

Secret Chorus Business

4th September, 2024



- ❖ **NO REHEARSAL THIS WEEK: PARTY LIKE IT'S 2020 SOCIAL CATCHUP ON ZOOM**
- ❖ Please wear your comfiest clothes (PJs encouraged) and bring your drinks and snacks of choice
- ❖ Bring a pen/pencil and paper
- ❖ The fun kicks off 7:30pm
- ❖ Join Zoom Meeting:
- ❖ <https://uws.zoom.us/j/85340393301?pwd=3HFotDgkNj2THWgFoECzcp14sel78q.1>
- ❖ Meeting ID: 853 4039 3301
- ❖ Password: 545730
- ❖ P.S. If you haven't used Zoom in a while you might need to update the app ahead of time

CKC FEE INFORMATION

Circular Keys Chorus charges an annual fee to cover the costs of venue hire for rehearsals and coaching sessions, Director's Honorarium, International and Regional fees, costumes, insurance and other costs related to running an organisation, music and learning tracks, promotional materials such as banners ... and more. As you can see, not all of these expenses are related to running rehearsals, which is why we pay every month including the weeks we do not rehearse (eg Christmas/January break).

The annual fee is broken up into 12 equal payments of \$60 per month. It can be paid annually (\$720), quarterly (\$180), or on another regular basis (always in multiples of \$60 please), but it needs to be paid in advance for a member to be in good standing. These fees are also payable even if you are not attending rehearsals, and if a member is taking leave, fees should still be paid in advance so that membership is maintained. This is because all our costs remain the same, whether or not individual members are attending.

If paying your fees slips your mind, add it to your diary, or set up direct debit so that the fees are paid when due. If you do forget your fees and the Finance Manager reminds you, please pay the outstanding amount promptly. Remember that the Finance Manager is a volunteer, and we need to be considerate of her time by paying our fees regularly and by responding to her requests promptly and with courtesy.

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WHAT'S NEW



Star of the Week

Congratulations to Jane – our shining star of the week: thank you for all you do for the chorus, including as Fundraising Chair, Performance Coordinator, for your fun warmups and your assistance with the Baritone section rehearsals.

Thank You

Many thanks to all who contributed to a very successful second Taster Night last week, especially to the Hospitality Team and chorus members for a great supper, Frances for greeting the visitors and supplying name tags, Jane for her fun warmup, and to everyone who chatted with the visitors and made them feel welcome. The visitors all had a great time and many of them would like to return to sample more.

We're planning to run more Taster Nights later in the year: 13 and 20 November.

Bunnings Cake Sale: Saturday 7th September – 10am-4pm – Message from Jane, Fundraising Chair

The fundraising team would love your help to make the cake sale a success and raise much needed cash for the chorus.

1. You can support the event by donating homemade goodies to sell on the day. Things that have sold well in the past are:

*Whole cakes

*Brownies

*Slices/tray bakes

*Dog treats

*Items that cater to special dietary requirements, eg. Gluten free, vegan, paleo etc.

Generally anything that looks homemade and you can't buy commercially is popular. Things like popcorn, lolly bags and cookies often get ignored as these can be easily bought at the local supermarket.

If you really hate baking, you can also help us by donating items that we can use on the day, such as cake boxes, paper bags, gloves, tongs etc. Please get in touch to let us know what you would like to donate.

2. We will also need help with running the stall on the day. If you can spare an hour or two to sell goodies, please email Kaity Dwyer and indicate whether you would prefer to help in the morning or afternoon and she will organise a roster.

Thank you, we really appreciate your support! The Fundraising Team

BHA Barbershop Festival

Barbershop Harmony Australia is holding its Barbershop Festival on the Gold Coast from 4-8th September. For more information, visit their festival website <https://www.barbershopfestival.com.au/>

To access the festival webcast visit <https://www.barbershopfestival.com.au/> They are requesting a suggested donation of \$20 to support this service.

Cancelled Rehearsals – Dates

There will be no rehearsals on the following dates:

- ❖ September 4th 2024
- ❖ October 23rd 2024
- ❖ October 30th 2024

The Social Team are working on some ideas for other activities on those nights – so stay tuned

Endeavour Harmony Family and Friends Concerts

- ❖ Showcasing Endeavour Harmony's Harmony Classic Package Endeavour
- ❖ Featuring Alouette and other top quartets
- ❖ Tuesday October 1, 7:40pm-8:40pm, Engadine Community Center
- ❖ Saturday October 12, 4:00pm-5:00pm, Mortdale Community Center
- ❖ Tickets \$20; refreshments provided
- ❖ For more information and to RSVP: <https://www.endeavourharmony.org.au/upcoming-performances>

*When you make a mistake, throw your hands in the air and say
"How fascinating!"*

Benjamin Zander

77th Annual International Convention and Competition Columbus, Ohio

October 20–25, 2025 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center

'Chords will ring in Columbus October 2025'

Thursday October 23 2025, Chorus Semifinals

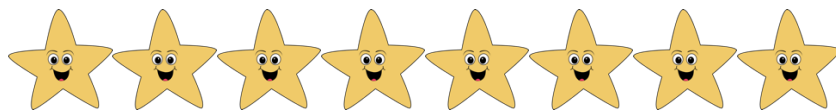
Contestant # 22: Circular Keys Chorus

Integrity ☆ Commitment ☆ Fun ☆ Dare to be Different



Check out the Greater Columbus Convention Center on the YouTube link below

<https://youtu.be/bgOkxbKo1BE>



CKC COMMITTEES 2024-5

HOSPITALITY

Chair: Sue Winter

Jenny Do Rozario

Kaye Kendall

Sue Rosenblum

Sue Kelly

Marea Witt

Anne Harris

FUNDRAISING

Chair: Jane Masters

Courtney Churchward

Ann Keating

Sue Winter

Kaity Dwyer

Crystal Forbes

REHEARSAL EQUIPMENT

Chair: Kaye Kendall

Spring Zeng

Anne Thompson

Emma Edwards

Heather Baeza

COACH COORDINATION

Kath Ware

Pippa Anderson

Rachael Moessis (Reserve)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Jessie Foulke

