WARBLE 2 September 2010

September 2010

08 Sep 2010 - *National Service Memorial Dedication Ceremony* - this will be a huge ceremony, presided over by the Governor General, and covered on national TV, with an expected crowd in excess of 5,000. Assemble 10.45am at <u>Simpson & Donkey</u>; then move to be seated by 11.00am at the Eastern Courtyard with the RMC Band before the ceremony commences at 11.30am.

15 Sep 2010 - Battle of Britain Ceremony - Australian War Memorial Western Courtyard

18 Sep 2010 - Rhapsody of Brass & Blue - at Lyneham Performing Arts Centre Goodwin Street

29 Sep 2010 - Police Memorial Service - Police Memorial Kings Park

- My personal thanks to Paul Green tonight as he embarks on his first editorial duties with the Warble.
- Many thanks for the good attendance and fine performance at the *Battle for Australia* ceremony at the Australian War Memorial yesterday.
- Next Wed 8/9/10 will be the *National Service ceremony*. Please note Ken's guidelines for this big event that will be held on the new EASTERN PRECINCT. Some thought will be necessary on your part to plan your arrival and parking.
- <u>Uniform</u> please take care when preparing for gigs especially for those gigs of our principal sponsors like the AWM. Please ensure that you include both brown hat and blue jacket when you attend. Decisions about wearing these will be made only at the warmup.
- Another very good practice last Tuesday I thought. No doubt about the powers of Ma'am when she expects us to perform with our eyes closed and without those books. Continue to practice hard.
- I reemphasise Des Grayson's bleedin' obvious plea that all members must commit to promoting our concert on 18th Sept and to <u>selling tickets.</u> We have an excellent venue and performance setting that will accommodate 600. Let us do it and ourselves due justice. David Dickson continues to do a sterling job of organising the function so please help him out by at least ensuring that you sell a couple of tickets.
- Another reminder chaps please. I think the <u>noise levels</u> at practice during sectional focus time are still unnecessarily high. I sense that Ma'am is struggling sometimes to be heard effectively and, once again, I am fielding modest complaints or expressions of concern from some members that they cannot pay her proper attention because of distractions close by. Please give immediate attention to the MD when she calls for it.
- Next *Performance of the Petrified* will be determined when I meet with Andrea before next practice
- Precise day and times for the MCAA final practice on the weekend of 30-31 Oct have not been able to be finalised yet. Attempting to coordinate arrangements for all participants is proving a little challenging. So continue to watch this space please.
- Andrea has arranged an extra practice for members to attend to polish items before our concert, Saturday 11th Sept, 11.00am to 1.00pm at Canberra Services Club. Please do your best to attend.

Regards Neil