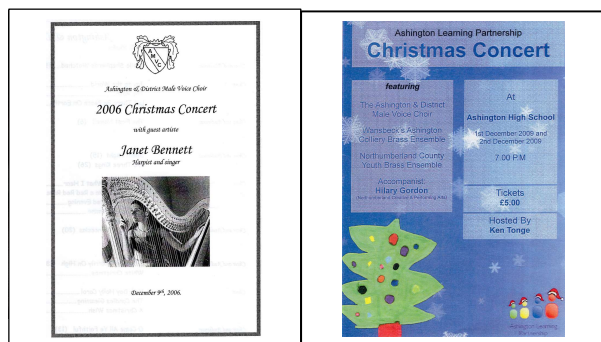
19.12.2008 – Christmas Concert at Ashington High School – With Ruval Folk Group

16.05.2009 – Annual Concert at Ashington High School – With Katherine Moore, soprano

26.09.2009 – NAC Choral Spectacular at City Hall

07.11.2009 – The Ellington Colliery Memorial

01.12.2009 – Christmas Concert at Ashington High School – With Ashington Colliery & NCC Youth Brass



Christmas Concerts in 2006 and 2009

A Rich and Varied Programme between 2005 to 2009

General Programmes

African Prayer, All in the April Evening, American Trilogy, An Eriskay Love Lilt, Autumn Leaves, Bring Him Home, Calm is the Sea, Calon Lan, Cavatina, Dashenka, Do You Hear the People Sing, Every Time I Feel the Spirit, Give Me that Old Time Religion, Gwahoddiaid, Jesus Shall Reign, Last of the Summer Wine, Laudamus, Let There Be Peace On Earth, Lily of the Valley, Love Is All Around, Morning Has Broken, Morte Criste, Myfanwy, My Heart Will Go On, My Lord What a Morning, My Love is Like a Red Red Rose, Nice 'n' Easy Medley, No Man is an Island, Non Nobis Domine, Portrait of My Love, Shall We Gather at the River, She, Softly As I Leave You, Some Enchanted Evening, Song of the Jolly Roger, Stout Hearted Men, Take Me Home, The Admiral's Song, The Colliers' Requiem, The Isle of Mull, The Rhythm of Life, This Little Light of Mine, What a Wonderful World, When the Saints Go Marching In, With a Voice of Singing, Yard Seam! Bothal High!, You'll Never Walk Alone.

Christmas Programmes

A Christmas Wish, Christ Child In The Manger, Do You Hear What I Hear, Good King Wenceslas, Holy Day, Holly Carol, In the Bleak Midwinter, Joy to the World, See Amid the Winter's Snow, Show Me The Child, Silent Night, The Candles Gleaming, The Holly & The Ivy, The Rocking Carol, We Three Kings.

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Web: <https://www.ashingtonmalevoicechoir.org.uk>

Also on Facebook and YouTube.

Remembering our Heritage and Supporting Regional Concerts

A Rich Coal Mining Heritage

Ashington & District Male Voice Choir was delighted to perform at the 'Unveiling Ceremony and Open Day' for 'The Ellington Colliery Memorial'.

The event was held at Ellington Colliery Welfare Social Centre on Saturday, 7th November 2009 and commenced at 10.30am.

Regional Concerts at the City Hall

Ashington & District Male Voice Choir was pleased to support the National Association of Choirs at two of their North East regional events at the City Hall in Newcastle upon Tyne during this review period.

Saturday, 24th March 2007 at 7.00pm

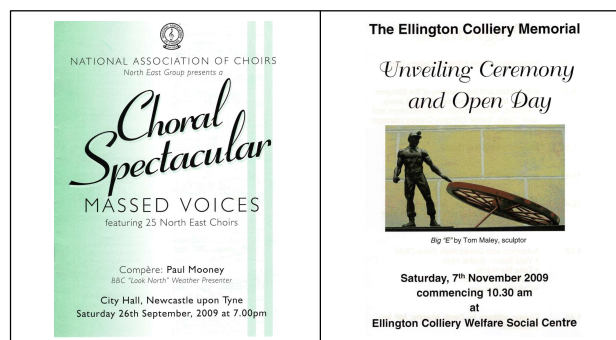
28 North East Choirs supported this 'Choral Spectacular'.

Alan Simmons, musical arranger, was the compere.

Saturday, 26th September 2009 at 7.00pm

258 North East Choirs supported this 'Choral Spectacular'.

Paul Mooney, BBC 'Look North' Weather Presenter, was the compere.



NAC Regional Concert and Memorial Day in 2009

Ashington & District Male Voice Choir Information Sheets

Ashington & District Male Voice Choir is producing a range of information sheets on various topics, including on the heritage of the Choir. They will be published within the Choir website.