



Yorkshire Carols on tour

The Albert Hotel

Port St Mary

Saturday January 2nd 6.00 pm

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**As featured in the BBC documentary "The Truth about Christmas Carols"
(available on iPlayer)**

Mass singing of Christmas carols in the pubs of Sheffield and North Derbyshire has been going on for over 150 years, and has been described as one of the most remarkable instances of popular traditional singing in the British Isles. Local compositions, and Christmas songs that have been pushed out of the mainstream of the national carol repertoire have survived in these unofficial places, kept alive by the sheer love of singing of the participants. Packed in closer than an old-style football crowd, and with pint glasses in hand, singers roar out the unique repertoire of Christmas songs that have become such an essential part of Christmas for many people in the area, and for many regular visitors from around the country and abroad. The songs, if unfamiliar at first, are easy to pick up.

This year, this will probably be the only live event in the whole of the British Isles.

Come along and lend your voice...

More information at <http://www.localcarols.org.uk/sfn.php>