



<p><u>SACB Important dates:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday 29th May 2pm “Movies in Maytime” Kingston City Hall • Thursday 14th July 7pm Massed Bands’ Concert Rehearsal Kingston City Hall • Sunday 17th July 11.30am Final Rehearsal. All required to attend. Kingston City Hall • Sunday 17th July 2pm “Massed Bands Concert” Kingston City Hall • Sunday 30th October 2pm Concert for the People Kingston City Hall 	<p>Presidents’ Report...</p> <p>Welcome to this edition of the SACB newsletter – it has been quite a while in the making, and I would like to thank our new Editor, Shana Parsons, for the time and dedication required to put it together.</p> <p>By now, many people will be aware that there has been an exciting new development within the Southern Area Concert Band organisation. Mid-way through 2004 a sub-committee was formed to investigate the formation of a Southern Area Training Band. This process was completed early in 2005, and the first training band rehearsal was held on May 2nd, 2004. Many thanks to Jeremy de Korte and the sub-committee for making this happen.</p> <p>The Training Band is aimed toward instrumental students of all ages, or players who are returning to playing after a period away from their instrument, who wish to be part of a community band in a supportive environment. As with the main band, we are always looking for new players, so if you have any enquiries, please contact either myself on 0401 988 141 or Jeremy on 0419 599 639.</p> <p>Thank you also to Alex Burke for the fantastic work she has done in selling the entertainment books. So far she has raised \$350 for the band. To put this into perspective, \$350 allows the band to purchase 2 or 3 new charts for performance, and allows the committee to keep memberships down to the current levels.</p> <p>And finally, I look forward to seeing you all at our next major event for 2005 – our annual May Concert on May 29th.</p> <p>Darryn.</p>	
<p><u>To Contact us:</u></p> <p>Email: sacb@optusnet.com.au</p> <p>Phone:</p> <p>Darryn Wright: 0401 988 141 Peter Northwood: 0413 087 990</p> <p>Website: www.geocities.com/southernarea</p> <p>Anyone is welcome to participate or listen in at our rehearsals</p> <p>Rehearsals: Moorabbin Girl Guide Hall Dane Road, Moorabbin. (Opposite IKEA)</p> <p>Southern Area Training Band: Monday Nights 6.00-7.00pm</p> <p>Southern Area Concert Band: Monday Nights 7.30—9-30pm</p>	<p><i>Should you be about to experience <u>prolonged</u> absence from rehearsal or are unable to attend rehearsal close to a concert then please do not hesitate to get in contact with your section leader. Please make sure that you have your section leaders’ contact details.</i></p> <p>On another Note: Could all members please refrain from parking inside the gated area at the hall, unless you are unloading/loading percussion or are genuinely disabled and require closer access. Thank you.</p>	<p><u>CHOCOLATES!!!</u></p> <p>Southern Area is again selling chocolates, these boxes of Freddo varieties, will be available at the May Concert or from most of our members in the coming period of time.</p> <p>There are a number of varieties available.</p> <p>These thoroughly yummy treats are priced at a reasonable \$1 per twin pack or giant Koala/Frog.</p> <p>For details or to help out with this fundraiser please call Kate Hubbard on 9773 1019.</p>



The Annual General Meeting

April 2005

Southern Area Concert Band held its Annual General Meeting on the 18th of April this year. As always this is the band's official chance to review the previous twelve months and decide our future leadership for the coming twelve months.

This year, we were honoured with a number of visitors, Isobel Lister representing the Guides, Min Wright from Chelsea Concert Band and from the Victorian Bands League, Helen Gray, Irene Magoulis, and Sandra Baker.

The evening was opened with formal welcomes to all attending, followed by the presentation of the President's report from Darryn Wright.

The report from our Musical Director, Mr. Craig Seymour followed with many thanks flowing freely, in particular, Darryn Wright, *'for so capably taking over rehearsals, concerts and contests while I was recovering from my last period of infirmity'*, Mr Jeremy de Korte for overseeing the groundwork for Southern Area Training Band, and the band as a whole for their commitment to community music making.

