

## **Chorister Profile – Peter Davey**



Peter is Secretary of the Cambrian Male Voice Choir. He was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 1961 in Cardiff. As a boy, he first attended Tonyrefail Primary School, followed by Tonyrefail Comprehensive School. He is married to Steph and they have two children Richard and Emma.

His first job was a Printroom Assistant at the Polytechnic of Wales (now the University of Glamorgan). He has been employed by the University ever since and he now holds the position of Print and Design Services Manager. He lists his hobbies as singing, golf, computers and

webmaster to the choir website.

Peter joined the choir in January 1990 as a second tenor. After just two weeks of him starting, the standing secretary relinquished his position and Peter was invited to fill the role. He accepted and has been secretary ever since. He explains his reasons for joining the choir. "I always enjoyed singing from a young age, taking part in School Eisteddfod, and in the school production of Oliver. I became a member of St. David's Church choir in the 70s, and was Deputy Head Chorister, then with my arm twisted by Linden Evans (Chairman) I joined the Cambrian and haven't looked back since". He was torn between two songs when asked to name his favourite. He decided on "Castilla" though "Autumn Leaves" was a close second.

Of his most memorable moment with the Choir Peter explains," There are so many to choose from, probably the first concert at the Royal Albert Hall followed by the World Choir event with 10000 voices at the National Stadium, where we backed Shirley Bassey. The impromptu concert outside St. David's Hall following the Rugby World Cup final in 1999 where a very large crowd gathered in the Hayes followed by TV camera's, fantastic".

Is he able to identify one venue which left a lasting legacy with him? Not quite one. He states "The Royal Albert Hall, Millennium Stadium, Vanier Hall, Prince George, Canada 2001" all hold great, unique memories. So what has belonging to Cambrian Choir personally meant to him? "Just being part of a choir which is held in high esteem throughout the choir community, the camaraderie and of course that sound that can make people cry one moment and laugh the next".

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In summing up, Peter presents his description of the Choir – "A great group of lads who can produce an unforgettable sound and many many unforgettable memories, extremely proud to be a member".

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