



	<p>7.1 15 canvas hats \$5 and 4 leather ones \$10 if anyone is interested.</p> <p>7.2 Geoff to look at options for our Christmas function.</p> <p>7.3 Options were presented to the committee of 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary badges and agreed on a gold tone one. Commemorative certificates to be given out and eventually a memorial book.</p> <p>7.4 The band will be seeking a new patron. Further discussion in the November meeting.</p> <p>Meeting closed 8.20pm</p> <p>Minutes prepared by Kris Took</p>	

**Director of Music Report**  
**September 2024 Committee Meeting**

August saw the band once again take the stage for the NSW state band contest. This year I saw a significant improvement in our preparation and performance, born out by our first major placing, a third in the sacred item. Overall, we achieved the highest points to date and moved off the bottom rung of the ladder.

September will see two very busy weekends of performances for the band, I ask that we make the registration of players for these a priority so we can ensure a full band each time for each performance. The dates are on the website as are the registrations.

The last week of September will see Jarrad and myself on tour in Europe, it is my expectation that band will continue in our absence. However, others need to step up to ensure the smooth operation of the ensemble. The following items need to be addressed:

**Last week of September:** Conductor for COS band: Geoff has agreed to run this rehearsal, but another adult band member should be on hand to assist.

**Senior Band:** Heather Burman has agreed to conduct for the three weeks, please make her welcome and support her in any way we can

**Scores:** the playlist will include the playout folder, and any originals will be left in the band cupboard for her to use, a member will have to be responsible for getting them out, distribution, collection and maintaining them for Jarrad. I will also leave an iPad with the scores and PDF parts which will connect to the printer.

**Opening:** we need to open the centre on a Tuesday and set the room up ready for rehearsal, I do not want Heather arriving to a mess.

**Keys:** I will leave my keys with Geoff for the duration

**Urn** etc.. will need to be filled and turned on etc.

**Percussion:** The band will not have a drumkit, Glock etc as they are Jarrad's equipment, the only percussion available will be what's in the cupboard and anything that Cheryl brings

**Email:** I will not be monitoring emails closely whilst on tour, I will be contactable for emergencies only via my daughter Ebony at my home, any correspondence will be attended to when I return

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