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Royal School of Church Music, WA Branch

Dear friends,

This edition of WestNews gives the details of the programme of events for next year, including our Annual General Meeting in February. The Committee has done an outstanding job of putting together a programme to cater for a wide variety of interests amongst church musicians, and I ask our membership to note dates now, so that the work which goes into planning and preparing our events can be rewarded with good turn-outs.

It has been a very sad year for our Branch, and I am sure that 2019 will bring rather more joy. My best wishes to all our members as you approach a busy time of year, and I look forward to seeing you—hopefully after some time for refreshment—at the AGM, which will be the first for some decades (my best guess is 1981) that will not include a report from the National Summer School.

John Beaverstock,
Branch Chairman.



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WEBSITE The website of RSCM Australia is www.rscmaustralia.org.au. This website includes WA Branch events, as well as details of the interstate branches. Please send details of items for inclusion on the website to the W.A. Secretary at ken@taylor.org.au

FACEBOOK The RSCM Australia Facebook page is www.facebook.com/RSCMAustralia



DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 2019



We wish you all a happy Christmas, hopefully not overburdened with playing/singing for too many extra services at your Church!

Our Annual General Meeting (mentioned several times in this Newsletter) is on February 9th. There are vacancies to be filled, so please give this matter your prayerful thought, in order that the work of the RSCM in Western Australia may be continued.

Moya and Sheila

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 9th FEBRUARY. 2019

The Annual General Meeting is to be held in the Ross Memorial Church,
cnr. Hay and Colin Streets, West Perth,
at 11.00am.

The meeting will be preceded by an Organ Recital at 10.30am.

*Arrangements are being made for members to have lunch at Miss Maud's Restaurant,
1297 Hay Street following the meeting.*

***Please notify the Secretary by returning the cut-off slip to P.O. Box 1313, West Leederville,
6901, or by e-mail, if you wish to attend.***

JANE BEAVERSTOCK MUSICAL QUIZ NIGHT

9th March, 2019

Venue to be advised.

The Quiz Night is in memory of Jane, and to raise funds for the 2019 Choir Camp to be held in Geraldton.

Quiz Master: Tony Howes

Tables of 8: \$20 p.p. or \$150 for table of 8. BYO Drink and nibbles

Silent auction, spot prizes, major prize.

Questions will range from the very easy to challenging.

Support the RSCM, the Choir Camp, and have a good time, all at one event.

Bookings through TryBooking, or by contacting Steven Secker (043 005 2502)

Steven Secker.

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO ATTEND LUNCHEON at MISS MAUD'S
FOLLOWING AGM**

I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE LUNCHEON ON 9th FEBRUARY. (Cost to be advised)

NUMBER OF PERSONS

MEMBER

HYMN FESTIVAL AT WILLETTON UNITING CHURCH

27th October, 2018

21 people gathered together to celebrate the 90th birthday—better late than never, as he's actually 92 just after Christmas this year—of Bishop Timothy Dudley-Smith, by singing a selection of his hymns. Revd. Stuart Good ably introduced each of the hymns, selected from a large range, written over more than four decades, many of which are familiar to a lot of people without realising who wrote them. The introductions were informative, but not heavy, and had some light-hearted moments too. Providing the accompaniment was our ever active Chairman, John Beaverstock.

We started with Bishop Dudley-Smith's very first hymn, Tell Out My Soul, one which was well received from the time he wrote it, and inspired him to write many more.

We progressed through different seasons, different occasions for singing hymns, and different moods set by words and music. How we did that in only eight hymns is testament to the well-researched and balanced introductions.

It is a pity that more were not present to imbibe in the occasion. When we next hold such an event, I suggest that we all mark the date in our diaries as soon as that date has been set, so we don't miss another opportunity.

Steven Secker

A Preliminary Calendar of Events for 2019 as proposed by your committee, is printed in this WestNews, so that you can mark your Diaries as suggested by Steven. The Festival of Great Hymns in November will be once such occasion.

Editor.

SydneyinSpires

6—14th July, 2019

An Australasian International Festival of Sacred Music, featuring:

David Hill, Noel Tredinnick, Stephen Cleobury, Thomas Ospital,
Roger Sayer, Rev'd Helen Bent,

The Festival Choir with the National Youth Choir of Australia (NYCA)

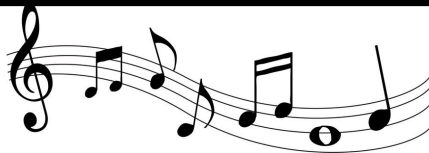
The Gospel Orchestra of Sydney

An inspiring programme of activities throughout the week.

REGISTRATIONS OPEN SOON!

Watch for further details

www.rscmaustralia.org.au



The church of St. John's in Fremantle is in the exciting position of offering up to four scholarship positions to brilliant vocal students.

