

MEMBERS' NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 2018



ONLY 11 WEEKS TO GO

STARTING THIS FRIDAY 5th JANUARY

Our next rehearsal will be on Friday, 5th January at the Stony Stratford Children's Centre.

We will need to start promptly at 7.30 p.m. so please arrive in good time **BEFORE 7.30p.m.**

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE THE REHEARSAL SCHEDULE, BECAUSE AFTER THE 5TH JANUARY, WE HAVE JUST 10 WEEKS PRACTISE.

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER



THE VIDEOS WILL HELP YOU PRACTISE THE STEPS

You should have received copies of the dance videos to help you practise at home. Please let Chris

Worton (Secretary) know if you haven't received these yet. If you miss him each Friday, then, email him on secretary@wolvertongands.co.uk



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

LET US KNOW WHEN YOU CANNOT ATTEND. Rehearsals have to be planned so you must let us know what dates you cannot be here. We were expecting at least 10 more people for Friday's 15th December rehearsal and so in the end had to improvise. We need to make the most of every rehearsal with just 11 weeks to go. **PLEASE COMPLETE THE ABSENCE DIARY PLACED WITH THE REGISTER NEAR THE SERVING HATCH.**

RICHARD DUNCOMBE

Some of you may already know that Richard Duncombe suffered a stroke at the end of November whilst he was down in London. Kim saw him before Christmas at the Newport Singers concert, where he performed some monologues with his usual flare and good humour. He is recovering well, though he says that his memory is not what it was, but is improving. We wish him a speedy and full recovery.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We are sorry that the Christmas Concert had to be cancelled as we were all really looking forward to it. Rehearsals seemed to be going so well, but the weather had the final say.

Thank you to all of you who put in so much practising. Perhaps we are now slightly prepared for next year should the programme remain the same or even similar.

A BIG 'THANK YOU'

Thank you to all those who so promptly returned their blue folders, carol song sheets and green carol books on Friday, 15th December. For those of you returning for the first time on 5th January, please bring the folders, books and song sheets with you. Also, if you are able, please remind other 'choristers' from other societies.



Ganders



A GOOD GANDER OR A DEAD DUCK?

People said some very kind things about the first issue of GanderS, our new audience newsletter, but very few subscribed to get future issues.

Half the people on our original list opened the introductory email and of them, half clicked to read the full version online. These are very good stats indeed for an email campaign. Most are lucky to get 5% opened let alone read.

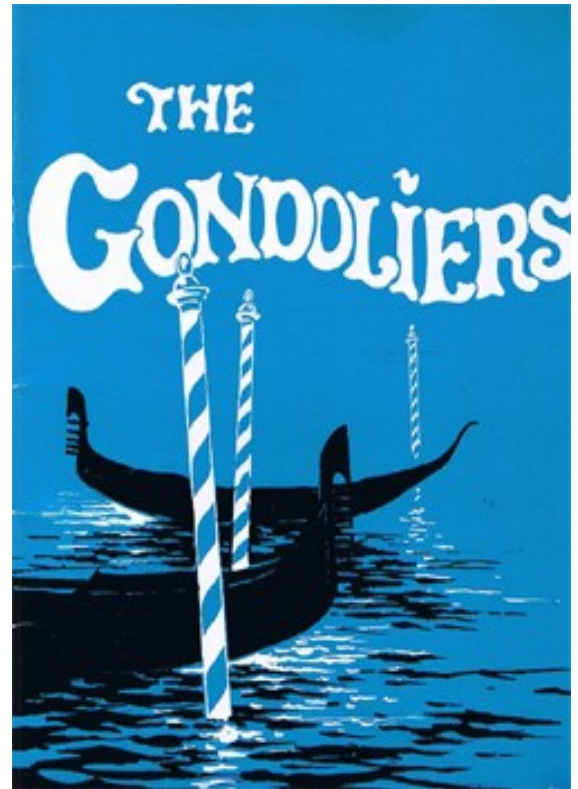
So why the poor subscription rate for GanderS?

We attracted just five subscribers. Two G&S members and three members of the public. We can't use the same list again so, if no one else signs up, the next issue will have just five readers.

If you want more GanderS, please go to

wolvertongands.co.uk and click on "GanderS"

Just a thought—do people still think in this day and age that "Subscribing" involves spending money? Surely not..... It doesn't.



YES, IT'S JUST 11 WEEKS!

21st—24th MARCH 2018

TELL YOUR ALL YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY



OTHER SHOWS

Musicals in Concert

With the WLO on 23rd/24th June 2018

Iolanthe 26/27th —30th March 2019

Summer 2019 (dates unknown)

We would like you to have a say on the Summer Show for 2019.

So, if you have an idea or two on this, then please let one of the Committee members know.

If you do not know them, look at the noticeboard photographs.