

Secret Chorus Business

Integrity – Commitment - Fun

Dare to be Different



DORIS WARD AWARD Nominations for 2018



Voting on Wednesday Night

INESE KAMENYITZKY

I would like to nominate Inese for the Doris Ward Award please. Inese wears many hats in the chorus and is always the first to greet you with a smile and a cuddle. Not only does she impart her culinary skills on the chorus and guest coaches but she is the first to support the chorus' fundraising and sing outs. Inese has organised the supper for many years and is tireless in her job, being the last to leave most Wednesdays. Inese is very deserving of this award.

I would like to nominate Inese Hospitality Queen extraordinaire. Inese cooks all of our visiting coaches giving them the best culinary meals and refreshments, no matter what particular dietary requirements are asked for, and there are many, nothing is a trouble to Inese. Inese is always smiling and giving wonderful hugs. Always genuinely caring for others, dependable and generous with her time and many talents. Inese is a beautiful dedicated Bari and very much loved member of the bunch. Inese has excellent attendance at rehearsals, performances and bunch.

Inese is unfailing in her efforts. Cooking special dishes for our coaches, making sure everyone is well fed and watered. As well, she reliably turns up to all out singouts.

STEPHANIE WALLBANK

Steph dedicates a lot of time and energy to supporting Vicki and all chorus members in whatever way she can with love and joy.

KATE HAWKINS - withdrawn

Kate is grateful and honored to be nominated, but has asked to be withdrawn from the nominations as she has already been a recipient of the award.

ANZAC DAY – 25 April 2018

CKC will be rehearsing on Anzac Day, normal rehearsal time.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 25 April 2018

All positions will be declared vacant and we will be seeking nominations for all of the management team positions

- Team Co-coordinator
- Finance Manager
- Secretary
- Membership Chair
- Public Relations Co-coordinator
- Performance Co-coordinator

The newly elected team can then appoint up to three other ladies to join the team. All chorus members are invited to submit applications for any position on the management team. A term of office for all positions on the Management Team (except the Chorus Director) is one year.

If you are interested, or you know of someone who is interested in a role on the Management Team please advise the Nominating Committee. Each applicant will be interviewed for the role by the committee from which a slate of candidates will be prepared.

The Nominating Committee are Karen Totaro, Cheryl Benson, Sharon Sullivan, Alison Anderson and Diane Jenkins.

Notice of Special General Meeting

A special general meeting will be held on 25 April 2018.

The purpose of this meeting will be to adopt a new set of Rules for Incorporation for our chorus. The reason for this is that the Regional Management Team has developed a Region 34 Sweet Adelines Rules for Incorporation document so that every chorus in Australia is able to operate under the same rules.

These rules are very similar to those that our chorus has lodged with our State Incorporation Body. The main difference in these rules is:

it allows for Sweet Adelines choruses in Australia who are incorporated to terminate membership. Sweet Adelines International rules are that a chorus membership can only be terminated by the International Board. Because our incorporation guidelines require the ability for an incorporated association to be able to terminate membership (with an appropriate appeals and grievance process), Sweet Adelines International has agreed that, since this is our law,

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they will accept that a chorus membership can be terminated by the chorus, as long as notification is given for the reason and the process to International. This does not include Sweet Adelines Membership, it is only in relation to membership within the chorus.

A copy of the Rules for Incorporation are available to view prior to the meeting on our website, please click on this link to access.

<https://circularkeys.org/node/11850>

STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations Stephanie Wallbank for creating the coaching notes.



To nominate a member:

Please email Jen Senior (jasenior@hotmail.com) with the member's name and short description as to why you would like to nominate that person.

CKC COMMITTEES 2018

Soon you will have the opportunity to volunteer on one of our many committees. So start thinking about where you believe you can help our chorus and bring your enthusiasm and team work.

Committees to consider are:

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| • Finance | • Music Librarian | • Wardrobe |
| • Membership | • Fund Raising | • Costume |
| • Public Relations | • Social | • Makeup |
| • Historian | • Resource Librarian | • Web Team |
| • Hospitality | | |
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COACHING RECAPS – MOLLY HUFFMAN

- Start singing as an "A" chorus at all times no matter where in the rehearsal
- Have mouth open ready to sing "AH Ha"
- Relax our heads
- Lower gaze when singing - as if talking to somebody
- Low relaxed breaths every time
- Sing past Vicki – every breath and tone
- Sing wide not loud
- Articulate - Consonants out front
- Storytelling breaths - at every moment
- Trust your vocal skills
- Keep voices buoyant
- Vocal line needs to keep moving forward
- Weight on the Left Foot – aids connection

- Take ownership of the plan
- Advertise A level singing
- Lead Vicki don't follow
- Don't rely on director energy - give energy back to Vicki
- Invitation breath - come to Australia
- "Nasty" - go nasty
- Leadership from the melody line - be moxie
- "TONGUE YOGA"

MEMBER LEAVE

Are you planning on taking holidays or unable to attend rehearsal?

