

ORANGE MALE VOICE CHOIR
MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

15 October, 5.30 pm – Residence of J. Spencer

MINUTES

1 ATTENDANCE

D. Kennedy (Chair), P. Derrig, J. Spencer, D. Woodside (Minutes), S. May (from 5.42 pm),
B. Patterson, D. Harvey (from 6.05 pm), R. Rochelli
K. Fishpool attended as Convenor for Bogle Sub-committee

2 APOLOGIES

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was noted that Eric Bogle's accommodation booking was made by J. Spencer and not by S. May.

Motion: "That the Management Committee approves the minutes of the September 10 2019 meeting as circulated as a true record.

Moved: DW **Seconded:** JS Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Commitment to rehearsals, performances.

Held over for next meeting.

4.2 Jarman/Bogle

Possible DVD recording. R. Rochelli will look into this.

KF has most matters in hand.

- Drinks, paper plates, serviettes yet to be ordered
- RSA. KF will check possible candidates. JS will arrange through Rotary if KF's contacts fail.
- Bar signs prepared
- Toilets and bins organised (yellow bin to be added for bottles)
- Pipe band will play for \$200 at each venue ahead of the concerts.

Motion: That the pipe band be engaged to play at each venue for a fee of \$200 on each evening. (i.e. \$400 in total).

Moved: KF **Seconded:** DH Carried

PD reported that ticket sales to date are very modest but Jeff Rogers believes in line with usual practice of Orange patrons. JR will organise interviews on Community Radio (believes 10 days out is good) which will involve any of BP, DH, KF, DW. Other radio interviews will be pursued with ABC and 2GZ and sub-committee will also endeavour to have news coverage through Prime and NineTV.

Important to emphasise at every promotional/publicity opportunity that Eric Bogle is performing in the concert (not OMVC's tribute concert without EB).

DW will email Choir members the promotional poster encouraging they circulate to groups, organisations etc.

DW to organise articles with Orange City Life and CWD.

BP has organised antipasto platters for the tables (not a substitute for dinner).

A limited “afterglow” will be at 38 Echidna Place (Rocky’s daughter’s wedding) – “Sunrise Sunset” requested.

BP organising Thurs. 7/11 rehearsal with PJ – venue t.b.a.

Concert programs Sat. 9/11. Print about 300 (gold coin in box suggested by KF)

Motion: That OMVC authorise the payment of \$300 to Orange Community Radio for the purchase of two advertising packages, one for the Alwyn Roweth Concert and one for the Eric Bogle Concert.

Moved: DH (by email 12/9)

Seconded: RR (by email 12/9)

Carried

Actions:

KF to finalise RSA, organise yellow bin.

DW to email poster to members.

DW to organise OCL, CWD articles.

DW to attend to printing of Sat. programs.

Sub-C’tee to pursue ABC, 2GZ radio interviews and Prime & NineTV news cover.

4.3 Website/Social Media

MC reported that the new website is being used. There has been no negative feedback and most issues have been ironed out. Some discussion about playing music clips. MC can set these on a loop if members wish. Ready now to deactivate old site.

Actions: MC to set up loop for music clips. DW to contact Stefan Evans with request to deactivate existing site, advise when done and seek advice re. maintaining our url and transferring to Wix.

4.4 Aluminium Risers

Held over to November meeting.

4.5 2020 Tour Proposal

JS reported on his meeting with members of Adelaide Male Choir. They are keen to develop a concert proposal with OMVC and currently have a possible concert in Melbourne in October with Melbourne Welsh. Various options could be available (e.g. Broken Hill/Adelaide, Adelaide/Melbourne) but the meeting agreed that more information is required. It was felt that an October arrangement would not be possible given MCAA concert in Sydney in Nov. 2020.

Action: 2020 Tour sub-committee to follow up further and make recommendation/s.

4.6 Return of Jackets

DH has sought legal opinion. Further letters are suggested. DK advised the meeting that he has followed up Frank Moloney’s jacket.

