**Circular Keys Chorus**

**Team Coordinator report for AGM 2014 – 15**

2014 became a very different year when I was elected TC of the chorus.

After being approached by one of the management team committee I thought long and hard about taking on this role. I had huge shoes to fill after Liz and I didn’t know everyone very well. I knew this was a good time for me though and my attitude was more ‘why not’ rather than “no way”! I had been in the chorus for 3 years and never felt more at ease and at home with a group of people. CKC was giving me so much enjoyment with new friends, a fantastic educational experience in learning to sing and a wonderful opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that promotes fun and fitness of a new kind. This past year has continued to bring me all this and more as I have grown and learnt so much about Sweet Adeline management and our own unique team.

It’s not about me though, and never was. It’s all about the team.

Where else can you be surrounded by a bunch of sisters who all just want to sing with you, who are interested and supportive of you? In times of personal troubles some of your sisters will carry you when you are at your lowest and stay beside you as you gather strength to get back up. This is even true when we are learning new songs, struggling to fit everything we do into one day or a week or a month in order to perfect our craft. This marathon-like journey we are on together may be intermittent at times but there is no doubt that we are here to stick together.

As your TC this past year I thank every one of you for taking me on this journey with you. For your support, encouragement and friendship I thank you all. From our newest member to our longest serving we cannot do it without you. I congratulate you all for taking on challenges you may never have imagined you’d do, because in doing so you have contributed to the smooth running of the chorus, and we are a truly great chorus. Thank you to all the leaders of committees who have contributed so much this past year. Your time and efforts with your groups and your commitment has been amazing and very much appreciated.

I speak for you all: CKC is a team united in song and we wouldn’t be here if it wasn’t for our wonderful director Vicki. Vicki, your expertise in teaching us how to sing in the a capella style, introducing us to wonderful new songs, challenging us to keep going and improve and your commitment to us as individuals is brilliant. You and Steph and the wonderful music team behind you work so hard. We thank you all for your passion, drive and time you all put in for us to keep having so much fun and take us places we often only dream about.

To the management team: I may have been the head but you have been my spine, my pelvis, legs and feet. You kept me on the straight and narrow, you seemed to enjoy swivelling me in new directions and you kept me tall and on firm footings to lead. On behalf of the team I want to thank you all so much for your long and great commitments. You have brought knowledge, time, passion and support to your roles to make the chorus run so well.

While some of you step down after many years in your roles we, the Team thank you so much for all you have done and wish you the very best in your new-found freedom.

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