CCB Committee Meeting 4/12/24

Opened:

1. Welcome by Tony

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

Apologies: David, Rachael			
	Discussion	Ву	
2. Previous minutes of Committee 2/11/24	Confirmation of previous minutes read by Kris Moved by Murray, seconded by Gus	Kris	
3.Correspondence 4. Business Arising	In Jill phoned me how The District Reporter has still not updated our venue from Camden PS. Tony has tried to get in touch with editor to amend or remove it altogether. Out Kris sent an email with the band's details and blurb for the Australia Day Parade	Tony	
	1. Band Patron: Sally Quinell will be approached and this will set a precedent to use a sitting state member for Camden as a patron for the band. We will also approach Ashley Cagney the current mayor. We are still waiting for a response from Eva Campbell as to her opinion of the above.		
	 RSL has approved \$1000 donation. Concert update A Very Dilly Christmas locked in and happening. Council is running the whole event and the band just has to turn up. Dance band is to play in 	Gus Murray/Scotty	
	the foyer 4. Narellan Town Centre information table not set in concrete as yet. Geoff is working hard to organise. Geoff has however been able to possibly organise the band playing at the fountain and be paid. There is no busking bucket allowed.	Geoff	
5. Treasurer's Report	 5. Sousaphone covers have been sent to the printer. Camden Community Band around the outside and the centre can be interchanged to suit the occasion. See attached sheet 	Murray	

	The band will be applying for some grants in the new year.	
6. MD's Report	Moved by Scotty, seconded by Murray	
	See attached	Murray
7. Other Business	7.1 The band needs to develop a strategic plan and business plan for our immediate future. This will be discussed early next year and we would like the input of all band members. 7.2 Mark and Trish attended an information evening about a new group of Camden business owners and councillors called The Spirit of Camden. Shane Smith who owns Dr. Crookston house want to use it as a venue for future functions. He was interested in having the dance band perform. There are many levels of membership to keep up the latest updates. The band will become members for \$30pa to help us get more recognition in the community. Moved by Murray, seconded by Geoff 7.3 Tony has asked for a budget of \$100 for end of year gifts 7.4 November website report. The website is working well and Gus is keeping an eye on entries as there are lots of robots in hyperspace. 7.5 The AH &I Hall is a venue the committee is looking at for our concert next year. Meeting closed 7.56pm Minutes prepared by Kris Took	Tony and Committee Gus

Director of Music Report

December 2024 Committee Meeting

We have reached the end of yet another year of banding and as we do I find myself thinking of three highlights this year. 1: our thirty-year concert, not only an outstanding performance but a significant achievement to bring and keep music alive in Camden. This also became Harolds last curtain call in the conductor's chair and what a way to bow out with the Barber of Seville.

- 2: Our state contest entry this year saw us really get to grips with the whole contest thing, I feel that musically our band grew in confidence and competence and to get a podium finish in the hymn was a terrific achievement.
- 3: The establishment of a sister concert band in Picton this means we are living up to our role as mentors and spreading the love of community music further than Camden.

Our committee met with some significant challenges from within the band and I felt they were handled in the best interests of the ensemble.

Looking toward 2025, to me there are three challenges facing us:

- 1: COS Band: this kids group needs a significant increase in members if it is to stay viable, meaning we must get the word out to schools to attract more people to us.
- 2: Greater community involvement, we are still finding out about community events after they happen and all to often not being included in them, not only is that detrimental to our community profile but also community events are the fun events to play at to break up the serious stuff
- 3: due to distractions in recent times I feel we have become tied down and stagnant, we need to start moving forward again to keep the interest building and to keep our enjoyment real

Thank you to our committee who so often endure most of the work, and I hope we can spread it around a bit more in the new year

Murray