

Thank you to all that came and sang with John Rutter

It was a wonderful day filled with fun and music
The sound of a choir of 400 happy singers under the skilful direction of John Rutter was a joy to the ears.

Here are some of your comments on the day

Some of those that attended have been kind enough to send the Friends their thoughts on the day and we thought you might like to see what they wrote.

Just wanted to say thank you for organising a superb Singing Day today. John Rutter was his inimitable self, but you made it all possible!. Looking forward to the next event.

Many thanks again

Katrina

I want to thank you personally for organising such a perfect day. John Rutter was, as always, such an inspiration. The venue was splendid for such a large number of singers (even the toilets worked well this time!). The weather complimented the occasion too. Thank you Richard from me and all the other singers coming from the Orpington Chorale. We enjoyed a wonderful day of singing. We hope to come to more of these days in the future.

Caryl

I just wanted to thank everybody whose hard work produced such a glorious day yesterday. I have been singing for over 60 years and John Rutter has always been a great favourite of mine. Such a clever yet down to earth man. Thank you one and all

Lynne

A very Big Thank you!

Richard, Sally and your hard working team, Thank you so much for organising another John Rutter sing along Day. We all had a wonderful time and PLEASE may we have a fourth? We do appreciate all the effort that has to be put into organising the event and look forward to the updated website!

With grateful thanks,

Penny, David, William and Rupert Walter and Rosie

Thanks so much, Richard for organising that fabulous day yesterday. Last time I came I asked John Rutter when he was going to New Zealand as my sister who lives there was dying to meet him. By good fortune she is staying with me at the moment so was able to come along, and thoroughly enjoyed it! John doesn't need to make that long journey now!!

An enormous thank you too to Sally and all your team. It's obviously an enormous amount of organisation/ time and energy but I can assure you it is very greatly appreciated by us all.

Many thanks again, and hope you've had your feet up today!

Sarah

What a wonderful day it was on Saturday. My third time and equally as enjoyable. J.R is a joy to be with. Lucky me.....us. Thanks to you and your team again. You worked so hard on the smooth running of the day.

Sue

Just to say this was one of the highlights of my singing experience so far. The repertoire was extensive and just the right amount of challenge. The sound was marvellous in St Nicholas Church and everything was so well organised. John took us through with great humour and generosity-what an inspirational and lovely man he is. I loved the experience of being guided through the beautiful music which he had composed/arranged/curated. He seemed to bring out the best in our voices with very little rehearsal and I feel much more confident in sight reading after the practice. I cannot wait to do it all again please!

Vivien

Thank you for your email and all the hard work you and your team put into making Saturday such a wonderful success. I thoroughly enjoyed the day, my 2nd John Rutter come & sing day with you, and would most definitely like to do a 3rd should the opportunity arise.

Elaine

Thank you

Matt

I thoroughly enjoyed the day. My thanks to John, yourself and your team.

Bev

It was an amazing day Thank you so much! The organising team was outstanding! From those scanning tickets to those serving tea and doing the car park! Everyone was delightful! I didn't want to leave!

Bev

Thank you for a wonderful day, we all thoroughly enjoyed it. Here's to the next one!!

Catherine

Myself and my colleagues from The Uckfield Singers thank you for organising once again a lovely uplifting John Rutter day.

Joan

I very much enjoyed the day and have attached a couple of photos. Please keep in touch and let me know about future events, particularly if you are hosting another John Rutter day any thanks for your hard work.

Jenny

It was a brilliant day on Saturday, thoroughly enjoyable and I think we did John proud with our singing.

Well done to your team, and yes, they all did an excellent job. Here's to the next one!

Erica

Thank you for arranging the fantastic day.

Julia

It was a wonderful day. Very inspiring and interesting. Thank you and your team for all your organisation.

Graham and Maggie

I would like to thank you and your team for arranging such a marvellous fun day. I cannot imagine how much work it entailed to put it together and deliver the occasion but I for one am most grateful you did it.

Irene

A great day Thank you

Rick

It was indeed a most successful and uplifting day. Thank you so much for all the work you undertook in organising and running it so well. I am sure we all went home with smiles on our faces and at least one song in our hearts!

Mary

A wonderful day of singing with John, thank you so much for organising all so well.

Jan Perry

Thanks for organising the Rutter day, I enjoyed it hugely.

Michael

Thank you to you and the team for organising such a fantastic day with John Rutter on Saturday. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and would love to do something like that again.

Elizabeth Lamb

It was a wonderful day -thank you so much for organising it.

