

CCB Meeting 3/02/2021

Opened 6:59pm by Tony

Present: Murray Bishop, Tony Flatman, Geoff Freestone, Barbara Reeves, Cheryl Ziemiecki, Gusztav Belanszky, Jenny Clisdell, Kerry Fielding, David Pollard, Kris Took, Rebecca Ward.

Apologies: All present

	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
Previous minutes of meeting held on 2/12/2020 read		Moved: Murray Seconded: Geoff Minutes accepted
<u>Business Arising from Minutes</u>		
Bunnings BBQ	Tony is negotiating with Narellan Bunnings for a date from March 2021.	Tony
Alleged Noise Complaint	Council came and tested levels. Although Tony asked for a report on any findings, he has received no feedback from Council.	
CCB Instruments for Hire by Mawarra School Band	Cheryl picked up the CCB owned instruments from stock and Murray has serviced and repaired them all. Mawarra PS is covering the servicing costs. The instruments will be hired out to Mawarra Band students and Murray will invoice them, with all money from the hire of the instruments coming to CCB.	
Uniform	Some of the vests received were too tight for some players, due to the way the players measured themselves. The band will not be ordering more vests at this point. After discussion the Committee confirms that regarding uniform - A long sleeved shirt/blouse is to be worn when wearing the vests. This is a sun safety issue. The decision on whether ties are worn or not will be made "on the day", depending on weather conditions and the formality of the event.	
Request for Website Knowledge	There hasn't been any uptake on the original request, but Gusztav reports that we are able to sell a depopulated version of our website at a price that would be discussed.	

Correspondence

In – # 5/12/2020 Band Association – Certificates from the Band Festival; # 11/12/2020 Band Association – Music Stand magazine; # 20/01/2021 Email from Cheryl/Tony re insurance with Band Association
Out – # 7/12/2020 to Eva – Greeting card and thanks for her support and ongoing interest

Treasurer's Report

Report February 3, 2021

The Mac Account

Last meeting the balance was \$6,575.79

Income since: Uniforms..... 65
Fees.....2,960
Transfer from ANZ..... 800
Council Relief Refund 1,200
Presentation Night..... 41
Grant from Govt Rescue...5,000
Instrument hire.....15
\$10,081

Expenses:

Presentation Night..... 499.40
Bank fee0.10
Hall Hire120.00
\$ 619.50

Current balance of Mac Account \$16,037.29

ANZ Account:

No transactions since last month

The current balance is \$829.19

Income since: Menangle Carols.....\$250

Expenses since: Transfer to Mac Account ..\$800

Balance in ANZ of \$279.19

Term Deposit in ANZ is \$13,094.79

Total Balance of all accounts \$29,411.27

<p><u>Reports</u> Director of Music</p>	<p>Cheryl was advised by the committee to pay the premium with the current insurer. Cheryl had sent an invoice to RSL. Discussion on this matter later in the minutes.</p> <p>Please read Murray's report for some hopes and directions for 2021. Murray particularly mentioned his desire to mark Anzac Day in some meaningful way.</p> <p>Murray answered a query from a band member regarding Social Band. He reports the current ensembles are working well, but acknowledges these groups will need to grow beyond what they currently are. In time, the current ensembles could be brought together to form the nucleus of a new group, incorporating COS members. There was also discussion on forming an adult learner group. Murray would like to see other people stepping into the role of leading these groups. Many ideas were discussed and there is much enthusiasm for the various groups we may be able to form that will benefit all.</p> <p>Murray also reminded that we need to remain vigilant re Covid 19. It is advisable to use the available QR code, but the Senior Citizens also require us to sign in each week. Chair cleaning must continue at the conclusion of band. It would be helpful if each band member could be aware of these requirements and help with this process.</p>	
<p><u>New Business</u> Band Supper</p>	<p>Due to Norma Flatman's recent surgery she is no longer able to provide her delicious suppers. The committee thanks Norma for her generosity over many years. It was decided that the band will look into purchasing single wrapped biscuits. This will prevent wastage and be Covid safe.</p>	
<p>New Flag</p>	<p>Tony pointed out that our National flag was becoming weathered. He will approach the local member to ask if the band can have a replacement of the National flag and also if we are permitted to have an indigenous flag.</p>	<p>Tony</p>
<p>Cupboard Space</p>	<p>Tony had written to the Senior Citizens to request that the band could have some cupboard space to store the surplus band uniforms. Unfortunately, the Senior Citizens Committee have denied this request.</p>	

