

ORANGE MALE VOICE CHOIR

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: 21 APRIL 2026

VENUE: Latter Day Saints Church, 68 Frost St

MINUTES

- 1 ATTENDANCE:** Mike Collett, Rachael Brooking, David Woodside, Roy O'Donnell, Ian Anderson, Nigel Sethack, John Mealings, Rocky Rochelli
- 2 APOLOGIES:** Ken Fishpool
- 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Motion "That the Mgt Cttee approves the minutes of the 17 March 26 Meeting"

Moved: RO

Seconded: DW

Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES/OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Date + Agenda Ref	Description	Owner	Due	Status/Comments
18/2/25 Item 13.1	Chase up publicity in museum for centenary celebration and arrange for 'Friendship in Song' video to be played in visitors centre.	NS/RR	30/4	Ongoing – Rocky has spoken to museum staff and raised the matter and will chase up. OMVC will need to be part of another display in November (will not be given our own one)
	Seek photos of past members for inclusion as part of the Centenary display		30/4	Archives have been reviewed and many photos have been selected for potential use. More work on refining photos to be done. Stories to be built based on photos and old performance programs.
	Complete actions regarding clean out of space at ORC.	DW/RR/RO	15/5	Honour boards and main sign outside are still to be picked up. Historical section in new ORC will be able to accommodate honour boards. Main sign to be photographed and offered to choir or discarded. DW to speak to David Shaw re trophy cabinet transferring to new ORC.\ RO sought information from Wangarang

			30/4	re scanning requirements – naming convention to be agreed and box of sheets to be taken to Wangarang
27/8/25 Item 5	Invite NSW choirs to participate in centenary concert.	RO	15/5	RO provided details on concert songs and other important information in separate communications SMC and Wagga/Conmen/Aracadians/ARC. Will be followed up early May
16/9 Item 8	Seek guidance from Orange City Council on specific grant applications that could support Centenary concert costs.	DW	TBA	DW applied for \$3k to cover theatre, lighting, sound and piano costs as 'Livability' council grant.
21/10 Item 8	Seek sponsorship support to subsidise the cost of post Centenary Concert brunch	IA/DW/RB	15/4	Penhalls have agreed to pay \$1,000 sponsorship in two \$500 payments this financial year and next. RO has sent thank you email. HORTS have paid \$1,000 sponsorship. RO to send thank you email.
16/12 Item 3	Develop program for Paul Jarman weekend workshop on weekend of 19-21 June.	Committee		Identify organisations that need to be involved. PJ has sent his personal costs. Need to work out who to target for the workshop. Need to invite all local choirs and some within driving distance.
12/1 Item 5	Experience Orange event – 3/5 Cook Park 12-4pm	RO		Organise rota closer to the event.
17/2 Item 8	Ex Services club grant opportunity	IA	31/5	Seek support for post centenary brunch. IA will progress application.
17/2 Item 8	Find new amp	RR		Investigate options for new amp
21/4 Item 7	Orchestrated Scores for Centenary Concert	MC/RR	TBA	Work to be done on obtaining orchestration for the 6 MCAA songs being performed at concert
21/4 Item 7	Channel 7 story on OMVC	RO	30/4	RO to follow up and suggest solstice weekend, both workshop and performance at Hillside Harvest.

See attachment 1

Motion "That the correspondence be accepted"

Moved:RO

Seconded: RR

Carried

6 TREASURER'S REPORT

IA presented Treasurer's report for March 2026

Motion "That the Treasurer's Report and accounts for payment be accepted"

Moved:IA

Seconded:NS

Carried

7 MUSIC REPORT

Music committee has met twice recently without Phil Rees. Repertoire for Centenary Concert is being finalized regardless. Noted that most songs with other choirs have been confirmed.

Action to be taken on obtaining Orchestrated Scores for 6 MCAA songs being performed at the Centenary Concert.

Noted that Michael Butchard, a local Orange Tenor, has agreed to replace Nathan Bryant who will unfortunately be in Germany.

8 CENTENARY PLANNING

Pending grant application noted. JM noted that arrangements being made to contact past members.

RB noted that there were numerous music lovers in the area who actively contributed to music in the region and that work would need to be undertaken to access these people to financially support the Centenary Concert.

