



## **Aureole Music Easter Newsletter**

We wish everybody a very fine Easter when it comes. It has been wonderful to see so many fantastic concerts and performances around Jersey during the last months and we have much to look forward to during the period of the Coronation and Liberation.

### **Monday Melodies**

Monday Melodies continues to run joyfully and smoothly with the help of our new administrator Claire Parslow. We are still affected by lockdowns and covid, as on at least two occasions we have been unable to sing at care homes due to infection. This has afforded us a couple of extra breakfasts though. (Aureole's signature social event!) Our profound thanks to the various leaders of Monday Melodies... Simone, Sue, Philly, Sue and Nicki.

Welcome to our wonderful new volunteers too!





## Sparky Parkies

Many will have seen the publicity around this fantastic group of singers. We have members who have Parkinson's as well as others who are carers or who have associations with Parkinson's Jersey Branch. We are delighted to have funding now (from the Community Foundation and Connect Me) to roll this out with Parkinson's Jersey for three years, with the help of Speech Therapists Sarah Lock and Trish Williams, pianist Terri O'Donoghue and Nicki Kennedy. Janine, Margaret and Marion from Parkinson's make sure it all happens every week, and our fab Katie Porter is our Aureole Volunteer and support for all the practical things.

We celebrated St Patrick's Day in style with kazoos, singing, boxing and poetry, and with Jane Horsfall on the harp. It was our first visit from our new Patron, Dr Kyd.





## **Board Expansion and Branding!**

Aureole Music is having a mini rebrand! We are hugely grateful to Brad O'Connor who has designed new logos for Monday Melodies and Sparky Parkies which are being finalised now. He has also updated and modernised our umbrella logo, so look out for that on our communications. Carole Stockill, already known to many for her 'Laugh, Move and Groove' group has been helping us with keeping the website up to date, and Brad is now setting to work on a whole new website. So watch out for the new look!

As well as Claire Parslow joining us in the admin department, we have welcomed three board members since last Autumn.

We have already welcomed Catherine Cook as Treasurer and Jane Delap, and are now very pleased to announce we have a new Secretary, Becca Berry. Becca has a corporate background in finance, and now runs her own consulting company. She is a wonderful addition to the management committee and we are very pleased to have her on board.





## Summer Dates

### Diary Dates and Membership:

If you wish to sing with Monday Melodies, please contact us to fill out a membership form and be added to the team list.

Contact [nicki@aureolechoir.co.uk](mailto:nicki@aureolechoir.co.uk)

**Coronation Weekend:** We have some instrumentalists playing in care homes over the weekend, but as most people are busy singing with other choirs we have avoided too much activity for our singers. However, we will consider this in the coming weeks if there is a will to participate in something as Aureole choir!

### **Charity Walk and Sing: Sunday 21st May 10am**

*Further details to follow but please hold that morning if you'd like to join us. Our walk will have options for longer and shorter routes. Meet location to follow.*

### **Busking and Flag Week 6th to 10th June**

*Our charity collection week in St Helier is the week of 6th June, so we will be arranging some busking to raise money on the Friday and Saturday 9th and 10th that week. Do please hold the dates if you'd like to join us, or know anyone who would like to raise money for Aureole.*

### **Kindness Festival 12pm September 9th**

*Aureole will have a stall, and we will have a slot singing at 12pm. We hope that members of the Sparky Parkies will also join us!*

## AGM

Our AGM will be on May 15th at 7.15pm. Further details and due notice will be given but save the date!

