



## **What do you need to know?**

**Ruby, Dolly and Rose are all based in Devon, but we are very happy to consider engagements virtually anywhere.**

**What's the event?** We'll put together a show to suit whatever you are planning. A wedding, a special birthday party or anniversary, a tea party, a fete, a tea dance, a vintage event, a fun day, a seated concert, a country fair, a festival – we'll fit in with just about any gathering!

**Can we play music when not singing?** Yes we can provide recorded music to suit the moment, or deliver your own playlist from your phone before/between/after live performance. We can also provide a microphone for your use.

**Special requests** (costume, song choice, birthday tribute)? Go on – try us!

**Do we come on our own?** For small events we may manage our performance area ourselves. Generally we'll bring a technician/roadie to look after things, or co-ordinate with an event sound tech.

**Performance area.** The minimum space we need is 2m depth x 4m wide, safe and appropriate for our performance. It needs to be well-lit, solid & dry underfoot, and on a firm level surface. If the show is outdoors please plan a wet-weather option. We can supply a backdrop on a frame (max 3m x3m) in cream or black. We also have a range of flags and bunting available, & can bring lights if needed.

**Performance timings.** Our most common timings are 2 sets of 40 minutes with a minimum 30 minutes break between sets. The maximum single set length is generally just over an hour. For a dinner we are often asked to sing during the drinks reception and then again after dinner for dancing. Tell us what you have in mind and we'll work with you to achieve it.

**Costume.** We have a number of costumes – all with a vintage look. Day dresses, summer frocks, evening wear and United Services Organisation uniforms as worn by many US entertainers when working in the European and Pacific theatres of operation during WW2. We can offer a costume change between sets if we are performing more than one set, so please discuss this with us when booking. We usually wear heels – if this is unsuitable at your event please let us know. Because our performance requires us to be in costume and makeup we appreciate a private area to change and safely leave our personal items - ideally with a mirror, power supply, lighting, dry underfoot and with some way of hanging clothes. We need somewhere quiet to rest and sit down between sets. If any of this presents difficulties please let us know so that we can make other arrangements.

**Our electrical equipment.** This is generally less than 1 year old and well-maintained. For anything older, electrical testing is carried out at the appropriate intervals. If specific information relating to this is required it must be requested at the time of booking. The Trio will ensure that our equipment is kept in good safe working order. If you'd like to know the specifications of our PA and other equipment please ask at the time of booking.

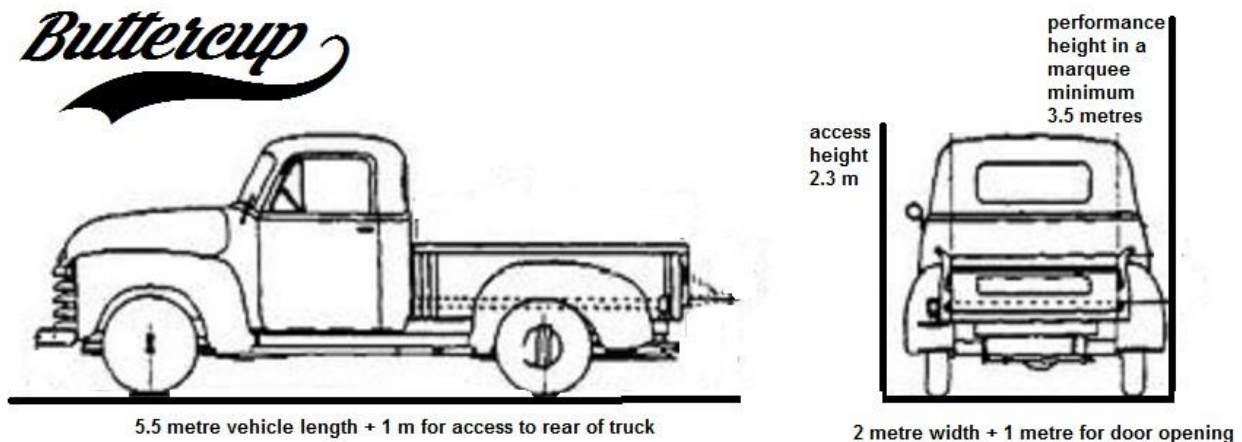
**Power supply.** We need a standard single 13 amp domestic socket (not shared with anything else on site, especially not kitchen equipment). If its an outdoor power supply, appropriate adaptors/convertors and RCD protection must be supplied to allow us to connect standard UK plugs. For outdoor events we can provide a silent generator by prior arrangement, allowing you to locate us away from buildings and services if needed.

**Public Liability Insurance.** We're insured for £10,000,000 through Hencilla Carnworth. Please ask if you need details.

**Food and drink.** We'll count on you for a supply of drinking water and a cuppa. If our time with you

coincides with a mealtime or is for a lengthy period we will need some kind of meal to keep us going! If you can't feed us please let us know so that we can make other arrangements.

**Buttercup the truck** – for outdoor events you might like us to bring Buttercup as our stage. She weighs 1.5 tons, and here's the rest of the technical info:



**Buttercup is a bright yellow original unrestored 1953 GMC pickup from California. If you'd like to book her please consult us for further info when carrying out your event risk assessment, especially if you'd like Buttercup inside a marquee or barn or any structure.**

**Fee structure.** We aim to find a way to work with your requirements and your budget. To help you plan – allow for a performance fee of around £550 for a party or public event. Care homes and day centres – give us a call to see what special arrangements we can offer. Buttercup the vintage truck may be booked as our stage for a very reasonable fee (from £50 for a local show). Once we've discussed your particular requirements we'll quote you a fully inclusive fee.

Costs may vary, depending on:

- The total length of time you need us for.
- Meal expenses, if relevant.
- Whether we need to bring PA & sound technician.
- Significantly early arrival or delayed departure.
- Our travelling times and the distance.
- The use of our equipment for other purposes at the event.

**Cancellation policy** *An agreed non-returnable deposit will secure your booking, negotiable, of course, should Govt. covid restrictions recur. You will receive a detailed signed performance agreement from us.*

***If you cancel your booking with us less than 2 weeks before the event date, full payment is due.***

**You can trust us to do what we have promised – our reputation is extremely important to us. In the very unlikely event that we cannot fulfil our commitment to you we will, of course, do everything we can to help find an appropriate substitute. However, beyond returning any monies paid to us we can accept no liability of any kind if, due to circumstances beyond our control, we cannot perform for you.**

***Whilst we will consider a limited number of charity events and concessionary arrangements each year, we cannot perform without covering our personal expenses***

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