

# TREORCHY MALE CHOIR



## BRIEF HISTORY 1968

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## **FEBRUARY**

**Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup>**

**BBC Studios, Cardiff**

The Choir filmed a programme for BBC Wales.

**Tuesday February 6<sup>th</sup>**

**BBC Studios, Cardiff**

The Choir returned to the studios to film the programme for BBC Wales.

## **MARCH**

**Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**St David's Church, Ton Pentre**

The Choir made a radio broadcast for the BBC

**Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Rehearsal Room, Treorchy**

The Choir filmed a programme for HTV.

## **APRIL**

**Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Bodringallt Chapel, Ystrad**

The concert in Ystrad featured Sam Griffiths and Herbert Jones.

**Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Brangwyn Hall, Swansea**

The Choir embarked on a forty-year relationship with the EMI Record Company by recording their first long-playing album for the label called "The Pride of Wales."

**Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Park & Dare Theatre, Treorchy**

The third Good Friday concert with the Park & Dare Band also featured piano soloist Marion Williams.

**Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Colston Hall, Bristol**

A concert was held for the Salvation Army Bristol's Easton Road Corps. Also featured were Margaret Veale and Ken Cushing (pianists), Richard Martin (cornet) and the Bristol Easton Road Band.

## **MAY**

**Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**The Pavilion, Weymouth**

The Choir appeared with Sam Griffiths and Herbert Jones.

**Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**BBC Studios, Cardiff**

The Choir made a programme for BBC.

## **JUNE**

**Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**St Mary's, Truro, Cornwall**

The Choir spent an enjoyable weekend in Cornwall thanks to an invitation from the Cornish Welsh Society. The first concert raised funds for the Truro Methodist Youth Club Fund and featured Sam Griffiths and Idris Higgon.

**Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Hendra Wesley, St Ithians, Cornwall**

The Choir's second concert for the church fund featured Sam Griffiths and Idris Higgon.

## **SEPTEMBER**

**Thursday September 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Bethany Chapel, Treherbert**

Celebrating the centenary of the chapel, with Elvira Henry and Harry Price.

**Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Treorchy RFC Clubhouse**

The Choir entertained a team of rugby players from Zambia.

## **OCTOBER**

**Friday October 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Boys Grammar School, Caerphilly**

A concert, organised by the Caerphilly Music Club and its president Alun Hoddinott featured Elvira Henry and Herbert Jones.

**Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup>**

**The College, Caerleon**

The concert featured piano duet G. Hart and G. Prosser and soprano Heather Jones, bass K. Lisk.

**Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Methodist Church, Blackwood**

A concert organised by the Bedwellty Urban District Council featured Harry Price and Herbert Jones.

## **NOVEMBER**

**Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Wood Street Church, Cardiff**

A concert was held in aid of the Royal Signals Association and featured Sam Griffiths and Idris Higgon.

**Wednesday November 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Memorial Hall, Barry**

A concert was held in aid of the National Institute for the Blind in celebration of the centenary of the institute and featured the Cardiff Penillion Singers.

## **DECEMBER**

**Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Lewis Merthyr Club, Porth**

The Choir performed in Porth for handicapped people from the Rhondda. Soloists were Sam Griffiths, Idris Higgon and Harry Price.

**Thursday December 12<sup>nd</sup>**

**Welfare Hall, Beddau**

A concert was held for the Bryn Celynnog School Brass Band and was compered by Russell Sheppard.

**Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Glanrhyd Hospital, Bridgend**

A concert was held for the patients and staff of the hospital with soloists Sam Griffiths and Idris Higgon