



# Transpennine Harps - a branch of the Clarsach Society

<https://transpennineharps.org/>

Newsletter Autumn 2021

**Hello to all of our harpists.**



Another season to embrace, and a few months of some great harp opportunities. The main one is our second annual 2 day festival planned November 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. A superb set of workshops led by Tamsin and Lucy, please see details below and on our website.

## **Can we meet together to play?**

**Yes.....** we have booked the Queen's Hall, Burley -in-Wharfedale for **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October** for a harp session with Lucy.



A beautiful high ceilinged room with plenty of space for harps, bags, music stands and stuff. There is also a car park at the rear. The post code is LS29 7BT.

*I think I have forgotten what it is like to pack up my harp and carry it somewhere!!*



**We hope you can join us.** *To be Covid safe, please bring along proof of your double vaccination and a negative lateral flow test from the morning of the 17<sup>th</sup>.*

**Moving forwards, we anticipate a blend of Zoom sessions and in person sessions for 2021- 2022.**

## **Ben Rhydding Community Choir**

Once again BRCC have invited TP Harps to join them 'in song ' at their concert in 2022, (we also get our own spot!) The song is, **This Is Home**, by Sophia Efthimiou, and is sung by the AcaBella group of the choir. There will be a harp accompaniment which Lucy has arranged, with four parts in total, including beginners and intermediate. We hope to join BRCC and Keely, their musical director, in early November for the first run through with the choir.

If you would like to give this a try, (it's very different playing music for a choir), but not necessarily play at the concert, you will still be welcome to join us, there will be zoom rehearsals for harps, as well as choir rehearsals.

For further information please contact Jean.

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## **Events coming up**

**October 17<sup>th</sup>**.....Lucy group meet up in person in the Queens' Hall Burley in Wharfedale. LS29 7BT.



## Nov 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Transpennine Harps Festival.

We are hugely excited to announce our second annual Transpennine Harps Festival weekend!

There will be a wide variety of workshops for players of all abilities, as well as an informal livestream concert by the indefatigable Lucy Nolan and Tamsin Dearnley. The Festival is open to all and provides a wonderful opportunity to learn, ask questions, and to meet and chat with other harp enthusiasts!

Although we had intended to make this Festival a mixture of live and online classes, owing to the continuing uncertainty around meetings and travel we have decided to keep our online format this year as well - we were AMAZED at the positive response last year, and we really are so grateful to all our members and supporters for their incredible enthusiasm even under difficult circumstances.



Each workshop will cost £5 (or the equivalent in your local currency).

There will be a by-donation livestream concert/ Q & A session on the Saturday evening with the tutors.

We will be using the beautifully straightforward booking system 'Zestival' (if you came to our 'Spring Strings' event you will be familiar with this - if not, we promise it's super easy to use!). It would be very helpful if you would provide us with a phone number when booking (this will not be kept after the event) so that we can get in touch quickly in the (hopefully unlikely!) event of any technical issues before or during the workshops.

Please book via our website <https://transpennineharps.org/diary.html>

### 14<sup>th</sup> November

12-1.15pm Zoom workshop Slow Strings with Lucy.

2-4pm Workshop for all with Lucy.



## 28<sup>th</sup> November

9.30am Classical group.

## 5<sup>th</sup> December

2-4pm Zoom workshop with Lucy, and it may just be a bit Christmassy!!

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