

## **Cambrian Male Voice Choir and MacMillans.**



Cambrian Male Voice Choir was recently invited to give a charity performance at the Dunraven Conservative Club in Penygraig, to

help raise funds for the MacMillan Nurses Charity, writes choir publicity officer Roy Gibbins. This was one of many charitable events supported by the choir.

With the choir taking to the stage dressed smartly in their unique uniform of grey chequered jackets white shirts and black trousers, they opened the first half of their performance with Let All Men Sing. The rapturous applause from a packed hall set the tone for the remainder of the evening. Musical Director Fred Nicholas welcomed everyone to the concert and introduced each song as the evening progressed. With delightful anecdotes and witty jokes he soon built up a great rapport with the audience. Accompanist Brian James was in fine form as ever, even though he seemed to have trouble with a rotating ceiling fan directly above where he was sitting. A new number, included in choir's repertoire, was a medley of international song anthems which was very well received. The choir finished the first half with that well known Welsh favourite S ospan Fach.

After a short break for bingo and a raffle, the choir opened the second half with Rhythm of Life. Second tenor John Skinner accompanied Brian Downes in the singing of Finnan Haddie that had the audience roaring their approval in appreciation. After Gwahoddiad had everyone's hair standing on the back of their neck, the choir finished the evening with an encore of Anthem. The choir left the stage to a standing ovation. The night was a great triumph of song and laughter, all for a great cause. A huge vote of thanks to Macmillan Nurses for our invite and we hope the charity has benefited greatly from the evenings proceedings.