

NORWICH CATHEDRAL EX-CHORISTERS' GUILD

(Founded 1884)



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Annual Reunion Day Saturday 26th May 2018

Dear Ex-Choristers and friends,

I would like to invite you to our AGM, Evensong and Reunion Dinner on Saturday the 26th May. I do hope that you can join us during the day.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting will take place in the Priors Hall, commencing at 1:00 pm. We conclude the necessary business of the Guild at this meeting including the election of Officers and Committee members. If you would like to stand for election or to raise any matter for discussion please do let me know. I have included an outline agenda below.

Evensong

Evensong will begin at 3:30 pm. Members may join the Cathedral choirs to sing and there will be a rehearsal at 2:30 pm. Please do not be shy – all are very welcome to sing irrespective of your current level of practice! Please also indicate on the reply form below if you would like to sing.

Tea in the Deanery garden

The Dean has very kindly offered tea in the Deanery garden after Evensong. This year marks the start of the Cathedral Music Appeal to raise £2.5 million for the organ restoration and to fund the boys' and girls' choirs. The Dean would like to present progress with the appeal and explain how we may support it.

Evening Dinner

The reunion dinner will be held in the Maid's Head Minstrel Suite and dinner will be served at 7:30 pm. We may assemble before dinner and the Minstrel Bar will open from 7:00 pm.

There is a choice of starter, main course and dessert and special dietary requirements will be provided for also. The cost is £35.00 per person, with a reduced rate of £29 for those 25 or younger. Pre-dinner drinks and tea or coffee is included, but wines are not and should be ordered and paid for separately.

Please make your choices (noting any special dietary requirements) and return the reply slip to me, with a cheque, or make a bank transfer for the cost. Please do let me know with whom you would prefer to sit and I shall try my best to arrange it.

I would appreciate a reply *as soon as possible* and a short email is perfectly acceptable. In any case please reply no later than 19th May.

The dress code for dinner is lounge suits or sports jackets and ties, cocktail dresses.

In previous years many of you have also very generously made additional donations for the dinner which have been exceedingly helpful. These allow us to reduce the price we must charge and so make the evening accessible to the largest number possible. Thank you all for these kind donations which are really appreciated.

I do hope that you will be able to come on the 26th and look forward to meeting you then.

With very best wishes,



Jonathan Burrell, Secretary, NCEXCG

AGM Agenda

Chairman's welcome
Remembering members who have died
Chairman's, Secretary's and Treasurer's reports
2017 accounts presentation and adoption
Election of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer for 2018/2019
Appointment of an accounts examiner
Election of Committee members
Any other business

Dinner Menu Choices

Starter

Roast plum tomato & basil soup, creme fraiche (v)
or Smoked salmon, prawn & crayfish salad, avocado puree, herb croutons
or Traditional pressed Dingley Dell ham hock terrine, toast, homemade piccalilli

Main

Roast rump of beef, chive & mustard mashed potatoes, carrots & green beans, gravy
or Chicken breast wrapped in prosciutto, pomme Anna, spring greens, chive butter sauce
or Fillet of sea bream, creamy dill mashed potatoes, leek & fennel ragout, beurre blanc
or Potato gnocchi with mushroom ragu, peas and cream (v)

Dessert

Apple & mixed berry crumble, vanilla ice cream
or Eton mess (Spring rhubarb, Summer strawberry)
or Crème brûlée, raspberry sorbet, shortbread

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO ME *

Your name:

Evensong I would/would not like to sing with the choirs as a Treble/Alto/Tenor/Bass
(please indicate accordingly)

Dinner I would like places (including my own)

My menu choices and those of my guests are:-
(please add your guests' names)

| | | Self | Guest 1 | Guest 2 | Guest 3 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Starter | Tomato & basil soup (v) | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Salmon, prawn & crayfish salad | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Ham hock terrine | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Main | Roast beef | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Chicken breast | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Filet of sea bream | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Gnocchi & mushroom ragu (v) | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Dessert | Apple & berry crumble | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Eaton mess | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Crème brûlée & raspberry sorbet | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Special dietary requirements |  | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

If possible, I and my guests would like to sit with:

Payment I would like to make a donation of £.....
I include my subscription payment (if applicable) of £.....
I include payment for dinner at £35.00 per place,
or £29.00 if 25 or younger £.....
I include a cheque** for: £.....
or I have made a transfer to the Guild account** of: £.....

Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend on the 26th

*** My contact details:**

- By post to: **Jon Burrell, 5 Short Street, Bourn, Cambridge, CB23 2SG**
- Or if you prefer, please put the above information into a short email to me at jon@jburrell.com . I will email back an acknowledgement

**** Payment details:**

- Please make cheques payable to **Norwich Cathedral Ex-Choristers' Guild**
- The details for electronic transfer are:

Account name: **Norwich Cathedral Ex-Choristers' Guild**
Account number: **60671770**
Sort code: **20-62-53**
Payer reference: Please use your name to help identify the payment source