Kilmarnock Aeolian Male Voice Choir Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 8th February 2022 at 7.00pm

President: Derek McKay Vice President: Al Grant

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Choir Secretary's Report

The past two years activities have been dictated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Restrictions began just before our Annual Concert in March 2020 forcing it's cancellation; right through till the end of 2021 when re-introduced restrictions again forced the late cancellation of a much anticipated Christmas Concert.

During the Coci-19 lockdown choir members remained active on-line with individuals recording themselves singing their part solo, and this being assembled into a choir format by the Musical Director.

In my last report in March 2020 we had a complement of 47 singers and despite losing 4 members to retiral and ill health we have at this to 45 singers. This is sufficient to create a big male voice sound, but the aim remains to have a total membership in the mid-50s so that at any concert we would have at least 50 singers.

At March 2020 the choir's long serving Musical Director was about to retire. The then accompanist and Deputy MD agreed to step up to the post of Musical Director and over the following months a new accompanist was also appointed.

The resumption of choir practices in October 2021 saw the choir move its long standing rehearsal hall to a relatively modern building with easier access for all members.

The choir continues to be in good financial health despite there being no income from concerts, but that being offset by continuing member contributions and reduced expenditure.

Choir Secretary 6th February 2022