

ORANGE MALE VOICE CHOIR

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: 17 FEBRUARY 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, Ken Fishpool

2 APOLOGIES: Rocky Rochelli

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion "That the Mgt Cttee approves the minutes of the 16 Dec 2025 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. Seek photos of past members for inclusion as part of the display in visitors centre.	DW/RR	31/3	Ongoing – Rocky has spoken to museum staff and raised the matter. Noted that no clear head shots were available. DW will come up with some suitable photos
	Complete actions regarding clean out of space at ORC.	DW/RR/RO	31/3	Honour boards and main sign outside are still to be picked up. RO to seek scanning quote from Wangarang once music has been reviewed and sorted by DW/RR
27/8/25 Item 5	Invite NSW choirs to participate in centenary concert.	RO	28/2	Follow up by phone February to push for confirmation of numbers. Limited response so far.

16/9 Item 8	Seek guidance from Orange City Council on specific grant applications that could support Centenary concert costs.	DW	TBA	'Livability' Grant (\$2,500) suggested as most appropriate application. To be submitted March 2026. Charlotte Gundrey (Council Grants Officer) to respond formally on information provided by OMVC. RB & DW to chase up and meet again.
21/10 Item 8	Seek sponsorship support to subsidise the cost of post Centenary Concert brunch	IA/DW/RB		DW/DK to contact Penhalls and RB/RO to seek support from Gnoo Blas. IA/DW to seek funding from HORTS. IA to circulate draft proposal.
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, plan for costs etc. Include solstice performance with Cantar on same weekend.
12/1 Item 5	Experience Orange event – 3/5 Cook Park 12-4pm	RO		Organise rota closer to the event.
12/1 Item 8	Pull up banners for OMVC centenary	RB		To be ordered from OfficeWorks (\$85 each) in time for Gnoo Blas event on 7/2
17/2 Item 8	Ex Services club grant opportunity	Finance Cttee		Seek support for post centenary brunch
17/2 Item 8	Update website with new centenary logos	NS/MC/RB		Required information to be sent to NS
17/2 Item 8	Identify missing amp and determine whether it can be fixed.			
17/2 Item 11	Choir to perform publicly more often to raise profile eg at shopping centres	Committee		Priority to be attached to organising an event in coming weeks.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

See attachment 1

Motion "That the correspondence be accepted"

Moved:RO

Seconded: IA

Carried

6 TREASURER'S REPORT

IA presented Treasurer's report for January 2026

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

Moved:IA

Seconded:JM

Carried

7 MUSIC REPORT

Noted that RB, MC and DW meeting with Phil Rees on 18/2 to discuss draft of annual concert and ensure that views on music selection are aligned. Aim is to have repertoire for the year agreed within next 2 weeks.

8 CENTENARY PLANNING

Archive afternoon tea proposed at choir member's house – DW sought help with getting items out of archive held at Library. DW will obtain archive records and best use of them will be determined at a get together at DW house.

JM updated committee on progress towards compiling a list of former members and plans to involve them in centenary year and invite to centenary concert

9 UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Ascott Gardens piano not adequate – RB to bring choir keyboard. Noted that location of choir amp was unknown.

Agreed to target Saturday session 3.30-5.50 for Blackheath choir festival. Sunday session 1.30 – 3.30 as second preference.

RB to organize for Dee to take photos of ASC for purposes of stage management for Bathurst performance.

The Orange regional gallery 40th year celebrations were noted. DW to investigate performance opportunity.

10 PERPETUAL CALENDAR

- Update website with new Committee appointments - done
- Community grants application to Orange City Council - ongoing
- Update entries in community directories - done
- Update details with Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission - done

11 OTHER BUSINESS

KF to manage processes for choir badges during centenary year. Agreed that KF could purchase more badges and bars (40 of each). KF to seek quote and run it by the Committee.

NS to provide photo of choir for Rodney Davis presentation at Bathurst concert.

NS noted need to sing publicly more often eg in shopping centres to raise profile of the choir. Agreed that it will be the ensemble to start with. Steps will be taken to organise one in coming weeks.

12 NEXT MEETING

17/3/26 - 7.30 at church on Frost St

Meeting closed at 9.45

Attachment 1 Items of Correspondence 17 February 2026

DATE	SENDER	SUBJECT	RECIPIENT
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4/2	Kathy, All Saints Cathedral Office	Various matters re Bathurst Concert	Secretary
4/2	Ros Bullock (Jonty's mum)	Confirming availability of Jonty for Bathurst performance	Secretary
5/2	Dave Bryars, Arcadian Lamplighters Choir	Confirming choir is back practicing and requesting information on centenary concert	Secretary
10/2	Peter O'Driscoll, MCAA Secretary	Annual membership fees	Treasurer
16/2	Rob Westacott	Thanking Committee for acknowledgement at annual dinner, particular thanks to Rachael and Mike	Secretary

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28/1	Secretary	Performance at 10am on 28/2 at Ascott Gardens	Rebecca Jones, Leisure Manager
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28/1	Secretary	Performance at 11am on 28/2 at Orange Grove	Ramanpreet Kaur, Leisure Manager
3/2	Secretary	Post Bathurst event meal. Followed up 12/2 and Guy Neill has promised to get back asap	Guy Neill, Manager Church Bar
5/2	Secretary	Picnic in the Park joint performance with Come Together Choir	Samantha Bartholomeusz and Phil Rees
15/2	Secretary	Request to interview Rodney Davis and cross promote Bathurst event	Jonathan Roe, Editor Orange City Life