



KU-RING-GAI — MALE CHOIR —

Notes

2026-1

Welcome to this first edition of KMC **Notes** in 2026 to keep our Patrons, Friends and Supporters informed about the Choir and up to date with what's happening.

Concerts during 2026

With the arrival of our new Music Director/Conductor Warren Fisher, we have been settling into a new way of rehearsing and preparing for concerts. Our practices continue to be fun time for all. At the end we all realise we have learnt something new and that we have been working really hard mentally, physically and vocally.

So far this year we have presented a concert at Aminya Village in early March. The choir of 25 was conducted by Warren in public for the first time, with Anita Kyle as Associate Artist contributing to the program. The small audience appreciated our performance and enjoyed joining in some of the songs.



Again, this year the choir supported the ANZAC day ceremony presented by the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway located at Concord West on 18 April. For this the choir sang "We will remember them" as our interlude, led the assembly in singing the hymn "O God of every nation", and supported the singing of

the New Zealand and Australian National Anthems. The ANZAC Address was delivered by General the Honourable Sir Peter John Cosgrove AK,AC (Mil) CVO, MC (Retd).



On ANZAC Day six representatives of the choir sang at ceremonies held at Turramurra and Wahroonga. Our role was to lead the assemblies singing the Recessional, the NZ and the Australian National Anthems. Our contribution prompted this response from the organiser: *"Any superlatives I used to describe the choir would not do them justice. They were magnificent as both our services were transformed by their presence and singing. Their rendition of the first verse of the New Zealand National Anthem in Maori was simply magical. We received many comments on the day as to how well the choir sang."* We look forward to supporting these ceremonies next year.



How's the Choir going?

Currently a choir of 30, we have welcomed one new member this year, while the challenges of night driving, health and age have led to us saying farewell to 4 others. We thank them all for their contributions and friendship over many years, and wish them well into the future. As always, we are keen to welcome additional singers, particularly tenors, to join us in our weekly celebration of choral music and friendship each Tuesday evening. We are also currently searching for about 6m³ of space we might use for storage of our spare blazers and portable piano. For further information please contact the Secretary on info@kuringgaimalechoir.org.au.