Action: DH to draft separate letters to Schmich and Baker and DK will follow up further with with Moloney’s jacket.

4.7 Section Leaders/Music Monitors

Nothing further yet.

4.8 Orange Credit Union. Accounts.

JS advised the meeting that S.20 funds have been moved to a newly opened S.97 account with an increase of 0.5% in interest rate.

4.9 ORC Security

KF agreed to become an additional back-up for C. Mills and M. Collett.

4.10 2019 Christmas Party

Venue P. Reid's home Sun. 8/12 from 12 noon. Understood that guests will bring their own BBQ food and drink.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

See Attachment 3. DW elaborated upon the article for OCL, letter to Cantar and the invitation from Council for welcome to new residents.

Action: DW to reply to Council declining this invitation but requesting we be kept on their list.

Motion: That the correspondence be accepted.

Moved: DW Seconded: SM Carried

6 TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted and the accounts for payment be approved (which is to include \$220 for OCL advertisement).

Moved: JS Seconded: DW Carried

7 MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

7.1 BP will be unavailable from 25/11 (overseas). Final rehearsal will be 18/11.

7.2 Rehearsals to resume 13/1/20.

7.3 V. favourable feedback Alwyn concert. BP has asked R. Nash to liaise with A&G about the funds raised.

7.4 Forbes concert – early April or late May will work best.

7.5 DH registered some disquiet concerning decision to suspend Bloomfield concert in 2020 – specific concern relates to OMVC establishing support base for young performers. This will be taken up at the November meeting.

Actions: i) DW to liaise further with Barbara Thomas in Forbes for early April or late May concert there in 2020. ii) DW to place 7.5 on November agenda.

8 REVIEW OF RECENT PERFORMANCES

Action: DW to thank Donna Riles for use of auditorium 29/9.

Action: BP. James Buchanan to be offered payment in relation to 29/9 concert set-up & recording. Meeting felt it best for James to nominate his fee.

9 UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Rotary North (Thurs. 14/11).

Action: BP to approach D. Shaw for accompaniment.

Action: DW to circulate commitment sheet.

10 CALENDARS

10.1 Perpetual Calendar

October: 1. Honorariums. Provide members with information, invite comments for Nov. budget meeting. DW outlined the purpose of the honorariums and the procedure established for members' input prior to November budget meetings.

2. Deceased Life Members. Offer Hon. Associate Membership to spouses of Life Members deceased during 2019. No Life members have become deceased in the past 12 months.

Action: DW to email members inviting their input on setting honorariums for the November budget meeting.

11 MEMBERSHIP

No applications. R. Orlando is a prospective T1.

Action: DW to contact T1 Section Leader to action Rey's application for membership.

12 OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 2020 Annual Dinner

Sm reported that menus have been received from Kate Jones and she is happy to accommodate us for the Annual Dinner on Sat. 8/2/20. She is happy to allow us three mains in place of two for a two course menu in lieu of a three course.

13 LATE BUSINESS

13.1 Casual Uniform

Plain white shirts with assorted colourful bow tie to be worn for the Bogle concerts. The Choir has chosen the black shirt option for its new casual uniform to replace the white embroidered shirt. Other potential complementary elements (waistcoat, pocket handkerchief, logo etc.) will be considered in due course. The meeting felt this should be consultative and done without haste.

13.2 Accompanist

This is an ongoing issue for us with no replacement for Heejin in 2020. It will be given urgent attention following the Bogle concert.

Action: BP, DH, RR & DW to meet to plan a strategy immediately after the Bogle concerts.

13.3 Photographer for Bloomfield

Motion: That we engage DH's niece as photographer for the Bloomfield concert at a fee of \$400 and seek other local photographers for future work.

Moved: DH Seconded: SM Carried

Action: KF to seek authorisation from Eric Bogle to use photographs for OMVC website, social media etc.

14 NEXT MEETING

12/11/2019. Availability:

Meeting Closed: 7.33 pm.

