Dunedin RSA Choir





A NEWSLETTER FOR CHOIR MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS

Our website: www.dunedinrsachoir.co.nz

Upcoming Events:

- 1. **Armistice Day Civil Remembrance Service** at Queens Garden, Friday 11th November 11am. Choir members will take part in the Service.
- 2. Armistice Day Concert on Friday 11th November, 7pm The Armed Man A Mass for Peace by Karl Jenkins.
- 3. **Neptune Memorial Service** at HMNZS Toroa, St Andrew Street, on Saturday 17th December. Choir members will be attending the service.
- 4. Christmas Party for Choir Members Venue to be announced.
- 5. Anzac Revue on ANZAC Day, Tuesday 25th April 2023 More details to follow.

News Items:

- 1. **Summertime Concert:** The choir held its Summertime Concert in the St. Patrick's Basilica. For more info refer to Page 2.
- 2. **Passchendaele Memorial Service:** The choir sang for Anderson Lloyd's Passchendaele Memorial Service at the Dunedin Railway Station. Refer to Page 3.
- 3. 25 Year Attendance Badge Presentation: Recipients David More and Noel Graham. Refer to Page 3.



Chairman's Message

It's been another year of positive change for the choir. We've managed a full year of weekly practices and held a good number of public concerts and public events. We've used a shorter 'no interval' concert format and continued to use St Patrick's Church in South Dunedin being comfortable, warm with an excellent acoustic. In short, we are adapting to the way things are 'living with Covid' and doing what choirs should do... sing and enjoy ourselves! As we look ahead to 2023, we will be restarting our Subscribers List as we now have confidence in being able to offer a range of events that make it attractive for Subscribers. More details to follow on what the choir will be doing next year. One thing is certain. We will be remembering on ANZAC Day, so mark it on your 2023 calendar!

If we do not already have your email address, please email it to us so we can keep in touch.

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Hope to see you and friends at The Armed Man on Friday 11th November.

Armistice Day Concert, Friday 11th November 2022, 7 pm

The Armed Man-Mass for Peace

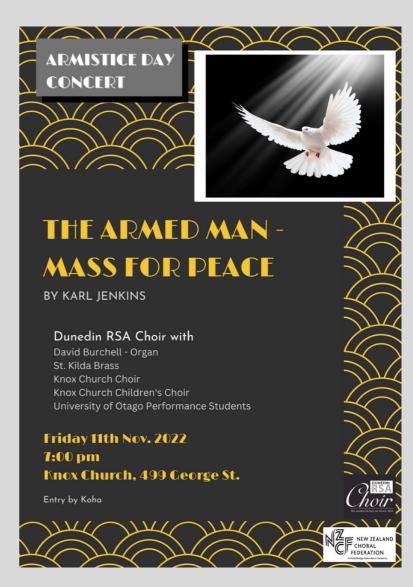
The choir will present Karl Jenkin's "The Armed Man - Mass for Peace" in the Knox Church with David Burchell on the Organ, members of the St. Kilda Brass Band, the Knox Church Choir, the Knox Church Children's Choir and University of Otago Performance Students.

This will be one of the few times you can listen to this outstanding piece of music in our city, and you can hear it in the very fitting surrounding of Knox Church.

For the choir this is also a very special occasion, being able to present a whole Mass with the support of so many other Dunedin performers.

"We're looking forward to seeing you all at our Concert in the Knox Church

There is no ticket sale. Entry will be by koha. We are relying on your generosity to cover the relatively high cost of running this event!



Springtime Concert Friday 16th September 2022

At St Patrick's Basilica, Macandrew Rd, South Dunedin





Karen Knudson conducted the choir, Mark Wigglesworth accompanied on the piano and Peter Bodeker, one of our choir members, was the concert's compere. Sarah Hubbard, the Dunedin soprano, who was one of the five finalists in this year's Lexus Song Quest sang three items for us and also sang solo parts in some of the choir's songs. Her strong, beautiful voice filled the whole church. What a performance! Samuel Lee, our other guest artist, rounded off the performances by playing a Bach Sonata on his violin and also accompanied parts of the songs the choir sang.

For the full report with photos refer to our webpage:

https://www.dunedinrsachoir.co.nz/concerts-functions

The choir itself was in good voice. A powerful rendition of Arise O Sun started the concert followed by several well-known songs. In honour of the new Commonwealth Head, King Charles, the choir ended with God save the King and then gave an encore by singing the arousing Gwahoddiad.



Anderson Lloyd's Passchendaele Memorial Service

12th October 2022

The choir sang for Anderson Lloyd, Dunedin lawyers, Memorial Service, in tribute to one of their founding partners, Peter Anderson - in the Dunedin Railway Station.



A stained glass window at the Railway station.

Anderson Lloyd, Dunedin lawyers, are a great sponsor of our choir and we are very pleased to be able to support their yearly Memorial Service at the Dunedin Railway Station.

Neil Grant wrote a great report based on Frazer Barton's Speech. The report and associated pictures can be viewed on our website under Concerts and Functions:

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Choir members and Mark, our pianist, getting ready.

25 Year Attendance Badge Presentation - September 2022 to David More and Noel Graham.

Our two members, David More and Noel Graham reach the milestone of having sung with the choir for 25 years. For David it is actually already 28 years. He joined in 1994. Due to the Covid situation the presentation of the badges had to wait until now.

We thank and congratulate both members for their long and loyal service!





Chairman Kevin presenting the badges to David and Noel.

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