



## Members' Update

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### FROM THE COMMITTEE:

What busy month we've had. It was wonderful to sing "Messiah", and have an opportunity to be accompanied by the ASO, and join with other the wonderful experienced choirs. And of course having Graham Abbott conduct the performance was, as usual, a marvellous experience.

A great review in the *Advertiser*, following on from our "four star" review of our March Concert, was very gratifying.

The rest of the year will see us singing a variety of music for our American Concert and for our Philharmonia Christmas. More challenges and opportunities to expand our repertoire.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING RESULTS.**

According to our new Rules of the Association, the following people were elected for two year positions at our AGM on April 7<sup>th</sup>

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**President** Fran Verrall  
**Secretary** Elsie Wight  
**Concert Manager** Petrina Byrnes  
**Publicity** Margie Ripper.

The position of **Fundraising Coordinator** was vacant after the resignation of Helen Ladner, and is for one year only. Liz Mackenzie was elected to this position.

The following positions become vacant at the next AGM:

**Vice President** Melinda Broadhurst  
**Treasurer** Rick Shortridge  
**Choristers Clerk** Alexis Dean

The position of **Librarian** is a volunteer position, and Jill Peters is in this position until she retires (not for while yet we hope!!)

Thank you to Helen Ladner for her work over the last two years (and before that as well). We appreciate her efforts in the areas of managing the Supporters' lists, audience and chorister surveys, her links with Arts SA, and coordinating fundraising activities..

We also wish to acknowledge the magnificent work that Barbara Hopwood did as Publicity Coordinator. We have

now got five people to manage what Barb did as one person!

We particularly welcome our new Committee members Liz Mackenzie and Margie Ripper. Your willingness to become members if the Committee is much appreciated.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALDIS SILS OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR.** He has won the position as Head of Music and Deputy Head at Marrayatville High School for 5 years. This means that we may have him with us for a while yet!

### 2010 our 30<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR:

We will start the year with a celebratory dinner on Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup>.

Our One Choir Four Conductors Concert will now be held on June 19<sup>th</sup>, so if you're planning a holiday next year, be sure to avoid this date.

We will be getting together a contact list of former members to invite them to the 2010 events.

There will be a list for you to write names and addresses (if known) of former members, so that we can invite as many people as we can to our celebrations, starting from next week.

We want to recognise the contributions made by so many people to Adelaide Philharmonia chorus, and also to have a many former singers join us for our celebrations.

### **FUNDRAISING SURVEY**

Please find this attached to this email. We would appreciate your comments and feedback within the next few weeks, to help the Committee plan our activities for the next 12 months.

### **A REMINDER**

Please try not to arrive late for Choir Practice. It is very distracting to Aldis and those around you.

Of course, sometimes this can't be helped, and we would rather have you late than not at all!

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**President: Fran Verrall**  
**Musical Director: Aldis Sils**  
**Accompanist: Alexander Hanysz**  
**Artistic Adviser: Graham Abbott**

**Some "typos" from Church Bulletins :**

*The Fasting and Prayer Conference include meals.*

*Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again", giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.*

*Next Thursday will be tryouts for the Choir. They need all the help they can get.*

*At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.*

*The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hospitality.*

*This evening at 7 pm there will be hymn singing in the park across from the church. Bring a blanket and be prepared to sing.*

*The eighth graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement in Friday at 7pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.*

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**2009 APC CONCERT CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup> 2.30 PM' AN AFTERNOON OF AMERICAN CHORAL MUSIC. GRAINGER STUDIO, HINDLEY ST.**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> 6.30 pm "A PHILHARMONIA CHRISTMAS" ST PETERS CATHEDRAL**

**May/June REHEARSAL CALL . 7pm for 7.15pm start unless stated otherwise**

May	5 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	12 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	19 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	26 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal, supper afterwards	Cynthia Poulton Hall
June	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	9 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	16 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal	Cynthia Poulton Hall
	30 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 to 9.45	Rehearsal, supper afterwards	Cynthia Poulton Hall

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