

Australian Rugby Choir

Warble

October Rehearsal Schedule – Just for Fun

Nev Gare has selected: Divine Brahma; Stout Hearted Men; Amazing Grace; Rachie. Please organise your music folders so that you can access those songs next Tuesday night.

Police Memorial Gig

Well done everyone. It was a very stoic effort by approximately 30(?) members early this evening at the Police Memorial Ceremony.

We are very used to this gig being a challenging event over the years in regard to the elements but I do not think that the rain and breeze kicked in quite as exquisitely as they did tonight to affect the temperature. Timing was good in that we got only slightly moistened rather than soaked.

Calendar

Please update your diaries. At the moment if you have a MAC there is a link that will do this automatically by clicking on the icon on our website <http://www.rugbychoir.org.au/calendar.html>

Remember: With gigs on the 13th, 14th and 15th October please manage your time (and laundering of uniforms?) to meet such pressures of commitments. I know you can manage this small challenge.

Our Fundraising October Concerts

Saturday 15th October Concert ticket prices are \$25 per Adult and \$20 concessions for a musical afternoon. Each member should have received by now an envelope containing a minimum of FOUR tickets to the Saturday Concert. Each member is expected to return the envelope with either \$80 or \$100.

Most members have collected their four tickets to sell from John Armitage. If not, please see him on Tuesday night next.

You would have all received an email from Geoff Ford with the promotional leaflet so that you can further promote and advertise your concert.

This is our only fundraising venture of the year so need as many paying customers as possible. Our aim is to fill Hughes Baptist

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Church Hall, present a quality performance, have fun doing it, and to make some money for the choir.

All are encouraged to work on the concert repertoire prior to next Tuesday's practice. Andrea will likely be assessing our performance readiness at the next few practices and has indicated that any major shortcomings might need fixing at a further Sunday afternoon practice (or two) prior to the concert.

If the extra practices take place, they will be held at the Southern Cross Club in conjunction with the London Concert practices.

Extra Practice 9th October

Andrea has called for an extra practice on Sunday 9th October immediately before our concerts that week. The practice will be held at the Southern Cross Club, Woden, Rainbow Room from 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm.

22-23 October, Moruya / Batemans Bay Weekend

This gig is OFF. Please remove it from your diaries. Unfortunately, some aspects of expectations for this festival were not able to be arranged so we have had to withdraw at least for 2011.

Our November Gigs

Friday 4th November

Please try to attend this gig at the Woden Tradies to assist the Tradies in their sponsorship of the Woden Community Festival week.

Gig sheet is available. We need to be seen to support one of our major sponsors, The Tradies in this venture.

Together with the ARC, Woden Valley Youth Choir and Credo will also be performing. The Canberra College Jazz Band will be the fourth participant.

Planning is coming together and 150 places will be available for members of the Woden public to have a meal and hear some great music.

Friday 18th November

Please add your name & partner to the gig sheet for our annual recognition dinner. More details later of course but cost will be \$40 per head.

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London 2012 Concert

Practice Sunday next, 2nd October at Southern Cross Club, Woden, Rainbow Room. Tenors from 3.30 pm to 4.45 pm. Baritones & Basses from 4.15 to 5.30; i.e. a half hour combined period. Bring Hero's Journey.

Uniform Blazer

If not done so already, please ensure that you collect your logo pocket insert from Peter Scott.

PLEASE NOTE: your committee decided that, on those occasions when it is to be worn in performance, the blazer will be buttoned by the top button only.

Member Welfare & News

Excellent attendance numbers last Tuesday night, chaps! This would be close to a record attendance from my almost 6 years in the choir.

It was also wonderful to see, Keith Jones and Darryl Cupitt, at practice on Tuesday. Trust they continue to recover after recent medical procedures.

Welcome back to Oz to John Eyres after a posting in the UK.

Homework from Andrea

Further practice on the Retreat foci, Shall We Gather, When the Saints Go Marching In, I Still Call Australia Home, Ave Verum and Cantique de Jean Racine, but especially Our Cities Face the Sea which we will be practicing WITHOUT BOOKS next Tuesday.

Regards

Neil