If so please email absence@circularkeys.org

Using this email address ensures the Musical Director, Membership and the Music Team are all notified at the same time.

SUPPER ROSTER

Wed 28. 3. 18	VERNE M, MAREA W, INESE (cake), KAREN TOTARO	VERNE & INESE
Wed 4. APRIL	DORIS W, ANN K, JEN S, KAYE K	KAYE & INESE
Wed 11. APRIL	CAROL L, LYN H, ALISON A, VERNE	ALISON & VERNE
Wed 18. APRIL	CHERYL B, MARIA P, SUE G, JENNY D	JENNY & INESE
Wed 25. APRIL	LIZ PW, LISSA L, PIPPA A, YASI (cake)	YASI & INESE
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Wed 2. MAY	RACHAEL M, JESSI F, SUSAN K, ANNE H	SUSAN & ANNE
SAT 5. MAY	(Lynne Smith coaching) TREBLE CLEFFS	H TEAM
SUN 6. MAY	(Lynne Smith coaching) BASS CLEFFS	H TEAM
Wed 9. MAY	STEPH W, PIPPA A, BARB M, KAYE K	KAYE & INESE
Wed 16. MAY	CAROL L, JEN S, MARIA P, MAREA W	YASI & INESE
Wed 23. MAY	SUE G, SUSAN K, ANNE H, ALISON A	ALISON & INESE
Wed 30. MAY	KAREN TUCKER, CATHY B, LYN H, INESE (cake)	VERNE & INESE

SUGGESTION BOX

The Suggestion Box is kept on top of the microwave during rehearsal for you to place a note you would like management Team to address.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

Jessica Foulke Mar 27

Doris Ward Mar 29

Kathleen Ware Apr 02

Kaitlyn Dwyer Apr 04

DIARY DATES

2018	
April 15	Bunnings BBQ – Castle Hill
May 5 - 6	Coaching Workshop – Lynne Smith
May 17-20	Regional Competition – Hobart @ Wrest Point
May 19	Bunnings BBQ – Castle Hill
June 16, 17	Coaching Workshop – Glenda Lloyd
June 13 or 18	EISTEDDFOD – Date to be confirmed
June 24	Coaching – Jana Gutenson
June 27	Coaching – Lori Lyford
August 3, 4, 5	Coaching Workshop – Details TBA
September 1	Coaching Workshop – Glenda Lloyd
September 5	Coaching – Lynne Smith
September 8	CKC Show – Hornsby RSL
October	SAI International – St Louis
December 1	Sydney Harmony Concert @ Independent Theatre



INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION – ST LOUIS

- Arrival Date: Thursday 11 October 2018
- Performance: Saturday 13 October 2018 (location TBA)
- Performance: Sunday 14 October 2018 – 6pm @ Hyatt Regency St Louis
- **Harmony Classic (Competition Day); Tuesday 16 October 2018**
- Wednesday – Quartet Semi Finals
- Wednesday – Chorus & Family Social Event (details TBA)
- Thursday – Chorus Semi Finals
- Friday – Mass Sing
- Friday – Quartet Music Education Class
- Friday – Quartet Finals
- Friday – Coronet Club Show (tickets sold separately)
- Saturday – Chorus Music Education Class
- Saturday – Chorus Finals
- Sunday – Checkout

** Don't forget Harmony Bazaar!!!

ST LOUIS REHEARSALS

Saturday - 13 October	Rehearsal & Show	Times TBA
Sunday - 14 October	Hotel Check In	Marriott Grand
Monday - 15 October		
9 - 11am	River Blender Risers	Room TBA
1 - 3pm	Intl Risers	Marriott Grand, Riser Room Landmark 6
Tuesday - 16 October		
1 - 3pm	Intl Risers	Marriott Grand, Riser Room Landmark 6
10 - 12pm	River Blender Risers	Score review

Items to take into account:

- Flights
- Insurance
- Daily expenses approx. \$50 to \$100 USD per day
- Competition Registration - \$225 USD
- Accommodation 11 and 12 October in St Louis
 - Option 1 – own arrangements
 - Option 2 – be hosted by River Blenders Chorus member & GIFT
- Accommodation 13 to 21 October at Convention Hotel - \$\$ TBA approx. \$1000 USD.
- Tours you may wish to take

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- Shopping & transport

Recommend budgeting approx. \$5000 -\$6000

HOTEL – Grand Marriott

Hotel booking form to be completed with dates, roommate/s and credit card for holding purposes only.

Please see CAROL Lutz for a form and if you need a room mate.

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/stlmg-marriott-st.-louis-grand/>

REGISTRATION

- Early Bird Ends 16 April - \$225 USD
- Late Registration - 16 April to 30 June - \$275 USD

Please see JUDITH Bourne to put your name for registration.

The chorus will pay the registrations in USD and will invoice members for actual cost in Australian dollars.