Jen Kumar

Anne Thompson

CKC TEAMS

WEB TEAM

Carol Lutz - Webmaster

Kath Ware – Public Pages

COSTUME

Kath Ware - Chair

MAKEUP

Kaity Dwyer

If there are teams or team members missing from the lists above, please let Rachael know

Member Birthdays



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| ❖ Pippa Anderson | September 10 |
| ❖ Kaye Kendall | September 24 |
| ❖ Susan Kelly | September 28 |
| ❖ Ann Keating | October 7 |

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, Team Coordinator, Membership and the Music Team are all notified at the same time.

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| ❖ Carol Lutz | 26 th June–30 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Spring Zeng | 21 st August – 12 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Betty Fuller | 24 th August - 20 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Sue Winter | 26 th August - 27 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Ann Keating | 29 th August - 24 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Rachael Moessis | 14 th -30 th September 2024 |
| ❖ Jenny Do Rozario | 23 rd September - 30 th October 2024 |
| ❖ Pippa Anderson | 25 th September-20 th October 2024 |
| ❖ Kath Ware | 10 th -31 st October 2024 |
| ❖ Cheryl Wolfenden | 14 th October-10 th November 2024 |



Diary Dates 2024

| 2024 | |
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| Wed 4 th September 2024 | No rehearsal – Social Activity run by the Social Team on Zoom |
| Wed 4 th -Sun 8 th Sept 2024 | BHA Barbershop Festival – Gold Coast and webcast |
| Sat 7 th Sept 10am-4pm | Bunnings Cake Stall Fundraiser – CKC |
| Tues 1 st Oct 7:40-8:40pm | Endeavour Harmony Family and Friends Concert 1 |
| Sat 12 th Oct, 4:00-5:00pm | Endeavour Harmony Family and Friends Concert 2 |
| Wed 23 rd October 2024 | No rehearsal – activity TBA |
| 28 th Oct-2 nd Nov 2024 | International Convention in Kansas City, Missouri |

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| Tues Oct 29, 2024 | Harmony Classic: Endeavour Harmony is Contestant #5 in Div AA |
| Wed 30 th Oct, 2024 | International Quartet Semi-finals: Alouette is Contestant #37, Skylark #41 |
| Wed 30 th Oct 2024 | No rehearsal – activity TBA |
| Sat 2nd Nov 2024 | Fundraising: Bunnings BBQ CKC Castle Hill |
| Sat 16 th Nov 12pm | Quartet Masterclass. Regional event via Zoom |
| Fri 29 th Nov 12.20pm-2.40pm 2024 | Performance: Choirs in the City: Martin Place Christmas Tree |
| Sat 7th Dec 2024 | Fundraising: Bunnings BBQ CKC Castle Hill |
| Sun 1 st Dec 6-8pm 2024 | Performance: Choirs in the City: Martin Place |
| Thurs 12 th Dec 6-8pm | Performance: Choirs in the City: Martin Place |
| Mon 16 th Dec 6-8pm | Performance: Choirs in the City: Customs House |
| Sat 1 st March 2025 | REF visit and chorus coaching with Emily Moriarty |
| October 20–25, 2025 | Sweet Adelines International Convention & Competition, Columbus Ohio |

Management Team

- ❖ Musical Director: Vicki Dwyer
- ❖ Team Co-ordinator: Rachael Moessis
- ❖ Finance Manager: Susan Kelly
- ❖ Secretary: Anne Harris
- ❖ Public Relations Co-Ordinator: Jen Kumar
- ❖ Performance Co-Ordinator: Jane Masters
- ❖ Membership Chair: Frances Gurto
- ❖ Appointed Member: Diane Jenkins
- ❖ Appointed Member: Crystal Forbes
- ❖ Appointed Member: Pippa Anderson

Many thanks to returning team members, and to those joining this year. We appreciate the time, skills and commitment you dedicate to the smooth running of the chorus.

Music Team

- ❖ Musical Director: Vicki Dwyer
- ❖ Assistant Musical Director: Diane Jenkins
- ❖ Bass Section Leaders: Jenny Do Rozario, Betty Fuller
- ❖ Baritone Section Leader: Kaity Dwyer
- ❖ Lead Section Leaders: Rachael Moessis, Liz Perry-Windhorst
- ❖ Tenor Section Leader: Diane Jenkins
- ❖ Visual Team: Courtney Churchward (and Heather Baeza)

Chorus Fine Print

SUGGESTION BOX

Have a suggestion you want to raise? Send it to suggestionbox@circularkeys.org

This email has been set up so that it is sent to the Team Coordinator. All suggestions will be discussed by the Management Team.

Please remember to send your suggestions with kindness – it makes it easier for the Management Team to receive them with kindness.

ABOUT THE STAR OF THE WEEK

Any member of the chorus can nominate someone who has gone above and beyond, who has personally helped you, who has made a special difference or contribution to the Chorus or who has tried extra hard.

There are many other positive attributes that can be recognized with this award. To nominate a member, simply email Frances Gurto (fgurto@gmail.com) with the member's name and short description as to why you would like to nominate them. If no nominations are received, the star will not be awarded.

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