



## Wakefield Gilbert & Sullivan Society

# AUTUMN 2011 NEWSLETTER

### HMS Pinafore

Singing rehearsals are going well, we just need some more bodies at rehearsals so that we know who is committing to do the show. Just a reminder about the date of the show - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2012 to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012 with a matinee on the Saturday as well as an evening performance. Don't forget dress Rehearsal at the theatre on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

Also, the week after the show, the Society has a show at the Batley School for the Blind on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2012. It is looking likely that we will have at least one other Touring production during this week as well – so watch this space!  
Floor rehearsal schedule will be issued during November with floor rehearsals starting in the New Year!

The Society seems to have settled in to rehearsing at **Sandal Methodist Church**, and certainly the church is a good place to sing in! Thanks to Richard, Nadine and Margaret for dealing with the drinks at break-time! While we are all enjoying a refreshing brew, they are slaving away over a hot geyser and washing up bowl!

### Subscriptions

Subscriptions were due on 1<sup>st</sup> September. Full membership is £50 paid in 2 instalments – 1<sup>st</sup> inst. on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. on 1<sup>st</sup> January.

Please see that your subscription is paid promptly! Please see Martin (our Treasurer) or Margaret (our assistant Treasurer) to give them your money!

### Committee

We are still short of one committee member and desperately need a volunteer to come on to the committee!

If you would like to take a more active part in the running of the Society and see what it takes to organise a show, you will be made most welcome! The committee are a very friendly bunch, and meet once a month usually on a Monday evening. We rotate the venue around so you don't have to supply tea and coffee too often!

### Social Committee

Again, we still need some volunteers to be part of the Social Committee. This is not an onerous task, just needs a little bit of organisational skill, but mainly someone who enjoys a party! Please let the secretary know as soon as possible as our Christmas fuddle is approaching and the Beeltes won't drive themselves.

### Concerts

The Society is performing a concert on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm for the Dr Jackson Cancer Charity at the Central Methodist Church in Pontefract. There are 2 rehearsals for this concert on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. The programme will be similar to the West Bretton and St Helen's Church concerts. Jen Whittam will be MD, Martin Whitaker will be accompanist and Peter Bolton will be MC.

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## Carol Singing

The Society is in the process of organising Carol Singing at Wakefield Market. This will be Saturday 10th December starting at 10.30. We will probably do three slots of 40 min each during the morning, one in the main Hall, one in the outside covered area and one in the Food Hall. Again watch this space for details!

The Society is also Carol Singing outside the new Sainsbury's at Trinity Walk. This will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm.

Both of these events are outside so wrap up warmly. We will be having a shared collection for the Hospice at both events.

## Website – [www.wakefieldgilbertandsullivan.org.uk](http://www.wakefieldgilbertandsullivan.org.uk)

Keep checking the website it has a lot of useful information on there and it will keep you informed of forthcoming events.

If you have any suggestions, please contact Amy Downes at rehearsal, at [publicity@wakefieldgilbertandsullivan.org.uk](mailto:publicity@wakefieldgilbertandsullivan.org.uk) or on 01924 223373

## 2011 Calendar

### November

		Time
1st	concert rehearsal	7.30
8th	concert rehearsal	7.30
<b>12th</b>	<b>Dr Jackson Concert, Pontefract</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>
15th	Pinafore	7.30
16th	Pinafore Principals	7.30
22nd	Pinafore	7.30
23rd	Pinafore Principals	7.30
29th	Pinafore	7.30
30th	Pinafore Principals	7.30

### December

6th	Pinafore	7.30
<b>10th</b>	<b>Carol Singing - Wakefield Market</b>	<b>10.30am</b>
13th	Pinafore	7.30
<b>19th</b>	<b>Carol Singing - Sainsbury's Trinity Walk</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>20th</b>	<b>Christmas Fuddle - Sandal Cricket Club</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>

### January

3rd	Pinafore floor rehearsal	7.30
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Items NOT in bold are at Sandal Methodist Church.

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