Joanna

Thank you. An excellent day.

Pam

Thank you and your team so very much arranging such an absolutely wonderful day - I enjoyed every minute and didn't want it to end! It was such a pleasure to meet John again and to sing with him as he makes it easy to understand just what he wants us to do. Please pass on my thanks and hope that the 'next time' will not be too far away.

Gina

It was certainly a wonderful day.

Mary

Thank you all for a wonderful event

Kit

It was indeed a great day!

Piers

Thank you for arranging such a delightful day. Your organisation was superb

Pat

Many thanks for organising Saturday. I enjoyed it immensely.

Sheila

When is the next one? A lovely day.

Joy

It was a wonderful day thank you for organizing it and thanks also to all the volunteer helpers who were so kind, friendly, patient, helpful and a pleasure to meet.

Rosemary

A day much enjoyed, not least because of the high-quality organisation on the part of yourself and your team, which our people are not tiring of mentioning..

John

Many thanks for organising Saturday. I enjoyed it immensely.

Sheila

Thank you so much for organising the super singing day with John Rutter. It was so well done and he is just the most inspiring and lovely person. I have attended every one but for me this was the best but it could be because my musical knowledge has grown since the first! My thanks again to you and all your helpers.

Marjorie

It was an absolute triumph today! Indeed, the third in a row, which is just amazing. Thank you for such a marathon undertaking.

Althea

This was the best singing day I have ever been to, John was on top form and the programme was very enjoyable. The organisation of the day seemed quite relaxed and friendly, not over organised.

However I am aware that a great deal of effort has been expended to achieve such great event.

Thank you to you and your team

Jan

Thank you for arranging the John Rutter day - it was brilliant .

Angela

Thank you for organising the John Rutter sing day. Although I have been to others before they are always so inspirational and uplifting.

Diana

Thank you so much for organising such a brilliant event. I am not a very experienced singer and my sight reading is not the best, but somehow John managed to get me through with no problems. Completely enjoyed every moment and the joyous act of singing was made even better by the wonderful sound that was achieved. I would love to do it again, indeed can't get Saturday's music out of my head at the moment.

Sue

Many thanks to you all for hosting such a fantastic day. I attended with my mum, and we both thoroughly enjoyed it. The organisation before and on the day was absolutely superb!

Helen

An excellent day and well organised

Lesley

A big thank you to you and your wonderful team. We thoroughly enjoyed last Saturday and will remember it for a long time. The organisation was superb and the day ran very smoothly. What a treasurer John Rutter is. Surely a knighthood should be heading his way. Thank you for your hard work.

Barbara

Thank you, and your team, Richard for a wonderful day. Lovely range of music with old favourites and new, and good to meet John and hear all his tales. The organisation was well done. Looking forward to another event in the future.

Liz

14th was excellent, thank you!

Robert & Ruth

I was sorry not to be able to find you at the end of the day last Saturday - to say a big 'thank you' to you and the whole team from St. Mary's for providing us with such a wonderful day. Your organisation for this is tremendous and makes everything run seamlessly - at least from the front! I did sing at this event a couple of years ago and was so pleased to be able to do so again. It was good to re-visit some favourite pieces as well as learn new music.

Wendy

Thank you for organizing the event. We really enjoyed it.

Marian

It was a very special and splendid day with John Rutter; he was quite terrific. Indeed, surely all realised from outset, what a great personality he is and to say nothing of his wonderful music; which I learn to play (organ and piano) with pride and pleasure. Certainly it was an awesome opportunity for me as I learn more about choral singing; and although rightly demanding, it surely equalled and surpassed many of the similar, and/or auspicious musical events around. Mind, I believe you were correct to charge as you did; thus achieving the joy that a full Church can bring. Luckily I had a chance to briefly chat to Peter Harlow the accompanist) and was pleased that he was appropriately applauded for his generous input for all.

So - well done to you and your volunteers. How did you manage all the scores? I also thought St Nicholas Church provided a very friendly environment and is clearly thriving, as I hope, St Mary's is. With blessings to all for such exemplary Christian efforts and success.

Christina

Very enjoyable Richard, as on the previous occasion. Thanks for all your hard work – and of your team.

Brenda

On behalf of the 5 ladies from All Saints church in Cranham Essex I would like to thank you for organising the Rutter sing day. We have attended before and it really is an honour to be led by a truly wonderful composer/conductor.

The day is always great fun and we love every minute. Please keep me updated of other events and also when John will be with you again. Count us in!!

Valerie