

7 **MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

PR stated that a very good start has been made to the year, which was endorsed by the committee.

8 **REVIEW OF RECENT PERFORMANCES**

No performances to report on.

9 **UPCOMING PERFORMANCES**

9.1 Forbes concert set down for May 7th and will require a new organiser following the confirmation of the decision to raise funds for flood relief.

9.2 A Molong concert is still under consideration.

9.3 A Eugowra concert is still a possibility but could be combined with a Molong concert.

9.4 Sydney Male Choir. Date has been set (October 22nd)

9.5 Blackheath Choir Festival. Details to be sought by JM

JM to investigate venue for concert with SMC.

JM to make enquiries of definite dates and times of BCF before presenting details to Choir
DW to maintain liaison with Forbes and Molong

10 **ACTION PLAN**

DK spoke about the need to push the publicity aspect of the Action Plan, particularly social media such as Youtube and Facebook. Need to get Choir members involved who have expertise in this area.

JM to ask choristers who may be interested in working on social media to see MC

11 **MEMBERSHIP**

11.1 Applications from Nigel Sethack, and Golden Rose were tabled. Both applicants were endorsed as members.

11.2 Alex Quan has moved to Bathurst and is still not sure of his involvement with the Choir this year.

11.3 Membership fees (AGM follow up). DW and JM to survey the Choir re fees this year. DW suggested an additional fee of \$50 might be considered being levied mid-year.

11.4 Doug Hillier is to be given an indefinite extension of leave owing to health issues with his wife Kerry and his future membership remaining in doubt. No fees to be sought.

11.5 Ken Fishpool to be contacted re Dave Roberts return of uniform

11.6 John Spencer's membership fees are unpaid. He is to be contacted re his intentions for this year .

JM to contact Alex Quan re his membership for this year

DW and JM to survey the Choir re fees

JM to write letter to DH advising him of leave extension and wishing him and his wife best wishes from the Choir.

JM to contact J Spencer re his intentions for this year

JM to contact KF re Dave Roberts return of uniform.

JM to contact Barry Patterson and Derek Ferrie about their intentions for this year.

12 **PERPETUAL CALENDAR**

All fees to be paid by the end of this month in order to be a Choir member.

13 **OTHER BUSINESS**

Issues held over from February meeting:

13.1 MC and RB have offered to be managers of the Choir Facebook page. The Orange MVC Facebook page currently directs followers to the Orange Male Voice Choir page.

13.2 Rotary Daybreak engagement has yet to be finalised and RB is liaising with the group.

13.3 Mark O'Leary Sight Singing School. The value of this is still recognised and members will be encouraged to use it.

- 13.4** OCC Mayor to be approached for position of Patron of the Choir in order to build up a closer association with the OCC.
- 13.5** The new committee endorsed the out-of-session motion (by email (16/1/23) that rescinded November 16th's motion on fees (item 12.1).
- 13.6** It was agreed that the recently devised rehearsal format was working very well.
- 13.7** Current Appointments 2023 (Annexe H, P&P Manual).
 - President, Mike Collett
 - V President, Robert Rochelli
 - Publicity Officer, David Kennedy
 - Social Coordinator, Bob Nash
 - Stage Manager, Ken Fishpool to be approached
 - ORC Liaison, John Mealings
 - Section Leaders, Don Harvey, Ken Fishpool, John Mealings to be confirmed (or new appointments made if required).
- 13.8** Auditioning for prospective members. This is to be done by PR on a very informal basis and will be mainly to ensure members are placed in the right section. PR will advise prospective choristers if they require additional work before joining the choir.
- 13.9** Signatories to Bank transactions.
 - Motion "That Mike Collett replace D Kennedy as a signatory for Credit Union transactions"
 - Moved: DW Seconded: RR
 - As stated by BM this will need to be approved by the Credit Union and proof of MC's status as Choir President will need to be shown.

JM to enquire about usage of the Sight Singing School and to encourage members to use it.

JM to write letter to Mayor of Orange inviting him to be Choir Patron.

JM to follow up section Leader appointments

JM to enquire about preparedness of people to be involved as Section Leaders and Publicity Officer.

DW & MC to organise new signatories with Credit Union.

RB to contact Rotary Daybreak re Choir engagement.