Thanks were also extended to the City of Kingston for their continuing sponsorship and to the outgoing committee of the previous twelve months for the hard work that has been put in. Good wishes were also extended to the VBL with best wishes for their future.

Mr. Peter White, submitted in his report, that the previous twelve months have been for our band a very good one financially, with no major expenditures and a decent profit margin, while our property officer announced the implementation in the next twelve months of a property register.

Kate Hubbard, our uniform officer, detailed our expenditure on new uniforms for our ever-growing band, Karen Taylor, our resident librarian, commented that 'just the usual stuff' happened this year.

With the presentation of formal reports to the band from the officers of the committee complete, we were addressed by Helen Grey representing the VBL, informing us of the implementation of a new computer based registrar this year. An open invitation was also extended to any who would be interested in joining the executive of the VBL, to represent the interests of Concert bands and for the committee for the 2007 Nationals to be held in Melbourne.

With all addresses to the band completed we were then down to the business end of the evening, the election of office bearers for the coming twelve months. There were a number of previous years committee members who elected not to stand this year.

Nancy Ovenden and Barry Jones, both elected to step down and not stand for committee this year, the band extends its many thanks to these individuals for the effort and time that they have contributed over the years. Jon Evans declined to stand for committee, but will continue in his role as VBL representative.

The results of this year's election produced a similar committee to that of last year, but with some new blood as well.

Southern Area Concert Bands Committee for 2005/06 are:

- **President** – Darryn Wright
- **Vice- President** – Alex Burke
- **Secretary** – Peter Northwood
- **Treasurer** – Peter White

Other committee members:

- Craig Seymour (Musical Director)
- Geoff Field (Property Officer)
- Kate Hubbard (Uniforms Officer)
- Sandra Fordyce-Voorham (Publicity Officer/VBL delegate)
- Jeremy de Korte (Training Band)
- Donna Fooks (KBN Delegate)
- Jessica Spiccia
- Karen Taylor (Librarian)

With the election of our new committee our re-elected president Mr. Darryn Wright formally closed the evening. Best of luck to the 05/06 committee, we look forward to the next twelve months with great expectations.

Massed Bands' Concert

By: Donna Fooks, KBN Delegate

Preparation is well under way for this year's Massed Bands' Concert. It is again to be held at the Kingston City Hall (formerly Moorabbin Town Hall), on Sunday July 17. All 4 bands from the Kingston Municipality shall be performing – Southern Area Concert Band, Mordialloc Brass Band, Chelsea Concert Band and Moorabbin Brass Band.

All 4 bands shall collaborate for an awe-inspiring finale that will leave you toe tapping all the way home. Music for the finale has been chosen from Australian Folk tunes, to wiz bang sound effects that will no doubt put our percussion sections in a frenzy.

Thanks to Adrian Nunes and the City of Kingston. This concert would not be possible without their support.

Note to all Band members: Rehearsals will be on Thursday July 14 at 7pm and Sunday July 17 at 11am. Attendance is compulsory at least one of the rehearsals or you will not be allowed to play in the finale.

Introduction to the Southern Area Training Band

By: Jeremy de Korte, Director SATB

I thought that I might start this introduction to the new Southern Area Training Band (SATB), with a bit of a comparison to plants given that I am a keen gardener as well as an over keen musician. You might ask me how does the creation and running of a training band compare with a plant? Then I would say I laid the seed of an idea around June 2004 with the SACB Committee. Watched it germinate in the form of a proposal. Saw the first stems of growth with the appointment of a sub-committee and the writing of aims and goals of which to follow. The first leaves begin to appear in the form of a report presented to the SACB committee and now as the plant becomes a fully fledged sapling the band begins operations, the baton has come down finally. Who knows what the plant will be like when maturing.

