

Letter from Lincoln

Hello again from Lincoln, hope you are all keeping well and are coping with this cold weather. Things are well with me and my treatment seems to be working OK.

I thought this month I would talk about my new interest, and believe it or not, it is singing! I was encouraged to attend a Barber Shop singing workshop, by a very good friend of mine, who is a member of the Lincoln Barber Shop Harmony Choir (Photo below).

The workshop is free and runs for six weeks, after which, hopefully, I will be able to sing in harmony. In the first workshop we established which range our voices were in, Lead, Tenor, Baritone or Bass. It was established that I was a Baritone and I felt reasonably comfortable in that role. Whether or not I will be good enough to carry on singing, and eventually join the choir, remains to be seen. The workshop leader is very experienced and encourages us all, without embarrassing us, or putting us on the spot.

It is a very sociable pastime and I am enjoying it very much. I have met some great people who are very helpful and supportive. The choir has been very successful over the years, singing in National events, and also performing locally at various gatherings. One day I may be in this photograph!



Wishing you all the very best at Holy Cross, I still take a great interest in what is happening and I look forward to seeing you all again very soon.

Ray Allen

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