

FREE OPEN AIR CONCERTS IN POLPERRO

Come and enjoy one of our famous free open-air concerts on Polperro Fish Quay. There are five concerts this year, all on Wednesdays at 7.30pm, on 28th June, 12th July, 26th July, 9th August and 23rd August. If you enjoy the singing, you can make a donation to our charities for this year, which are the British Heart Foundation and a little known charity called Reverse Rett.

The British Heart Foundation is leading the fight against coronary heart disease, which is the UK's single biggest killer, and is the largest independent funder of cardiovascular research.

Rett syndrome is a rare neurological disorder (first diagnosed in 1966 by Dr Andreas Rett) which most often strikes previously healthy little girls between their first and second birthday and leaves them with physical and communication disabilities for life. Rett syndrome is usually caused by a fault on a gene on the X chromosome and there is research evidence that girls with Rett syndrome do not have brain damage and that the genetic mutation could be reversed or its effects reduced. The charity Reverse Rett raises funds to support this research work.



The connection with the choir is that Lottie, the granddaughter of our Chairman David Lashbrooke, suffers from Rett Syndrome. She is a lovely and lively 6-year old but cannot speak properly and is unable to control her hands. Some girls experience much more debilitating symptoms. David is going to double all money collected by the choir for Reverse Rett so your donations will make a difference, no matter how small.

Richard Madeley, our choir President, says: "Having a daughter myself, I realise how devastating it must be to a family to receive a diagnosis of Rett Syndrome. The charity Reverse Rett gives them hope and I fully support the efforts of the choir to raise money for this important cause." Even if you can't get to one of the concerts, you can help David and the choir raise money for Reverse Rett at: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/polperro-fishermens-choir>.

IF WET, THE CONCERTS WILL BE IN THE METHODIST CHAPEL – YOU WILL SEE A SIGN OUTSIDE THE CHAPEL AS YOU WALK DOWN THROUGH THE VILLAGE.

After our free open-air concerts, the ~~Wreckers~~ will be singing in the lovely Old Millhouse Inn in Polperro, at about 9.30pm. It's also free!