MEMBERSHIP REPORT CIRCULAR KEYS CHORUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 16 APRIL 2025

Our membership currently stands at 33 and we have 6 ooters planning to join us in Columbus for the 2025 International Convention. While we added 4 new members during the year, we unfortunately lost 7. Among those leaving were several long-term members.

At the 2024 convention in Fremantle we once again achieved the fantastic result of 2nd overall and 2nd midsize (AA) chorus. We were offered and accepted a wildcard entry to compete in Columbus in October 2025. Alouette also had a great competition and came 2nd. They were offered and accepted a wildcard entry to compete in Kansas City in October 2024, and put on a fabulous performance.

There was one longevity pin awarded to Diane Jenkins in March for her amazing 25 year membership.

The Doris Ward Award recipient for 2025 is Rachael Moessis, who has been recognised for her huge contribution to the chorus in many areas. Rachael will be presented with her award in Hobart in May as our Sweet Adeline of the Year for 2025.

Taster nights were held in July and August and resulted in 4 new members. This is a great result.

Sweet Adelines International is currently running a programme called "Mission: Retention". This requires the submission of a monthly entry of various kinds but has yet to provide us with a \$US 500 prize.

We congratulate Kaity and Courtney who celebrated their marriage in August with a beautiful garden ceremony. A group of members sang for them on the night.

We are currently working hard on 2 new songs to compete in Columbus in October. Along with our 6 ooters we plan to be small but mighty.

Frances Gurto Membership Chair