

ORANGE MALE VOICE CHOIR

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: 12 JANUARY 2026

VENUE: Latter Day Saints Church, 68 Frost St

MINUTES

1 ATTENDANCE: Mike Collett, Rachael Brooking, David Woodside, Roy O'Donnell, Ian Anderson, Graham Hobba, Bruce Middleton

2 APOLOGIES: John Mealings, 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	19/12	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/G H/BM	31/1/26	A couple of items (eg keyboard) are still to be picked up. BM 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 early February to push for confirmation of numbers. Limited response so far.

27/8 Item 8	Develop format for Bathurst concert and agree songs with PR.	Music Cttee	/31/12	RO to follow up PR re OMVC specific songs. Then ARC and Allegri will confirm their songs. RB to use AI to suggest name for event.
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 to chase up.
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. Sponsorship request document to be updated and used to solicit sponsorship.
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
16/12 Item 5	Joint performance with Come Together Choir	RO/Nigel Sethack		Picnic in the Park 18/10 suggested as appropriate event. NS to get back to OMVC.
16/12 Item 10	Audit WWC Register Circulate AGM documents	RR RO	13/1	RO to remind RR
12/1 Item 5	Experience Orange event	RO		Agreed that OMVC should register for event (and ensure appropriate position so music can be played)
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

5 CORRESPONDENCE

See attachment 1

Agreed that OMVC would participate in the next 'Experience Orange' event in Cook Park on Sunday 3/5/26.

Motion "That the correspondence be accepted"

Moved:RO

Seconded: RB

Carried

6 TREASURER'S REPORT

IA presented Treasurer's report for December 2025

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

Moved:IA

Seconded:GH

Carried

IA presented the 2026 budget showing an estimated loss which could be turned around if the Civic Theatre is sold out for the annual concert. Importance of all choir members selling tickets was emphasized.

7 MUSIC REPORT

Noted that PR is working on 2026 repertoire. PR suggested 4 songs for Bathurst – Let the River Run, Convidando, Some Nights and Seize the day. RO to request that PR narrow it down to 3.

RB outlined 'spond' application which can be used for sharing music and events within choir. The song 'chasing cars' has been uploaded to the system. Will be used for OMVC ensemble at Gnoo Blas event to trial the system.

8 CENTENARY PLANNING

Noted that new Centenary pull up banners needed to be ordered from OfficeWorks.

RB outlined idea re choir retreat, bonding exercise at yoga retreat with range of activities. Visibility during centenary year. Being suggested as replacement for solstice event.

Need to be active in the community and available for aged care centre performances noted. Performances will be arranged prior to Bathurst to practice songs.

9 UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Agreed that OMVC will participate with a stall at Gnoo Blas event on Saturday 7/2. RO to complete exhibitor form. New pull up banners advertising Centenary and leaflets will be required.

Noted that name of Bathurst concert was required. RB to use AI to suggest name.
Meeting with RO, Chris, Liz to start allocating tasks.
Noted that council had yet to confirm Australia Day performance.

Confirmed that ensemble will perform at Gnoo Blas event at 6.30 on Friday 6/2.
Will need to arrive early (around 6pm) to set up sound. Songs to be confirmed by RB (likely 3) and there will need to be additional amplification. Orange Jackets, embroidered shirts, grey pants/black shoes to be worn.

10 PERPETUAL CALENDAR

Committee nominations at AGM
Start practice Monday 19/1/26

11 OTHER BUSINESS

Agreed to present Rodney Davis with service award at Bathurst concert.

IA proposed that \$1,000 be made available on OMVC debit card to ensure adequate funds are available. Will be monitored in treasurer reports. Committee agreed with proposal.

12 NEXT MEETING

17/2 @ 7.30

Meeting closed at 9.45

Attachment 1 Items of Correspondence 12 January 2026

DATE	SENDER	SUBJECT	RECIPIENT
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1/1	Peter O’Driscoll, Secretary MCAA	Bulletin 5 and Newsletter	Choir
5/1	Orange City Council	Invitation to participate in Experience Orange, Cook Park 3/5 – register by 30/3	
6/1	Orange City Council	Confirmation of booking of Cook Park for Picnic in the Park event 18/10	Secretary
7/1	Wix.com	Issue with renewal payment for OMVC domain name	Treasurer

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17/12	Secretary	Thank you for \$1,000 donation to OMVC	Anne Hulak
3/1	Secretary	Digital copy of Homeward Bound	Chris Morgan, ARC
3/1	Secretary	Draft format for Bathurst concert	Chris Morgan, ARC Liz Barrett, Allegri