



September 2011 Newsletter

Thanks

I have been asked by the Stonnington Singers to thank choir members for their excellent performance at their concert on 21st August. They were very thrilled with our singing and pleased that we could be with them for this concert. Well done everyone!

Chocolate Drive

Don't forget to return those monies to choir once you have eaten all the chocolates (or found someone else to eat them for you!) Thanks to those who have taken extra boxes!

New Main Choir Performance - Saturday 10th September

We have just accepted an invitation to perform at the 2011 LIFE Awards on Saturday evening 10th September at the beautiful Dome, 333 Collins St in the city. Details are over the page on the calendar.

This performance is for all main choir members. I realise that this is not much notice, so can you **please confirm your availability or send an apology as soon as you have checked your diaries**, so that I can plan the appropriate repertoire and logistics. (No later than 2nd September please).

Training Choirs Concert - early next term

Our concert featuring all members of our Training Choirs will be on Sunday the 16th of October. Tickets are \$10 and \$5 and can be booked at choir, or purchased at the door. Please allow plenty of time to find the venue if you haven't been there before, and make sure singers are there to start rehearsal at 2pm.

Arrival: 2.00pm (3.00pm Concert. Duration 1 hour)

Wear: Performance Uniform

Where: St John's Southgate. 20 City Road. (Best accessed by public transport.)

We need some help with the concert on the day. Please phone Barbara on 95961244 if you are able to assist.

Samoa Tour - Not Long Now!

Not long now till we head to Samoa to share our music in this pacific island paradise!

We will be distributing last minute itinerary details and a packing list closer to our departure, but in the mean time please note:

- We would like to collect passports please on Thursday 8th September (or sooner)
- Uniform items you will need will include: black thongs (as advised), black short-sleeved YVM shirt, red YVM polo shirt and Samoa Tour shirt (which are being made and will be distributed when they are ready.) Make sure you have a black T-shirt and red polo in good condition.
- We are having special lavalavas and shirts for the boys made in Samoa and we will collect them there.
- Don't forget to have a good read of the Pre-tour Information already distributed, and let us know if you have any questions.

Thursday Rehearsals 8th, 15th and 22nd September

These rehearsals will be for Samoa Touring Choir members only and will be from 6.15 - 8.15 (with no small group afterwards)

September 2011 Calendar

CHOIR = main choir members
 SMALL GROUP = small group of
 main choir members (to be advised)



BTC = Beginning Training Choir
 JTC = Junior Training Choir
 STC = Senior Training Choir

PLEASE NOTE: All choir members are expected to attend all choir concerts. However, if it is impossible for you to attend please make a written apology, at least one month prior to the concert. This is essential for our concert planning, as missing persons may necessitate us changing the repertoire for concerts, arranging replacement singers etc.

Tuesday 30th August	Main Choir full rehearsal 6 - 8pm	
Thursday 1st September	Main Choir rehearsal cancelled (changed to Tuesday 30th August)	
Thursday 8th September	Rehearsal for Samoa Touring Choir only (6.15 - 8.15) Bring passports tonight.	
NEW DATE		
Saturday 10th September	Main Choir Performance at the 2011 LIFE Awards This is for all main choir people (not just touring choir) Where: The Dome, 333 Collins St Melbourne (between Elizabeth and Queen Streets) When: Arrival 7.30pm. Finished 9.00pm Wear: long sleeved black performance uniform What: Performance at the 2011 LIFE Awards for Suicide Prevention Australia	
Thursday 15th September	Rehearsal for Samoa Touring Choir only (6.15 - 8.15)	
Thursday 22nd September	Rehearsal for Samoa Touring Choir only (6.15 - 8.15)	
Friday 23rd September	End Term 3	
24th September - 3rd October	Samoa Tour Departure from Melbourne: 10.30am Saturday 24th September Return to Melbourne: 2.45pm on Monday 3rd October	CHOIR
Monday 10th October	Start Term 4	
Sunday 16th October	Training Choirs Concert (St John's Southgate) 3.00pm Concert (for one hour) Arrival: 2.00pm (finished 4.00pm) Wear: Performance Uniform Where: St John's Southgate. 20 City Road. Best accessed by public transport. St John's is behind the Southgate shops. Tickets \$10 adults and \$5 children.	BTC, JTC, STC
Tuesday 18th October	Performance for International Forum for Child Welfare Melbourne Town Hall, evening.	CHOIR
Sunday 23rd October	Thursday small group performance at St Michael's Church (city)	
Monday 31st October	pre Cup Day holiday (no rehearsals)	
Tuesday 1st November	Cup Day Holiday	
Sunday 4th December	YVM Christmas Celebration 7pm (Iwaki Auditorium)	EVERYONE