



Circular Keys Chorus Friends E-Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Wed, 17th Jan – CKC rehearsals start

Mon, 29th Jan – special screening of 'Happy Feet' at Castle Hill

19th – 25th Feb – Coaching with Ase Hagerman

Sat, 28th April – CKC Annual Dinner

July – 'Stories of Christmas' – a Christmas in July show

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Christmas Party

The Chorus Christmas Party this year was hosted by Linda Bacic, one of our new Divas, at her home in Kenthurst. Barbara Chantrey was MC for an entertaining and eclectic program of singing and skits. Highlights included the Baritones' energetic version of the haka, an emotional performance of "I've been waiting for your phone call" and a surprise visit from our old friends Ethel and Maude. The Music Staff (pictured below) were accompanied by Noni on harp and Jo Brice on bongo drums, with interesting rhythmic effects.



Coaching with Ann Gooch

The Chorus was privileged to have Ann Gooch coach us during November. Ann is the Master Director of the Jacksonville Harmony Chorus located in Jacksonville, Florida and is a member of the Sweet Adelines International (SAI) Education Faculty and a SAI Music Judge in barbershop competitions worldwide. Ann has been a SAI member for 41 years and was instrumental in getting Sweet Adelines choruses started in Australia: the Ann Gooch award is named in her honour.

Ann's coaching helped us to understand what music judges look for, and offered us some very different ways of interpreting our two competition songs.

Most memorable phrase: "Breathe, you fool!"

Carol Singing

The chorus has had another busy program of carol singing this year. Performances so far have included North Rocks Shopping Centre, the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Christmas Dinner (for the fourth year in a row), Westpoint Carols in the Park (cancelled due to rain), North Rocks Rotary Carols in the Park, a Fuji-Xerox Christmas party and Just Enough Faith's Christmas dinner. Yet to come are Orange Blossom cottage and Hornsby Shopping Centre. We're impressed that many of our newer chorus members have learnt their parts so quickly and joined in.

Merry Christmas to our Friends

Circular Keys Chorus wishes all our friends a very merry Christmas season, and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events in 2007.

If you have been a member in the past, we hope that you'll think about rejoining us for a year that will include international coaching from Ase, a Christmas in July show, and another 'Divas Wanted' membership drive.