ATTACHMENT 1

ONGOING ACTION ITEMS

Updated 17 October, 2019

Who	Action	Outcome/Comment
BP RR	Investigate quality recording sound gear for Choir	Ongoing
BP RR BS	Commitment of choristers to rehearsals, performances	Ongoing
DK SM MC DW	Contact Stefan Evans – thank him, arrange to close off old website & seek advice on transfer of url. New website/Social media launch	
DK DW	P&P Manual updates (incl. Badge Co-ord. & policy on costs, grievance policy, prospective choristers checklist etc.)	Ongoing
BP DW SM	CD Recording. Finalise product for sale (Cantar permission, liner notes, artwork)	Ongoing
DH DK	Unreturned jackets. Two separate letters. Follow up with FM's carer	Ongoing
KF PD SM	Sponsorships	Ongoing
KF Sub Ctee DW	Bogle Concert Bloomfield. RSA, Bins, Plates etc. Approval for photography Fri. from EB. Radio interviews 2GZ, ABC & news cover Prime & NineTV Poster to Choir, media articles, finalise Sat. program	Ongoing
BP DH	Section Leaders/ Music Monitors. Arrange meeting. Update choir with personnel and their roles.	
DW RR	Archives. Digitise vinyl & audio-cassette recordings	Ongoing
ALL	Friends of OMVC. Organise to re[place Associate Member class	Ongoing
Sub Ctee	2020 Tour. Continue investigation of options. Finalise a recommendation to put to C'tee, choir.	Ongoing
ALL	Casual Uniform. Survey complementary elements for chosen black shirt	Ongoing
DW	Liaise with T1 Section Leader on behalf of R. Orlando	

DH SM	2020 Annual Dinner. Finalise arrangement.	Ongoing
MC	Website. Set up loop for music clips	Ongoing
RR BP BS	New risers	Ongoing
DW	Liaise with Stefan Evans. De-activate. T'fer URL Wix	
DW	Liaise further with B. Thomas for 2020 Forbes concert	
BP	Negotiate payment to James Buchanan (ORC) for 29/9 work	
BP	Approach David Shaw re. 14/11 accompaniment for Rotary North dinner	
BP DH RR DW	Prepare strategy for recruiting accompanist 2020	
DW	Nov. meeting agenda – re-visit Bloomfield concert 2020	
DW	Helmut Berndt. Gift new CD	When available

ATTACHMENT 2

2019 Calendar

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Nov	Fri 8 Sat 9	Bogle Concert. Bloomfield Hall Bogle Concert. Orange Civic Theatre
Nov	Thurs. 14	North Orange Rotary Dinner, 7.30 pm, Duntry League
Dec	Sun. 8th	OMVC Christmas Party, home of P. Reid 12 noon. BYO food, drink.

2020 Calendar

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		Possible concerts Millthorpe (Tonic), Newcastle, Temora, Forbes T.B.C.
Jan	Mon. 13	Rehearsals resume
Feb	Sat. 8th	Annual Dinner, Kate Jones, Moulder St.
Feb	Mon. 10th	AGM
Nov	Sun. 1	MCAA Concert Sydney Town Hall

ATTACHMENT 3

Correspondence

Updated 13 October, 2019

Inward

- John Mills (Email 1/10) advising inability to maintain contact due to business commitments.
- Orange City Council (Email 27/9). Invitation to showcase at Welcome to Orange, Botanic Gardens, Sun. 27/10 (11.00 to 1.00 pm)
- Kate Jones (Email 13/10). Sample menu for 2020 Annual Dinner
- John Spencer (Email 14/10) re. casual uniform ballot

Outward

- S. May (Email 30/9 to Kate Jones) enquiring 2020 Annual Dinner
- S. May (Email 30/9 to Jess, FOOD Week) changing profile photo
- S. May (Email 30/9 to J. R. Richards) re. Bins for 8/11
- Email (11/10) to OCL in thanks for article/photo Alwyn benefit concert
- Letter (12/10) to Cantar in thanks for participation/support Alwyn benefit concert