

A warm welcome to this afternoon's Concert – thanks for coming along and helping us raise money for St Helena Hospice.

### The Cavender Singers

2015 is a special year for The Cavender Singers as they are celebrating their twentieth anniversary. Four of the original seven ladies are on stage this afternoon including their founder and musical director, Kathryn Cavender.

Since those early days the singers have built an excellent reputation for their wide choice of repertoire, entertaining style of singing, and delightful harmonies. Over the years they have also helped raise thousands of pounds for charity across Essex and at venues further afield including concerts in London, Cornwall, Norfolk and Northumberland. They have recorded four CDs, produced a number of children and, in some cases, grandchildren and gained more than a few grey hairs.

It is a pleasure to be here again at the West Cliff with the West Bergholt Concert Band. Finally, thank you to you our audiences for all your support and enjoy this afternoon of musical nostalgia.

### West Bergholt Concert & Training Band

Today is also a very special anniversary for the band, as it's exactly 25 years since we performed a memorial concert here for the band's founder, Sid Cooper, who suddenly passed away here after playing for Mother Goose in January 1990. Myself and one other current band member were at that March 1990 concert and I still remember how difficult the concert was to play in, especially Dixie Patrol during which I finally lost my battle with the tears that had been threatening to appear all day.



Sid was a hugely popular, energetic and inspirational teacher and band leader, and was responsible for starting thousands of youngsters on their musical journey. I was blessed to have him as my first instrument teacher at Alton Park, and at the same time to have the encouragement and guidance of Kathryn Cavender. I'm therefore hugely grateful to Kathryn for joining us today.

The West Cliff has understandably remained a very special venue for the band, and at each of our March concerts here I always remember Sid & the many times he conducted the band on this stage. I'm incredibly proud of how the band continues to thrive and to provide a fun musical outlet to musicians of all ages, just as Sid intended. No doubt this afternoon's Dixie Patrol will again be somewhat emotional.

### Today's Concert

During last summer, with the anniversary of World War II looming, a concert title of "We'll Meet Again" popped into my head. I immediately realised that the concert wouldn't be complete without The Cavender Singers, and was delighted that they agreed to again join us. It's always a pleasure to perform with them, and I'm very much looking forward to the concert...I hope you all enjoy today as much as I will !

Thanks again for coming - and of course, feel free to join in at any point !

# West Bergholt Concert Band

# & The Cavender Singers

# We'll Meet Again

In Aid Of



St Helena Hospice  
your time...your hospice

Sunday 22nd March  
West Cliff Theatre



Founded in 1978 by Mr Sid Cooper  
 Graham Wilson - Musical Director  
 (1994 - 2015)



Kathryn Cavender - Musical Director

Nic Lawrence - Accompanist

1. Luftwaffe March Ron Goodwin arr Desmond Walker
2. The Homefront : Musical Memories from World War II arr James Christensen
3. As Time Goes By (\*) H. Hupfield arr Warren Barker
4. Stardust (\*) Parish & Carmichael arr Warren Barker
5. Oklahoma Rodgers & Hammerstein arr Edmonson
6. The Dambusters Eric Coates arr W.J. Duthoit
7. Colonel Bogey March Training Band F. J. Ricketts arr Eric Osterling
8. Yes! We Have No Bananas F. Silver & I. Conn arr Eric Osterling
9. Big Band Superhits arr Paul Murtha
10. Edelweiss Rodgers & Hammerstein arr John Moss
11. Pennsylvania Polka L. Lee & Z. Manners arr Eric Osterling
12. In The Mood Joe Garland arr Paul Murtha

1. Some Enchanted Evening Rodgers & Hammerstein
  2. How High The Moon Hamilton & Lewis
  3. A Nightingale Sang In Berkeley Square Maschwitz & Sherwin
  4. We'll Gather Lilacs Ivor Novello
  5. Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Raye & Prince
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6. 633 Squadron Ron Goodwin
  7. Glenn Miller In Concert arr Wayne Scott
  8. Spitfire Prelude William Walton arr Paul Noble
  9. Over The Rainbow (\*) Arlen & Harburg arr W.Barker
  10. Keep Smiling Through (\*) arr Darrol Barry
  11. Dixie Patrol Harold L. Walters

(\*) West Bergholt Concert Band and The Cavender Singers