WARBLE 28 October 2010

From the President

AWM

An excellent effort once again by the 19 participants last Friday at the AWM for the plaque dedication. Get someone to tell you about the most unusual and thoroughly entertaining Vote of Thanks ever heard at such a ceremony, hardly any mention of thanks to anybody, but the WW2 veteran had people in stitches.

Numbers for Remembrance Day seem a little thin. Yes, it is a work day as normal for many members but, if you can, please add your name to the gig sheet. One of the big days of the year.

Annual Dinner

Initial bookings for the 19th November are very good. Those who have not yet booked please do so on the gig sheet provided. From next Tuesday, your \$35 per head will be collected thank you. Please try and be a part of this annual recognition function. Robert Macaulay will be conducting the Patrons Award process very soon.

Member Welfare

Jim Cleaver has recovered considerably after being hospitalised with pneumonia but he will be out of action for a few weeks yet before regaining full health. Best wishes Jim.

Welcome back from overseas ventures to James Cox, Malcolm Pasco and Max Brennan.

MCAA Concert

Let us have fun in these final weeks to the countdown for the Sydney Town Hall Concert. The distribution of the MCAA Yellow Book well before performance time and our own dedication to the learning process has seen us loom towards our usual very good standard as the adrenalin kicks in. Alpha saw us at our own concert a month ago so it will be interesting to see how she thinks we shape up on Sunday with the Canberra Mens Choir once again and, this time with a few from Wagga too. Extra information about Sydney logistics for the weekend of 13-14 November is below.

Regards

Neil

October 2010

31st October. Final MCAA practice with Alpha

Our attention is on Alpha's practice session next Sunday, 12:30 pm at the Woden Southern Cross Club. November 2010

MCAA Festival of Male Voices

We have Warringah Concert Brass Band, one of the top Australian brass bands as our guests.

We have the internationally acclaimed Peter Kneeshaw at the Sydney Town Hall organ.

We have Marian Arnold, ABC FM radio presenter of the best-loved Your Requests program.

We are presenting a great variety of quality music as a massed choir.

BE ENCOURAGED: YOUR HARD WORK IS ALMOST READY TO REAP ITS REWARDS.

FRIDAY 12th 7pm until 9pm at the Pitt Street, Uniting Church. May I invite and strongly encourage any singers who can, and especially, those choristers who have missed one of the Alpha Gregory workshops to attend the from (No uniforms – but a name tag would be a help), the Wellington and Melbourne choirs will have their first session with Alpha.

SATURDAY 13TH 1.30pm to 5.30pm, in Pitt Street Uniting Church. SUNDAY 14TH 11am to 12.30pm in the Sydney Town Hall. These sessions are compulsory FOR ALL CHOIRISTERS.

Details regarding entry, toilets, staging, etc. to the Sydney Town Hall will be sent to each choir by the Stage Managers very soon.

Members are strongly urged to support this very important event and are only three weekends away. If you have not yet done so, you are encouraged to book travel and accommodation. Note that time will be limited at lunch time on the Sunday. You are strongly advised to bring a packed lunch, and not rely on being able to buy lunch in the vicinity.

Raise funds for The Spastic Centre and the RSPCA in the ACT.

'Twilight in the Jungle' Cocktails on the Lion Walk at The National Zoo and Aquarium is being held on Thursday 11th November (see attached flyer). This will be the third year of this unique event and we hope you will be able to join us to

You can pat a python, speak to a blue tongue lizard, watch the white lions being fed, and enjoy the

catering by St. Edmunds College hospitality students and served by Woden and Black Mountain school students. There will be raffles and a live auction accompanied by live music.

If you would like to purchase tickets please contact us at The Spastic Centre on: 6258 3200

As always the Warble is available in the <u>latest news</u> section on our website. <u>www.rugbychoir.org.au</u>

In accord, Paul