

CCB Committee Meeting 6/11/24

Opened:

1. Welcome by Tony

Present: Tony, Scotty, Kerry, Kris, Gus , Mark, Aaron, Dave, Murray, Jarrad, Geoff, Rachael

Apologies: Rebecca

	<u>Discussion</u>	By
2. Previous minutes of Committee 2/10/24	Confirmation of previous minutes read by Gus Accepted after a few typos. Moved by Scotty, seconded by Gus	Kris
3. Correspondence	In Email from Lion's Club and participation in the Australia Day Parad. Out Kris accepted the invitation	Committee
<u>4. Business Arising</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Claymore Christmas function. It was decided by the committee that we would not participate this year. 2. The search continues for a suitable venue for our concert next year. Many venues were discussed including Narellan Community Hall and some of the high school halls. It was discussed that we would like to stay in the whole area of Camden including Oran Park. We prefer not travel to Campbelltown. The committee will be looking further into options in the availability of chairs and the size of the stage. 3. Gus is doing registrations for Christmas end of year function. It was decided that performances would be of a vocal or instrumental nature. Murray suggested a sheet at the front for people who want to perform. Food is going to be bring your own plate to avoid allergies and waste. 	Scotty
<u>5. Treasurer's Report</u>	See attached sheet. Not much to report. The band bought Enid's jacket.	Murray
6. MD's Report	See attached	

<p>7. Other Business</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Many thanks to Heather for stepping up. Many band members thought it was a nice change. It is comforting to know that the band can still go on in the absence of the MD. 2. Christmas is approaching. Band members need to remember to register whether they are coming or not. 3. Kris to write a letter asking for the return of a band owned instrument that was on loan and is needed for other uses. 4. Moving forward for next year. The band needs more advertising. A lot of organisations recruiting for next year. The Dance Band and COS band is very fragile. The committee needs to decide on their future. 5. We need more community involvement eg markets, Argyle St and nursing homes. 6. The band needs to focus on moving ahead. 7. Rachael is to create some advertising material <p>7.1 A band patron. We need someone that will take interest in the band. Eva Campbell will be approached with some suggestions as to appointing an extra patron in addition to Eva.</p> <p>7.2 Selection of a deputy conductor as it is believed necessary. The successful candidate will run the COS band. The band has been lucky to have Harold and a junior conductor would be helpful. Murray to run a conductor's course sometime next year. It could mean a few extra casual conductors. A vast experience.</p> <p>7.3 Concert with Wollondilly is in the process. Great ideas are floating around. This concert is on December 22, at Picton Arts Centre to commence at 12.00pm. More details to come</p> <p>7.4 Correspondence from <u>RSL</u> that our proposal will go in front of the committee on November 11.</p> <p>7.5 Geoff to go to Narellan Town Centre to do some recruiting and advertising. Geoff was looking at a raffle prize. Murray is to donate a clarinet.</p>	<p>Tony and Committee</p> <p>Committee</p>
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7.6 Murray has some sousaphone covers which can be used for advertising by adding something to the centre using Velcro. He is hoping to have them ready by Australia Day in case we do not have enough flag and banner bearers

Meeting closed 7.56pm

Minutes prepared by Kris Took

Next meeting December 4 at Kris Took's house.

Director of Music Report
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Firstly, many thanks to Heather for stepping in for me whilst I was on tour, many band members who attended rehearsals during that time, felt her approach refreshing and a nice change. My thanks also to our committee and members of the band who stepped up to ensure the smooth running of the period.

As always we are heading into the crazy season approaching Christmas, it is vital that band members register and are aware of up coming events so we can plan accordingly, I ask that the committee also help by making registrations a priority, if a member cant get online they can tell.

The band has a euphonium on loan to D. Leemen as he played it in the intermediate band at one stage, I have asked for it to be returned several times without success, we need it back as the instrument George is using my own and I will be needing it for gigs in the near future, I ask for advice and assistance to recover the band instrument.

Looking into next year, I think we need to action some of the suggestions that have been made in the past couple of months, Advertising is something I feel the band is lacking, suggestions have ben made about new signage, posters and a presence in NTC, this needs to actually happen, likewise we will have to make decisions about the viability of COS and the Dance band, whilst both are currently fragile in their make up we either need to support them and grow them, have a plan for them or stop them.

Having had a good look at bands in Europe, it is well evident that community involvement is a priority to them, they play down the street regularly and seem to be at every community based function there is, they raise considerable funds by way of direct donation at these events regardless of whether they are also paid by the venue, I think we need to consider even just playing down the street 3 or 4 times a years or at a venue to raise the profile of the band.

Murray