

BROMLEY BARBERSHOP HARMONY CLUB

History - Events of the Year 2008

Membership 47

Leavers – Geoff Beardall (Died); Jay Rastall.

Joiners - Bob Gilbert; Alan Lynch; Samuel Newlove-Agbonlahor; Simon Pollard; Tim Sowter; Michael Dyer; Robin Sumner; Bill Lazell; Clem Vickery; Dick Taylor .

Competitions

Convention – May Cheltenham. 16th Place with 63%

Song 1- Sweet Georgia Brown 62.3%

Song 2- If I Love You 63.7%

Quartets-BABS Prelims – Southern Brand 23rd of 39 with 54.4%

Croydon Music Festival, May. Quartet - Voice Male

Beckenham Music Festival – 1st/Honours in Large Choral, Gospel and Barbershop classes

Bromley Music Festival, Feb. Quartet – Cordon Bleu 1st, Distinction

Bournemouth Music Festival June Chorus 3rd Barbershop; 3rd Songs from Shows;

1st Spirituals; all Distinctions. Quartets- 2nd Voice Male; 3rd Southern Brand; Cordon Bleu; all Distinctions

Sing-outs Year to 31st July 2008

Kentones - 8 raising £1,617

Cordon Bleu - 4 raising £ 240

Donated Fees £1,507 Total £3,364

New Songs – South Rampart Street Parade; This is the Way to Amarillo; I Feel a Song Coming On; The Way You Look Tonight;

Other Events;

Convention intensive coaching by Martin Ford & Jackie Driscoll

New Shoes donated by Bill Holyday

Trophies -	Most Improved Singer	- Samuel Newlove-Agbonlahor
	Most Improved Stage Presence	- Robin Sumner
	Barbershopper of the Year	- David Southgate (Kentonian Editor)
	Quartet	- Voice Male

Financial Results

Deficit for the Year ended 31st July 2008 £755

Charity of the Year 2008/9 – Demelza Hospice, Bromley

Payments made in 2007/8-Demelza £1,680; British Heart Foundation £100; Rotary Club Charities £200; Harris Hospicecare £150; Christchurch Bexleyheath £100;Xmas Tree Appeal £214

Chorus Director **Mike Corr**

Asst CD's **Colin Couves**

Chairman **Denis Delaroute**

Committee **Brian Scothern (Hon Sec);Les Moore(Hon Treas);Peter Aylett; Geoff Mountney; Chris Garrard; John Weeks**

The Chorus at the Barbershop Cheltenham Convention, 2008



Cordon Bleu Group reformed “in the pink”, Dartford Masonic Singout, October.



The Kentones Chorus singing “Sweet and Lovely” to the waitresses in a marquee at a Rotary Club Tea in aid of Cancer Research at Halstead, Kent.



Southern Brand at Convention prelims Oct 2008 23rd Place of 39, with 54.4%

The Beckenham Music Festival

On the 29th November, The Kentones barbershop chorus under the direction of Mike Corr entered the Beckenham Music Festival singing in three classes, Large Choir, Gospel Choir and Barbershop. The chorus is very proud to have been awarded 1st Prize with Honours in all classes plus the Choral Trophy. The songs chosen were If I loved You, Do you hear the People sing, There's a meeting Here Tonight, Hush, Once Upon A Time and Sweet Georgia Brown. One of the chorus's four quartets 'Four's Company' also entered the competition and sang Hello Mary Lou and Old St Louis and was awarded a certificate of merit. This was quite an achievement for a quartet on its first public performance. The venue was Beckenham's beautiful St George's Church where the wonderful acoustics enhanced the enjoyment of singers and audience alike.