<p>Band Registrations for 2021</p>	<p>Barbara has notified the committee that registrations are now due. Motion: That Barbara, as Secretary, has the authorisation to register the CCB members for registration with the Band Association for 2021 and will ask for an invoice for the calculated cost. This amount will be reported at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Moved: Tony Seconded: Murray Agreed</p>
<p>Invoice to RSL</p>	<p>Cheryl had sent an invoice to the RSL with an accompanying letter which unfortunately resulted in some misunderstanding. Murray tabled a letter of apology in response to the concerns of the RSL. This letter can be read at the end of these minutes. Motion: The apology letter to the RSL President, Committee and Members, signed by the CCB President and Director of music, which was tabled at the CCB Committee Meeting on 3rd February 2021, will be sent.</p> <p>To minimise the possibility of a re-occurrence of negative interpretations by recipients of our correspondence, it was recommended that all letters should be on appropriate letterhead and be reviewed by at least one other committee member such as the Secretary.</p>	<p>Moved: Gusztav Seconded: Jenny Agreed</p>
<p>Information Table at NTC</p>	<p>Geoff suggested having an information table at Narellan Town Centre to draw attention to the band and attract new members. Discussion followed. The idea has merit will be followed up.</p>	
<p>Date for next Committee Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday 3rd March, 2021</p>	

Meeting was closed by Tony at 8:26pm

Minutes prepared by Barbara Reeves

Director of Music Director of Music Report

February 2021

Welcome to a new year of banding!

We have already begun our year with a very successful concert on Australia Day which we were able to live stream from the Youth Club. This capability to use technology gives us an edge when it comes to moving our playing forward, we are able to perform and be seen by an audience and according to the latest Dept. of Health information we can have an audience present at our performances, therefore there is no impediment to us making plans, booking dates and getting on with the job of being a band.

Several performance opportunities were promoted last year by myself and I remain convinced that we need to put them in the book and work towards realising them as the time comes, in addition to that I would like us to look at some general playing opportunities such as playing on the bank corner etc just for fun and to engage our community, however at present it will take some convincing of our local council to allow us to continue.

ANZAC day will be a formal engagement for the band and as such I have started discussions over several contingencies, personally I am not satisfied just to do a repeat performance of our service last year but that remains a last resort, we will be talking with Camden RSL to ensure that something meaningful goes ahead, either a full service as we have done in the past, a smaller service with just invited guests or our own service as a live stream.

Our ensembles have kicked off again and I think we should be able to get a good ensemble gathering each week, you will notice that I have included some workshop sessions in the list, we can use these times for sectional rehearsal, skill development in a specific area or I hope to bring out some guests to impart their knowledge with us, so if there are areas you would like covered, please let me know.

We still need to be vigilant with respect to Covid Safety, however with the relaxing of regulations we do not need to take temperatures at this time and only need to maintain an accurate register of those attending as well as a clean-up of the seating as per usual.

Murray

Director of Music

Letter to RSL President, Committee and Members

February 2ND 2021

To: President, Committee and Members of Camden RSL Sub Branch.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the Committee and members of the Camden Community Band inc. we wish to tender our unreserved apologies for the unfortunately worded letter and invoice you received recently. It has been a tradition for a number of years to furnish an invoice to the Sub Branch for consideration of your donation and this appears to have occurred without regard to the cancellations of the previous year.

The band has enjoyed a long association with the Sub Branch and is extremely grateful for the substantial assistance you have offered for many years both financially and in kind.

Over the last few years we have been able to form a closer relationship with the Sub Branch so we are better placed to meet your needs both in the present and for the future as commemorative services develop in new ways and respond to current conditions. We would also like to look at performing a concert closer to ANZAC day with a view to sharing profits with the Sub Branch.

It has never been the intention of the band to restrict or diminish our services to the Camden RSL Sub Branch and we trust you accept our apology in good faith

Yours sincerely,

Tony Flatman

President

Murray Bishop

Director of Music