



Southern Area Concert Band

NewsBeat

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The Annual Massed Bands concert will be on Sunday August 2nd at 2pm at Kingston City Hall. There was a misprint in an earlier version of Newsbeat, and on our web site. This is the correct date. This is a free concert funded by the City of Kingston.

Also, don't forget our annual Concert for the People on September 20th. This will feature the entire Southern Area Family.

Important Dates:

Sunday, July
26th, 2.00PM
Southern Area
Training Band with
Stonnington City
Brass Training
Band.

Saturday, August
1st, 8.00PM
Swing Dance
Fundraising event
for Glen Waverley
Uniting Church.
Stage Band
Brentwood
Secondary College
Hall

Sunday, August
2nd, 2:00 PM
Annual Kingston
Massed Bands
Concert. SACB &
SATB.
Kingston City Hall.

Sunday,
September 20th,
2.00pm
Annual Concert for
the People. SACB,
SATB & SSSB.
Kingston City Hall

Saturday,
October 17th,
7.30pm
Big Band Boogie
Southern Stars Stage
Band Dance Party.
Bentleigh Secondary
College, Vivien St,
East Bentleigh.
Bookings 9593 1350.

From the Music Director...

2009 has already been off to an exciting start with a number of successful performances from all of our three bands (more details about some of these elsewhere in this newsletter)! This momentum will continue forward with the annual City of Kingston Massed Bands Concert on **August 2nd at 2:00PM at Kingston City Hall**, and the band's annual October concert (which is this year in September!) at **Kingston City Hall on September 20th from 2:00PM**. Again this year our annual *Concert for the People* will feature all three of the Southern Area Ensembles for a great afternoon of entertainment along the theme of *Around the World in 90 minutes*. Band members and audience should all take particular note that **tickets will need to be pre-purchased through the Kingston Arts Centre on 9556 4440**. Further details are available through our web site, but we have now introduced a family discounted ticket for the convenience of our friends.

Following the success of our May concert, the decision has been made to make the band and massed choir performance an annual event. The audience feedback was fantastic and the band and choirs had a thoroughly enjoyable day (which, after all is what it is all about!). Some of the choir members are so excited to be doing this concert with us again next year that they are finding the ways and means to help make the show even better in 2010, so watch this space for updates.

In January of this year, two of our band members, Jenny Corcoran and Donna Fooks, were involved in the annual ABODA Summer Conducting School. Since then they have had the opportunity to conduct our main band, with constructive comments made by myself and Eve. This is another exciting change that has happened within the band over the past six months. It's great to see people extending their horizons. Who knows – one of these band members could end up as the band's Music Director!

Our Southern Stars Stage Band has been asked to provide entertainment for a "Dessert and Dance" night on August 1st (the evening before the massed bands concert) at Brentwood Secondary College in Glen Waverley. This is a fund raising event for the Glen Waverley Uniting Church, so call your friends and organise a table and come and enjoy some fantastic swing dance music and great company! More details can be found on our web site, but **bookings are essential on 9560 3580** to allow for catering purposes.

I look forward to seeing all of our audience friends and some or all of our forthcoming performances, and wish everyone all the best for the rest of 2009.

Until next time...

Darryn.

Concert Band News:

On 17th May Southern Area in collaboration with Joyful Strains, Vocally Wild and Scott Harrison performed to a sell out crowd. Everyone (audience and performers) had a wonderful day. It was such a success that we are already planning for a repeat performance next May.



Southern Area, Vocally Wild, Joyful Strains and Scott Harrison on Wurlitzer May 17th 2009, Kingston City Hall



Southern Area Concert Band performing at Casey Concert Band Festival, Cranbourne, May 30th 2009

Saturday 30th May saw the Band head to Cranbourne for the Casey Concert Band Festival. The festival included Southern Area, Chelsea Concert Band, Southern Peninsula Concert Band and Cranbourne Lions Concert Band. It is a great opportunity to see other bands performing as well as performing ourselves.

Don't forget to write down the dates of our upcoming performances as listed on the front page. We wouldn't want you to miss out on any of our concerts.

Training Band News:

The training band performed at Aveo Kingston Green Retirement Village on Thursday 22nd May. They performed so well that they were asked to perform again for them sometime. There might even be a Christmas concert.

SATB will be once again performing with Stonnington City Brass Training Band this year. It will be at the Bentleigh-McKinnon Youth Centre, Bentleigh on Sunday July 26th at 2.00pm.

Stonnington City Brass presents its, Annual Concert on Friday 4th September, 7.30pm at Malvern Town Hall.

Details of all our upcoming performances (and past ones) are on our website www.sacb.com.au. There are pictures and even a few sound clips also for you to enjoy from past concerts.

Rehearsal Details:

Southern Area Concert Band:
Monday nights from 7.30pm – 9.30pm
Southern Area Training Band
Monday nights from 6pm – 7pm
Rehearsal Venue:
NG Wishart Senior Citizens Club
964 Nepean Highway Moorabbin
(Opposite Spotlight)

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If you or anyone you know are interested in joining one of our bands please contact either Darryn or Peter on the numbers above or if you prefer just come along to one of our rehearsals and have a play.