

## Setanta Summer Concert 2016

'SOLD OUT'

**Friday the 13th turned out to be a very good day for Setanta!**

For an organisation like ours one of the best moments has to be when you see a sign over your concert poster that it is 'SOLD OUT'!

On Friday 13th May we had a sell out concert in The Crowne Plaza Hotel, our guest soloist was 'The Singing Chef' Eugene Ginty and our programme included a selection of the most popular opera choruses ever written, some popular songs from our wide repertoire, and the final selection sent our audience home with a spring in their step, a lighter heart and a medley of tunes in their heads!

The format was less formal than usual. The audience was greeted with a glass of wine, with seating provided at tables. A light supper was served at the interval, and it was also possible for those who wished, to head to the bar for the odd tipple during the performance! This arrangement seemed to work very well, with everyone enjoying the evening in a more relaxed atmosphere than the more formal Church or Concert Hall venue!

Our guest Eugene Ginty was extremely popular with both the choir and audience. His easy going manner and rapport with everyone helped to make the evening such a success! One of the highlights of the evening had to be the wonderful Brindisi which he sang with our very own soprano, Clodagh Davies with the choir as chorus!

Setanta first got together in 1978, so, 2018 will see us mark our 40th birthday! For this occasion we hope to join with the National Concert Orchestra for a special concert. The cost of bringing the Concert Orchestra here is of course very expensive, so we are glad to say our fundraising efforts at Friday's concert set us nicely on our way to raising the much needed funds.

Thanks to all our loyal fans for being there and we hope to see you again at our Christmas Concert in the Heritage Centre, Carlingford on Sunday afternoon 11th December. Further details later.

We would also like to take this opportunity to pay special thanks to our sponsors for the evening:

**Matthews Allcare Pharmacy, Park St. Dundalk.**

**The Crowne Plaza Hotel, Dundalk,**

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