



 **KU-RING-GAI**
— MALE CHOIR —

Notes

2023/3

Welcome to this third edition of KMC **Notes**, to keep supporters informed about the Choir and up-to-date with what's happening.

Friends of the KMC

Our KMC Friend, the Hon. Matt Cross, and his wife Gessika were our guests at the Hornsby RSL Concert on Sunday, 10 September. After addressing the audience, Matt kindly drew the tickets of the two raffle winners who received a quilt made by the wife of a choir member or a painting by the wife of a former choir member.

Concerts in 2023

Since the last edition of KMC **Notes** we have successfully performed at 2 Retirement Villages and the Hornsby RSL. We look forward this year to 4 more evening concerts, particularly a public concert for the Killara Music Club at Ravensworth School, 10 Henry St., Gordon on Monday, 25 September at 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome to this concert.

Our concert at the Hornsby RSL on Sunday, 10 September, with the theme **The Joy of Song - Ku-ring-gai Male Choir presents music that lifts the heart**, attracted some 240 attendees. The choir, under the leadership of our conductor Paul Whiting, performed wonderfully to a very appreciative audience. Our Guest Artists, Anita Kyle and Lucinda Beck, sang splendidly,

and Hank Xiang, our accompanist, did a sterling job for us and them with some really difficult music to play.

The State of the Choir

Since the last edition of KMC Notes an additional B1 has been inducted. So there are now 38 men in the choir (18B1, 9B2, 6T1, 5T2). Even at this time we are planning for the next MCAA Festival to be held in Adelaide on Sunday, 4 May 2025. Dr Paul Whiting is a member of the Repertoire Advisory Panel which has chosen the songs for this festival.

Having been successful in winning a Federal Government grant to upgrade "our uniform", we are replacing our 24 years old coats with a more modern style in Royal Blue material and will have our current logo embroidered on the chest pocket. We are still thinking about replacing our ties. This new uniform should be ready for concerts in 2024.

On our website www.kuringgaimalechoir.org.au you will see that the KMC is a registered charity. Moreover, donations over \$2 to the Ku-ring-gai Male Choir are now fully tax deductible. If you wish to make a donation, please contact the Secretary on info@kuringgaimalechoir.org.au for our bank details.

Until next time, keep well and enjoy the singing.

