

ORANGE MALE VOICE CHOIR
MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
19th October @ 7:15pm via zoom
MINUTES

1 **ATTENDANCE:** Phil Rees, John Mealings, David Kennedy, Steve Jackson, David Woodside, Chris Mills, Ken Fishpool

2 **APOLOGIES:** D Harvey

3 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Motion "That the Mgt Committee approves the minutes of the previous meeting (14/9)"

Moved: JM

Seconded: DW

Carried

Signed off by:

4 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES (except later agenda items)**

4.1 Current Action items

Progress recorded in Attachment 2

5 **CORRESPONDENCE**

See Attachment 1

Motion "That the correspondence be accepted"

Moved: JM

Seconded: SJ

Carried

6 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion "That the Treasurers Report and accounts for payment be accepted"

Motion "That J Mealings be reimbursed \$28.70 for the dry cleaning of Martin Prestidge's tie and jacket"

Moved: DW

Seconded: CM

Carried

DW also tabled document "Cash Assets of OMVC 2020-2023" outlining the steady decline of our finances. Losses mainly attributable to inactivity of Choir with very little income and continued outgoings such as ORC rent and payment of honoraria.

Motion "That OMVC approach Tim Cummins or Jenny McMillan at the ORC and negotiate a hire fee (maximum \$1000) for this year"

Moved: DK

Seconded: KF

Carried

Due to urgent deadlines for the ORC, an out of session decision was made to pay the ORC \$1000 for a Scholarship in the Choir's name.

Motion "That the committee approve the donation of \$1000 for an ORC vocal scholarship"

Moved: DK

Seconded: KF

Carried

JM to negotiate with Jenny McMillan and/or Tim Cummins re the hire fees for ORC

7 **MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

7.1 ARC retreat report. DK reported that this was a very positive experience which laid down some good foundations for choirs appearing at the MCAA concert. OMVC was represented by DW, DK and John Spencer.

7.2 Repertoire post-MCAA. PR has already spoken with Mike Collett about further mentoring and Mike's preparedness to assist with taking rehearsals.

PR will begin preparing new work from the Choir's music library if the Choir is not involved in other activities such as carol singing. PR is keen to develop his own repertoire and this will be done in consultation with other Choir members.

Tentative dates for a Forbes concert have been set down for April 30th or May 7th which will be our first concert with a new repertoire.

KF spoke of the possibility of singing/rehearsing on Monday 28th November at the ANFD site where there will be a caravan/campervan gathering.

DW to confirm Forbes concert on either April 30th or May 7th

8 REVIEW OF RECENT PERFORMANCES

KF and PR felt the joint concert with Katandra was seen as a very worthwhile activity. It proved to be a well organised concert in a very good venue (St Josephs Church). In spite of the small numbers present (eight participants), the OMVC was very well received.

9 UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

9.1 MCAA Sydney. PR looking forward to the event and to catching up with Elina for whom he will be the page turner as she accompanies the choirs.
The Choir continues to make good progress with the MCAA repertoire.

10 STRATEGIC PLAN

10.1 Centenary planning. This is to be held over to our next meeting where Rob Westcott will be asked to address the committee.

JM to invite RW to attend the next Management Committee meeting on the 16th November

10.2 Prioritising tasks in 2nd draft Strategic Plan.

Paul Jarman will visit Orange on 20-21 November. He has read draft 2 of the Strategic Plan and will discuss the future of the Choir on Sunday afternoon and the Monday morning. In order to make this meeting worthwhile and productive, it will be necessary to "invite" or "second" members who may be interested in serving on the committee next year. This will also provide continuity with the process.

In preparation for this it would be worthwhile sending out a copy of the SP to members after the MCAA concert. DK will give a third draft with additional points to JM for distribution to the choir.

DK to circulate third draft of the strategic Plan to choir members.

10.3 Orange Daybreak Rotary meeting. JM and DW to liaise with Rachel Brooking re the Choir attendance at the breakfast (November 16th/23rd) and a possible performance.

JM and DW to coordinate attendance at the Orange Daybreak Rotary breakfast

10.4 As part of the Strategic Plan, JM suggested a "Carols by Headlight" tour of Orange to give the Choir more public exposure. This would involve travelling around Orange and singing carols at different venues.

JM to look at the possibility of running a Carols by Headlight tour in December.

11 MEMBERSHIP

Dave Roberts is very keen to rejoin the Choir after an absence of 2/3 years. Following recent eye surgery however he has been advised that he should not undertake any Covid vaccinations. JM tabled a document on his behalf - "Covid-19 Vaccine Medical Contraindication" - signed by Medical Practitioner Dr Anthony Maloof as proof of DR's situation..

It was also pointed out that following his lengthy absence from the Choir, DR would have to rejoin and undergo the audition process required of all new members.

12 PERPETUAL CALENDAR

12.1 Annual dinner. This has been set down for 4th February 2023. CM has offered to coordinate such.

CM to coordinate organisation of Annual Dinner.

12.2 Honoraria. This is to be covered at next meeting and will be done in the absence of our MD.

JM to circulate to the Management Committee the P&P Manual section on Honoraria and the factors to be considered.

13 OTHER BUSINESS

13.1 Covid Policy review. Taking into account the changing Covid occurrence, community attitudes and government policies, it was agreed that the Choir's Covid Policy should be reviewed.

Motion "That a written statement of "Covid-19 Vaccine Medical Contraindications", signed by a prospective member's doctor, be acceptable in lieu of Covid vaccination.

Moved: DK

Seconded: DW

Carried

WHO	ACTION	OUTCOME/ COMMENT
RR	Promotional clip around Friendship in Song. 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	Sheet music: change of system	
DK	Continue liaising with Paul Jarman about planning his involvement, in the spring, if possible	
DW	Liaise with Gabe re concert in Forbes in April/May	
PR	Collect choir banner (from Orange)	
JM	Contact Webcentral re domain registration	10/10/22
JM	Remind members to purchase tickets for MCAA Concert.	19/9/22
DW/JM	Develop Email list for ex members	
JM	Write to Dave Roberts requesting Immunisation Medical Exemption.	15/9/22
JM	Write to Donna Riles asking for feedback on the success/ value of the scholarship and the value in continuing it.	17/9/22
JM	Negotiate hire fees for ORC	
JM	Contact RW re addressing next meeting re Centenary Year	
DK	Distribute Strategic Plan Mk3 to choir members	
JM & DW	Liaise with Rachel Brooking in setting up contact with Orange Daybreak Rotary.	

JM	Look at possibility of running a Carols by Headlight tour.	
JM	Inform Choir of motions re the changes to Choir Covid Policy.	
CM	Coordinate organisation of Annual Dinner	
JM & DW	Organise and promote Trivia Night.	
DK	Make amendments to and advise Choir of Covid Policy.	
JM	Advise Choir of available ticket for MCAA.	
JM	JM to circulate to the Management Committee the P&P Manual section on Honoraria and the factors to be considered.	
JM	JM to present motions to the Choir re Covid Policy for discussion and approval.	
DK	Organise for Paul Jarman to address committee re Strategic Plan.	
DK	Continue liaising with Paul Jarman about planning his involvement, in the Spring, if possible	

Calendar

Updated 21st Oct 2022

DATE	EVENT	COORDINATOR
Oct 30	MCAA Sydney	DK
Dec 7th	Trivia Night	DW & JM
Feb 4th 2023	Annual Dinner	CM
April 30th/May 7th 2023	Forbes Concert	DW