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IN TUNE: Virginia Humphrey-Taylor, master musical director and singing teacher from Christchurch (left) urges the Sounds of Hawke's Bay Chorus along. She stands alongside the Hawke's Bay chorus's musical director, Lana Morgan.

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Expert aids chorus

The Sounds of Hawke's Bay Chorus received extra training earlier this month from internationally respected master musical director and singing teacher Virginia Humphrey-Taylor.

Virginia, from Christchurch, is renowned for her work with ensembles throughout Australasia.

She made her mark internationally by taking her Christchurch City Chorus to ninth place in international competitions, the first time an Australasian chorus has been placed in the top 10.

As a result the chorus performed in such prestigious places as Carnegie Hall, New York.

Her visit to the Hawke's Bay chorus was not her first and this time around it was to give members pointers for next year's nationals in Wellington.



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SINGALONG: Enjoying their coaching session are (front, from left) Kathy Waldon, Hastings, Trisha Olsen, Napier and Linda Stuurman, Hastings.

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