Glee Singing for Pleasure Group Report 2026

2026 has been a very successful year for the Glee group with several new members joining: bringing the total number of members to 61. Luckily, we never get every single person coming to the same session. There seems to be some kind of natural rotation among the members with people missing sessions at different times as a result of taking holidays, medical appointments, etc. Most of the time, there are between 40 and 45 people attending the fortnightly sessions.

We still focus on the idea of "singing for pleasure" rather than performance, because it is of great benefit to our health and wellbeing. As a result, the group contains people with the full range of singing ability.

In August, a few volunteers joined me at St Lawrence's Church to provide the entertainment during their afternoon tea. We sang a number of Beatles songs, which were extremely well received.

All of the u3a Music Groups are actively involved in the joint venture of coming together for a concert in January 2027. I have been busy with the committee preparing for the event. Using the more confident singers from Glee, I have gathered together a group of 17 volunteers who will be singing as a traditional choir at the event. This will be our first serious venture into the field of performance.

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