If you're interested in joining the choir as a senior scholar (paid position, SATB section leaders required) get in touch on admin@fremantle.perth.anglican.org or call the church office on [9335.2213](tel:9335.2213) to arrange an audition.

The Rev'd Patrick King
Rector

UNITING CHURCH IN THE CITY

CHRISTMAS AT WESLEY



'Wesley at One' recital Friday 21st December 1pm

'A Christmas Gift of music & poems'

Angela Currie (organ), Lynn Coates (narrator)

Sunday 23rd December. 10.am

A Celebration of Nine Lessons & Carols with music from the Wesley Choir, Lucinda Nicholls (soprano), Boyd Peters (organ) Music directed by Angela Currie.

Christmas Eve, Monday 24th December, 11.15pm

Christmas Eve service with Wesley Brass and Angela Currie (organ)

Beautiful Christmas music from the musicians as you arrive from 11 pm

Christmas Day, 25th December, 10am.

A Christmas Celebration with music from the Wesley choir, organ and brass.



'Wesley at One' will return on Friday, 1st March, 2019

Angela Currie (organ)

ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Sunday, 16th December 2.00pm *Children's Christmas Service*

7.30pm *A Festival of Lessons and Carols*

Sunday, 23rd December, 7.30pm *A Festival of Lessons and Carols*

Christmas Eve, Monday 24th December 7.30pm *A Festival of Lessons and Carols*

11.30pm *Midnight Mass: The First Eucharist of Christmas*

Music: Little Organ Mass (Haydn), Silent Night (Joyce) and Lully Lulla (Leighton)

Christmas Day, Tuesday, 25th December 8.00am *Holy Eucharist with Carols.*

10.00am *Choral Eucharist with Carols.*

Music: Service in F. (Darke) Ding Dong Merrily on High (Willcocks) (No 5pm Evensong)

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Christmas Eve, Monday, 24th December 10.30pm *Lessons and Carols*

A decades-old tradition of the Cathedral Choir leading the gathered faithful through a showcase of carols and Christmas Music interspersed with a series of scriptural readings. This year, the choir is to sing excerpts of Benjamin Britten's *'A Ceremony of Carols'*, accompanied by harp.

Midnight Mass. 12 Midnight

A celebration to acclaim the newborn King! Features Cathedral Choir, soloists, pipe organs and small chamber orchestra. Repertoire includes Mozart's *'Mass in C Major'*, K258 and culminating in Handel's glittering *'Hallelujah Chorus'* followed by Widor's *'Toccata'* from his *'Symphony No.5'*

Christmas Day, Tuesday, 25th December 8.00am Mass

The Cathedral Choir and the grand organ lead the singing with carols, George Palmer's *'Missa Benedictus Qui Venit'* (World Youth Day Mass 2008) and the *'Hallelujah Chorus.'*



MORE RIBBON RECIPIENTS AT ST. MARY'S !!

On Sunday, 2nd December, we were delighted to award some more ribbons to some more hard-working choristers. 2 Dark Blue, 1 Red, and 3 Yellow, as part of the Voice for Life training programme. Three choristers have been working towards these ribbon programmes throughout the year.

It is particularly gratifying to see our young choristers work hard in their respective ribbons—although we cover many musicianship skills in our choir rehearsals, these ribbon courses really do give each of them much depth as musicians—as well as providing them with a great challenge!!

Well done guys!!

Jacinta Jakovcevic, Director of Music.



RSCM W.A. BRANCH - PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2019

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>JANUARY</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>FEBRUARY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 9th 11.00am Ross Memorial Church Hay Street, West Perth Preceded by Organ Recital 10.30am</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MARCH</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">JANE BEAVERSTOCK QUIZ NIGHT 9th</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>APRIL</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">14th/15th ANCA CHORALFEST EASTER Stainer's <i>Crucifixion</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MAY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">GOSPEL WORKSHOP 12th St. Barnabas Anglican Church Leederville</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25th PARISH MUSICIANS MEET UP at St. Mary's Cathedral</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>JUNE</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">FUNDRAISING CONCERT For Choir Camp 9th 2.00pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Michael's Anglican Church, Gunbower Street, Mt. Pleasant</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$15-</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>JULY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHOIR CAMP 9th – 14th Geraldton</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RSCM NATIONAL WINTER SCHOOL SYDNEY 6th – 14th</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>AUGUST</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHORAL FESTIVAL 4th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Venue TBC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SEPTEMBER</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DINNER WITH SPEAKER 7th Speaker and venue TBC</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>OCTOBER</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOW TO PLAY HYMNS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">20th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Patrick's Anglican Church, Mt. Lawley</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOVEMBER</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">FESTIVAL OF GREAT HYMNS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">17th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Patrick's Anglican Church, Mt. Lawley</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>DECEMBER</u></p>

Times and venues of some of events to be confirmed.