RB also outlined plans for '100 friends for 100 years' to sponsor concert for \$100. The sponsors will then be put on display in the foyer of Civic Theatre on night of concert. Draft proposal was circulated. Committee endorsed proposal and actions will start to be taken. Will be sold at future performances.

DW noted need to start organizing the post centenary brunch in detail. Development of program of activities during lunch (use old OMVC annual dinner program as reference point). Sub Committee to include DW and JM. Chris Mills and Bob Nash to be invited to join by RB.

9 UPCOMING PERFORMANCE

Experience Orange event discussed. Agreed that 3 songs being performed to be 'Little Deuce Coupe', 'God Only Knows' and 'Take me home Country Roads'. Two practice sessions to take place on Monday 27/4 and Friday 1/5, both at 7pm at the Church on Frost Street. Graham Hobba and John Mealings to bring guitars (12 string and 6 string). OMVC stand to be set up at 11am with performance starting 12.30pm.

Winter Solstice – repertoire still to be agreed. Other arrangements are on track. Noted soup needed for our 50 guests (chorister soup being organized by DW and RB). Seek volunteers for soup from members of the choir.

10 PERPETUAL CALENDAR

Nothing requiring action in April.

11 MEMBERSHIP

Noted that Alan Pearce has submitted application to join and is organizing his Working with Children Check.

Motion: that Alan Pearce application be accepted

Moved:RR Seconded:RB Carried

12 OTHER BUSINESS

RO outlined profit shares to 3 choirs from Bathurst concert. Noted that shares were \$910 each.

Motion: to approve payment of the profit shares from Bathurst concert to Allegri Singers and Australian Rugby Choir

Moved:RO Seconded: RR Carried

DW noted that boxes of glasses and Eric Bogle CDs needed to be decided on.

RO to bring boxes of glasses to next choir practice and offer to choir. CDs to be offered to potential sponsors.

NS noted First Thursday of the month in Badlands Brewery, there is a pub choir night. Fee is \$10. Potential social night for choir. RO to advise the choir.

13 NEXT MEETING

19/5/26 at 7.30

Meeting closed at 9.30

DATE	SENDER	SUBJECT	RECIPIENT
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IN

18/3	Arts out west	Microgrant opportunity	Grants team
18/3	Experience Orange	Confirmation of OMVC stall booking	Secretary
20/3	Andrew Gee Office	Confirmation of non attendance at Bathurst Concert	Secretary
22/3	Samantha Bartholomeusz, Come Together Choir	Acknowledgement of email regarding joint performance at picnic in the park and confirming participation	Secretary
23/3 & 14/4	Jane Arnott, Orange Regional Arts Foundation	Acknowledgement of grant application and subsequent notification that it had not succeeded	Secretary and grants team
1/4	One Music	Invoice for License fee	Treasurer
8/4	Peter O'Driscoll, MCAA Secretary	MCAA Newsletter	Choir
14/4	Steve Howarth, Secretary Adelaide Metropolitan Male Choir	Responding to enquiry about Orchestrated Scores for Gala Concert songs – attached email from Evan Patton	Vice President

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OUT

18/3	Mike Collett	Gala Concert invitation	Barry Patterson
19/3	Mike Collett	Gala Concert invitation	Leon Paix
4/4	Mike Collett	Gala Concert invitation	Heejin
4/4	Mike Collett	Gala Concert invitation	Elina
4/4	Mike Collett	Gala Concert invitation	Debbie Nicholls
4/4	Mike Collett	Gala Concert Invitation	Beverley Glover
6/4	Secretary	Blackheath Choir Festival Details	Choir
6/4	Rachael Brooking	Picnic in the Park invitation	Emily Bell
6/4	Rachael Brooking	Picnic in the Park invitation	Deanne Prusiak
6/4	Rachael Brooking	Picnic in the Park invitation	Canobolas Pipe Band
6/4	Rachael Brooking	Picnic in the Park invitation	Mark
15/4	Secretary	Gala Concert update	Gerry Byrne, SMH
15/4	Secretary	Gala Concert update for Arcadians, Conmen, ARC & Wagga	Dave Bryars, Brian Waters, Chris Morgan & Peter Olson
18/4	Secretary	Acknowledgement of \$1,000 sponsorship Offer	Craig Ostius, Penhalls