Firstly, to get this far and start up a new band I have been fortunate to work with some of the members of the SACB committee who put a huge amount of time and effort into making this idea work. To this end I thank members of the sub-committee: Darryn Wright (President SACB), Alex Burke (V.P SACB) Peter Northwood (Secretary SACB), Donna Fooks (KBN Delegate SACB) and later members of the sub-committee Peter White (Treasurer SACB) and Sandra Fordyce-Voorham (SACB Publicity Officer) The formation of a new sub-committee of SATB will be undertaken soon to reflect the new operational phase of SATB.

But you can't have a band without musicians, which goes without saying. On the 2nd of May a public meeting was held for prospective members of SATB. It was pleasing to see on the first rehearsal a week later, those musicians and a few more play their first notes in a new group. The formation of SATB has attracted a lot of interest in the musical community and I still continue to field calls from musicians who would like to have a go playing. So far there are 14 members of the SATB and we welcome them into the wider SATB/SACB community for that is what we are, a community brought together by the one ideal, which is the making music together.

I intend for SATB to have its own unique identity and musical focus. But the primary goals and aims on which the SATB is founded means that it can and will contribute, enhance and complement the operations of its parent organisation, the SACB. I am also fairly confident the SATB will be a success and will endeavour to make it so. There are many people involved with SACB, namely the whole band, who I have that thank for their continued support and interest in SATB. Many of them have stepped in recently to help with tutoring and mentoring and for this I am grateful.

This is just a small introduction and history of SATB and I hope to write many more reports on what SATB is up to in future editions of "Newsbeat". It has been an amazing experience for me being involved in the setting up of a new band and I am sure that the activities of SATB will be a positive experience for all involved.



SOUTHERN AREA CONCERT BAND JACKETS!

This year Southern Area has invested in Polar fleece jackets.

These jackets, are being used as a fundraising activity for the band, however they are a prime investment with winter coming on, and not restricted to band members alone.

These black jackets, complete with full zip and the bands logo are good value for only \$45, and are available in a range of sizes from XS to XXXL.

For full details or to arrange to try one on for size, please contact Kate Hubbard on: 9773 1019

The Last Committee Meeting in Brief:

- Discussion of the resurrection of the "Southern Stars" stage Band.
- *Sample Jackets* were presented to committee – It was decided that we should proceed with this fundraiser.
- We are looking into the purchase of a *photocopier* for the band room – this is still in the research stages for pricing.
- *Southern Area Training Band* commencement of operation.
- *New Members* of the SACB were approved.

**Committee minutes are always
available for reading in the band
room.**

"Movies In Maytime"

An exciting concert featuring all your favourite movie themes!

SUNDAY, MAY 29th 2005

Kingston City Hall

985 Nepean Highway, Moorabbin (Melways Ref 77D5)

*Concert Commences 2pm. Doors open at 1.30pm
Afternoon Tea served – Admission \$5 at the door*

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- **Sunday 5th June, 2pm**
 Monash Concert Band
 "Showcase Spectacular."
 Main Auditorium, Huntingtower School
 77 Waimarie Drive
 Glen Waverley
- **Saturday 18th June, 8pm.**
 Boroondara Symphonic Band
together with
 Balwyn Youth Concert Band.
 MLC Music Auditorium
 207 Barkers Rd Kew
- **Saturday 2nd July, 7.45pm**
 Manningham Concert Band
together with
 Croydon Wind Symphony.
 Luther College Ringwood.
- **Sunday 10th July 2pm**
 Stonnington City Brass
 Afternoon Tea Dance
 Prahran Town Hall

The Last Word...

We of Southern Area Concert Band sincerely hope that you will join us for our up and coming concerts. We promise an entertaining afternoon that will be long remembered.

Any parties interested in joining our band are invited to attend any of our rehearsals. Details are on the front page of this newsletter.

Alternatively if you are a beginning or returning musician of any age, you are welcome to attend the rehearsals of the new Southern Area Training Band, which practices between 6 and 7 on a Monday night at the Dane Road Guide Hall.

As this is the first of hopefully many further newsletters, we fervently hope that anyone with ideas or even criticisms will contact us on any of the following:

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