



 **KU-RING-GAI**
— MALE CHOIR —

Notes

2023/2

Welcome to this second edition of KMC **Notes**, to keep supporters informed about the Choir and up-to-date with what's happening. It's a bit late for the end of Term 2, but better late than never (so they say!).

Friends of the KMC

Since the last edition of KMC Notes, as well as our Patrons, the Governor of NSW, Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, and her husband, Mr Wilson, and our current Friend, the Hon. Paul Fletcher MP, the newly elected member to the State seat of Davidson, the Hon. Matt Cross, has accepted our invitation to be a second Friend of the KMC, replacing Mr Jonathan O'Dea, who retired at the March election.

The State of the Choir

Since the last edition of KMC **Notes** an additional B2 has been inducted. However, it is with grateful thanks that we bid farewell to David Magnusson from the B1s after 29.5 year of commitment to the Choir. David's health now prevents him from continuing to sing with us. So there are now 37 men in the choir (17B1, 9B2, 6T1, 5T2). Dr Paul Whiting OAM, our Music Director, has been reprising songs the choir hasn't sung for some time and so our repertoire is widening. To see and hear some of these songs go to the Song Centre on the website Home Page: www.kuringgaimalechoir.org.au

Concerts in 2023

So far this year we have sung at the Top Ryde Library and successfully performed at 4 Retirement Villages. There are still 6 evening concerts to come. However, our most important fundraising event for the year will be held at the Hornsby RSL on Sunday, 10 September. The theme for this concert will be **The Joy of Song - Kuring-gai Male Choir presents music that lifts the heart.** Accompanying this KMC **Notes** is a poster and a page with 2 A5 handouts in the hope that you will print some off and distribute to family and friends. Tickets are now available as described on the foot of the poster.

Again we have been truly blessed by the generosity of a supporter with the donation of a painting and the wife of a choir member with the donation of a quilt for prizes in the raffle. These are substantial items for which we are most grateful – the winner of each will no doubt cherish having been fortunate enough to win them in the raffle on the day.

Vale Rasa Blansjaar

It is with great sadness that Joe advised us that his dear wife, Rasa, passed away. A service celebrating her life was held recently at Mt Victoria.

Until next time, keep well and enjoy the singing.

