



Welcome to the Gleemen Photo Album

This page contains photographs from the Gleemen Archive for 2025

2025 started with a couple of concerts held at Nantyffyllon Rugby Football Club, our rehearsal base and home of the Maesteg Gleemen. The first two photos below were taken at our first event of the year on 9/02/25 at a memorial concert for Mrs. Pat Jenkins.





The Maesteg Gleemen have always supported and helped raise funds for many charities. 2025 is no exception, so please contact us if we can help out your organisation in this way.

The next two photos were taken on 12/02/25 at a concert to launch a cancer support group in the Maesteg area.





On a very warm day, 29th April the Gleemen entertained the residents of Picton Court, and a good time was had by all.



On the 2nd May, the Gleemen were delighted to present a charity concert for Ty Hafan at The Riverboat, Caerau.





On the 8th May The Maesteg Gleemen sang at the Llangynwyd Village Hall for the 80th anniversary of VE Day celebrations. Fish and Chips suppers were provided by Emilia's Fish Bar in recognition of the role traditional British fish and chips shops played in helping to feed the nation during the war.





The Choir opened the evening's celebrations at the 1920s themed Mayor of Maesteg's Charity Ball on 17th May in our magnificently refurbished Maesteg Town Hall.







Every year the Maesteg Gleemen organise and present the Dunraven Welsh Singer of the Year in the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama. The competition started in 2003, and this year's event was held on 7th June, when, for the first time, the 19-31 year old class had joint winners, Erin Rossington, soprano, and Twm Tegid, baritone. What an afternoon of music making!



Here is a selection of photos from the event showing some of the finalists.





The choir also supports private events such as birthday parties, weddings and funerals in many different venues. On 15th June, we helped celebrate a surprise 80th birthday at the River Boat Club, 19th June we sang at a funeral at Coity to celebrate the life of Huw Owen, a very good friend of the choir for many years.

22nd June, was a busy day with another surprise 80th birthday party at Morgan's Hotel Swansea, followed by a trip to St. Mary's Priory, Chepstow to take part in an Elvis tribute Gospel event.









At Rehearsal on 26th June, we were able to present a cheque to Ty Hafan with the £670 raised from our charity events for the good cause. This was greatly appreciated.



On the 28th June, at Margam Crematorium, we supported a chorister and his family; give their loved one the send-off they felt she would appreciate.



On 4th July, we were joined by members of Curtain Up and winner of our junior Young Singer in St. Michael's Church, Maesteg to sing at a fundraiser for Velindre, organised by Darren Wines, son of our former secretary.

24th July, another Funeral at St Cynfelin's Church.

9th August, saw us singing 'en plein air' to support the 100-year anniversary event in Maesteg Park, followed by an appearance in the foyer of Maesteg Town Hall.



On the 28th September, the Gleemen supported the Elvis Gospel Show Porthcawl to a packed audience.



On the 18th October, Maesteg Gleemen were the special guests at the Kenfig Hill MVC Autumn Concert in the Cornelly Community Centre.





The choir sang at the Maesteg Food Market on the 25th October



On the following day, we were then helping a couple celebrate their wedding day at Coed y Mwstwr.



The Choir supported Remembrance Sunday on the 9th November at Maesteg Cenotaph then on the afternoon they entertained the diners at the 1832 restaurant in Porthcawl.



At Cottrell Park, we helped family and friends of Clinton Harris celebrate his life at a memorial afternoon on the 21st of November 2025. This was a frosty but sunny day in a lovely setting for the occasion.





On 28th November, we performed at a concert for the friends of Bridgend Carers at Bethlehem Church Life Centre, Cefn Cribbwr. We were joined by Delyth and Rhiannon, daughters of the late Huw Owen. Over £1000 was raised by the group during a wonderful evening of music making.



On 30th November, we performed in an annual and very poignant service for Loved and remembered babies in Swansea Minister Church.



Christmas Concert started at Tondur RFC on 5th December, swiftly followed by the Christmas tree lighting at Sarn Club on the 7th December.

Our music Director, Alun Hodges, was not sure how to react when approached by an unusual member of the audience.



8th December took us to sing carols with residents of Picton Court Porthcawl Care Home.

Here we can see Anthony Bwye performing a solo for the residents, with the backing of the choir located behind the camera.

This was followed by an afternoon at Cwm Calon Day Care Centre, in Maesteg, on the 10th December.

12th December brought our own party, a Christmas Dinner Dance at Nanty RFC, entertained by Brothers-in-Law always bringing out the dancers. Below are just a couple of the photos from this magical and well-organised evening.





On the 13th December, even after a late night at the dinner dance, the choir were out performing again at the Maesteg Christmas market. Some of the choir then went to sing Happy Birthday to Stuart Davies in his home for his 80th Birthday.



The following day, the 14th December, we were at Orchard House, Barry, again entertaining the residents.





The choir and Rhian Hughes (Soprano), also entertained the residents at the Bryn Celyn Residents Home on the 15th December.

On the 20th December 2025, we performed for the patrons of the 1832 Restaurant in Porthcawl.





The Choir's final performance for 2025 was on 21st December in the Old House Restaurant at Llangynwyd, Maesteg. In the two photos below are the choir getting ready once more to perform while wearing their now well-worn Christmas outfits and Gwyn Evans surprising a couple of patrons with his Mari Llywd performance.



This brought to a close a very busy 2025 where we had gained a number of new members but also lost a few long standing members of the choir.