**Pennine Spring Music Information Sheet 2018**

**Venues**

Members should report to their respective rehearsal venues on the first day. Rehearsal schedule are on the Members Area of the website [www.penninespringmusic.co.uk](http://www.penninespringmusic.co.uk)

Choir Members should go on Monday 28th May to **Hebden Royd Methodist Church**, **Market Street, Hebden Bridge, HX7 6EU**  for the morning rehearsal.

<http://calderdalemethodists.org.uk/churches/hebdenbridge.php>

Parking is limited at Hebden Royd Methodist Church, you may have to park further away and walk, or travel as a group in one vehicle from your parking spot if people are limited as to how far they can walk.

The Orchestra will be in the **Heptonstall Bowling Club, Acre Lane, Heptonstall HX7 7LT** on Monday 28th . This has a large car park which is signposted ‘ festival parking’ <http://heptonstallclub.co.uk/location/>. They have an honesty box for car park users to make voluntary donations for parking.

**Transport**

**Trains:** Hebden Bridge has good train connections to Leeds, Manchester and connecting stations. <http://ojp.nationalrail.co.uk/service/planjourney/search> .

There is engineering work taking place on Sunday 27th so please check before travel.

**Buses:** Heptonstall is served by the no 596 Bus Hebden Bridge Station – Heptonstall- Blackshaw which runs half-hourly throughout the day, hourly on Sundays. The journey time from Hebden Bridge to Heptonstall Longfield is 10 minutes. Frequency reduces after 6pm but buses run until around 22.30. <https://www.wymetro.com/search-results/?search=hebden+bridge&imgSearch=Button>

Sunday service on bank holiday Monday at quarter to the hour from Heptonstall, quarter past the hour from Hebden Bridge

**Taxis** : Valley – 01422 844070 or 01422 844781 Hebden – 01422 845555

**Rehearsals**

Please see the Rehearsal Schedule attached for where you should be each day .

Key:

HRM - Hebden Royd Methodist Church – at the end of Market Street (next to the Co-op) See attached map and link to their website..

BC -Heptonstall Bowling Club(follow festival parking signs);

Ch - St. Thomas’ Parish Church, Heptonstall

**Music**

All music will be provided during the week. However, if you would like to view the music to practice in advance, many of the scores are available to download the non-copyright pieces from the imslp website <http://imslp.org/> Be aware that these are just for practice, and won’t necessarily be the editions that you will be playing or singing from in the Festival.

**Food**

**Heptonstall:**

Bank Holiday Monday - Home made soup, rolls and cake will be available as usual on Monday lunchtime and served in the **Bowling Club Heptonstall** for the orchestra. Choir members are welcome to join but may prefer to stay in Hebden Bridge.

Tea and coffee- is provided at each rehearsal session break at all venues. Chocolate biscuits available to buy. If you’d like your own pottery mug for the week, and save using disposables we now have ‘Pennine Spring’ mugs for sale.

Cross Inn – Has been closed for refurbishment over the winter but should be open and have food available during opening times.

White Lion – Food available during opening times, full menu Weds - Sat. Best to pre-order 01422 842027

Towngate Tearooms – provide snacks & light meals throughout the day. Open until 6.30pm.on concert nights. Recommend pre-ordering to avoid delays at busy times. 07989 321931

Post Office- Sandwiches, cakes, drinks etc. (Closed for lunch 1-2pm)

**Hebden Bridge:**

Has a full range of cafés, restaurants, tearooms, fish and chip café and takeaways to suit most palates.

**Dress Code**

Please note that black tie dress code is required for all gentlemen members, and all black for the lady members, when performing.

Music Stands and Instrument Cases

Will all instrument players please bring their personal music stand.

Instrument cases should be left in designated areas, not on pews in the main body of the church. We can store cases etc in the vestry.

**Parking (Heptonstall)**

Parking is limited in the village. The church has no parking at all. The Bowling Club car park (as signed during the festival) and is by far the easiest, but does necessitate a bit of a walk if performing in the church. There is a smaller public car park approached via a narrow lane immediately below the Towngate Tearoom. Please park considerately as this is used by residents around the square and they need access in and out all day. Otherwise parking is allowed around the estate but please be aware that buses need to get through. If you park illegally, there are traffic wardens patrolling at all hours!

**Parking (Hebden Bridge)**

There is limited parking behind the Hebden Royd Methodist Church, please park compactly. Otherwise parking is as designated on the enclosed map sheet. There’s no meter charge on bank holiday.

The largest car park is near the railway station with a public car park, but be aware that this is used by rail commuters and is popular.

**Social Events**

Arrangements for a meal at Il Mulino on Monday evening at 7.30pm will allow everyone who has pre-ordered to meet and get to know each other at the beginning of the week.

There will be a social evening and quiz at the Bowling Club on Friday evening. There will be a hot buffet with veggie and non-veggie options. Food will hopefully be as good as ever. The charge is provisionally £6.50 but if there is any difference you will be advised at the start of the week. There will be a full bar and also soft drinks/tea/coffee for people wanting non-alcoholic refreshments.

**Admission to concerts**

Members, if not performing, are admitted to any concert organised or performed by Pennine Spring Music free of charge. (You are always welcome to give a donation of course.)

**Sectional rehearsals**

There will be some sectional rehearsals for Wind Players and Singers. Your conductors will advise at the start of the week .

**Website**

Remember to use the Pennine Spring website and Facebook pages for latest updates before the Festival. [www.penninespringmusic.co.uk](http://www.penninespringmusic.co.uk). If you have colleague singers and players, especially tenors, basses and upper strings, please give them details of the week and encourage them to get in touch.

**Finally…**

You will remain a member of Pennine Spring Music for a year and we will retain you on our mailing list unless you request to be removed.

Everyone is invited to the Festival AGM which takes place in the week. The members are the core of the Festival. We welcome your involvement and feedback, so please do attend and help shape how the festival develops. We hope you will have a wonderful time.

Rona Courtney

Secretary – Pennine Spring Music

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