JM to check wording in P&P Manual of procedures for auditioning

Additional Items

- 13.10** Fundraising Forum, 16th March. (OESC). Suggested in the interests of continuity that DW should attend this. He is available to do so.
- 13.11** Grant Application. OESC due April 30. As we don't fit the criteria this will not be pursued.
- 13.12** Probus presentation is to take place on 26th April at Duntryleague at 11am.
- 13.13** Accompanist. Accommodating RB for weekly rehearsals (**held over to next meet meeting**)
- 13.14** Review of music distribution. Present system to be retained.
- 13.15** D Prince (Follow up from February meeting). RR reported that all is fine now with D Prince and having aired his issues he is now in a much happier position.

JM to check on availability of Choir members for Probus engagement

JM to write to D Prince

14 LATE BUSINESS

- 14.1** RB - Greater Bank Community Funding Project--
<https://www.greater.com.au/greatercentralwest>
- 14.2** RB- Funding Centre Grant Info; <https://explore.fundingcentre.com.au/membership>
(annual fee \$125 per year)
- 14.3** RB - Man Choir at OHS conducted by Brian Irvine. RB has been in touch with Brian, re possible opportunities later in the year for working together.

15 NEXT MEETING

Meeting closed at 9:16pm.

Next Meeting on April 12th at ORC

Meeting Minutes verified by J Mealings and D Woodside

Attachment 1

ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE.

In: Beth Pratley (7/3/23) re Central West Choir Day (12/11/23)

Out:

Attachment 2

Current Action Items

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WHO	ACTION	OUTCOME/ COMMENT
RR	Promotional clip around Friendship in Song. Consult members for availability on dates nominated by D Smyth. Update official photo	Priority item 2022 Autumn
DK/RR	CD Recording. Chase up RR re this issue.	Ongoing
DK	Publicity Officer. Fill vacancy. Friends of OMVC. Organise to replace Associate Member class. Retired Life Members . Develop plan for ongoing contact	
DW/PR/ SJ/RB	Sheet music: change of system	
JM/RR	Contact RW re addressing next meeting re Centenary Year	
PR & DK	Follow up ARC and Wagga Wagga for possible combined concert	
PR & c'mttee	Liaise with COBB about possible concert(s) next winter (June/July?).	
DK	Update Covid Policy on website regarding exemption	
PR	Liaise with Gabe re concert in Forbes in May	
DW	Liaise with Gabe Rae re concert for flood victims	
DK	Continue formatting the rest of the Action Plan and circulate to members at the start of 2023 for allocation of responsibilities.	
JM	Contact Rachael Brooking re her bio and photo for the choir website.	

JM/DW	Contact Cabonne Council about possible fundraising concert in Molong when a date has been set.	
DK	Check policy/previous minutes about updating Honour Boards.	
JM	Write to OCC inviting Mayor to be Patron	
JM	Contact “non-residents” Barry and Derek about their intentions for 2023 and informing them of fees (\$50).	
JM	Enquire about venues for concert with SMC. (22/10)	
PR	Make decision about participation in the Blackheath Choir Festival	
JM	Book ORC Library for meetings for year.	11/2/23
DW	Approach CM to join the committee	
JM	Contact Beth Pratley re times for Central West sings programme.	
JM	Investigate venue for concert with SMC.	
JM	Make enquiries of definite dates and times of BCF before presenting details to Choir members	
DW	Maintain liaison with Forbes and Molong re concerts.	
JM	Seek volunteers for social media promotion	
JM	Contact Alex Quan re his membership for this year	
JM/DW	Survey the Choir re fees	
JM	Write letter to Doug Hillier advising him of leave extension (with no fees) and wishing him and his wife well from the Choir	

JM	Contact J Spencer re his intentions for this year and outstanding fees.	
JM	Contact KF re Dave Roberts return of uniform.	
JM	Contact Barry Patterson and Derek Ferrie about their intentions for this year.	
JM	Enquire about usage of the Sight Singing School and encourage members to use it.	
JM	Write letter to Mayor of Orange inviting him to be Choir Patron.	
JM	Section Leaders. Approach to confirm 2023	
DW/MC	Organise new signatories with Credit Union.	
RB	Contact Rotary Daybreak re Choir engagement.	
JM	Check on availability of Choir members for Probus engagement (26/4)	
JM	Write to D Prince re his status in the Choir	

Calendar

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DATE	EVENT	COORDINATOR
May 7th	Forbes Concert	DW
May 21st (tbc)	Cabonne Council concert for flood victims	
Aug 25-27th	Blue Mts Choir Festival	
Oct 22nd	Concert with Sydney Male Choir	
Nov 12th	Central West Sings @ Blayney	