

## Team Leader Tells .....

**Open Night** What a great Open night. I thought we all worked together to show what Sounds of Hawkes Bay is all about. It was also great to have nine people interested in braving the night to join us and Lesley informs me that most will be back.

I want to extend a thanks to the Management team and Eileen for the food, for Lynne's warmups and Lana's vocals and Sarah and Lynne's speeches that were so warm and informative. Also to Hot Property and Margot's directing, the nuns that came down from the local church, Leading Edge for taking a turn and all those members who welcomed and took down the risers and performed. The goody bags looked great Michelle and Mary! An event like this is so much easier when we all do a bit. The kitchen ran like clockwork. Thanks girls. It was a little disappointing to only have 20 members there. I understand that the Bay has been hit by coughs and colds and the weather certainly makes us feel like hibernating but for the next four weeks, we would appreciate you making an effort to support our prospective members.

Next week our visitors will do warm ups and vocals and then head off to learn from Lesley. Roll on the holidays. I should be a lot more relaxed when you see me next week.

In harmony

**Cheryll**

## Lana's Lines:

Our Open Night on Monday went well. Many thanks to all who were involved in the planning and running of the night to ensure that all went smoothly and that we gave our visitors a real insight as to what we are all about. It really was a perfect example of Team work at its best. Special thanks to Lynne and Sarah for speaking to our visitors. I know you were well received and your words gave our guests a broader prospective of Chorus life and how it can be balanced with our every day commitments.

It was nice to see the visitors actively participating in the night's activities. We now look forward to welcoming our guests back to continue their Barbershop journey with SHB chorus.

Your Music Team have 4 weeks of Vocal Lessons and Barbershop Craft planned that will give an introduction to this wonderful art form and hopefully have our visitors wanting more! We have been careful not to overwhelm them with too much too soon in our planning and I appreciate your continued support and welcoming of our guests when they join us on the risers over the coming weeks.

Next week's programme will look like this:

7.15 pm: Physicals

7.30 pm: Vocals

7.35 pm: Guests to go to AV Suite with Lana and Lesley for voice placement assessment followed by Week 1 Vocal Lesson.

7.35 - 7.45 pm: On My Own with Margot

7.45 - 8.00 pm: Ring Christmas Bells with Shirley

8.00 - 8.30 pm: Review programme for Summerset Singout with Shirley / full chorus

8.30 - 8.50 pm: Irish Blessing with Lana

8.50 - 9.05 pm: Notices and break

9.05 - 9.25 pm: HHM with Lana

9.25 - 9.45 pm: Summerset programme review continues.

See you next week and I hope those of you who are suffering from the winter bugs are feeling better each day.

**Lana x**

Membership team reports the following visitors attended our open night  
Michelle Rochester, Kate Stone, Donna Scandlyn, Katie Barnby, Gillian Randell, Beth MacKenzie, Penny Gibson, Natalie Batt, Sharon Elsworth, and Jean Beaumont.

## Diary Notes

10th July - Chorus. New members voice placement.  
12th July - Management Team meeting.

17th July - Chorus +Vocal lessons

24th July -Chorus +Vocal lessons

30 July Summerset Singout

31st July - +Chorus +Supper

5th & 6th August Coaching with Toni Griffin

7, 14, 21, 28 - August - Chorus nights Supper 28th

4 - 5 Nov - Darlene Rogers, Coaching

6th December H N Sing out.

## 2018

Art Deco Celebrations 14 to 18 Feb

23 - 25 Feb - Lynn Smith

2 - 5 March - Retreat

**6 - 8 April - Virge Coaching**

30 April Virginia Humphrey Taylor

**Contest Wgtn 3, 4, 5, May**

## DUTIES 2017

July - Basses

August - Leads

Sept. Tenors Baris

## BIRTHDAYS

July 21<sup>st</sup> Susan Smith

**NOTE CHANGES** to previously published details for "SUMMERSET IN THE BAY" Singout.

Please note the dates for the practice (**Next Monday 10th at 6.45**) and Audition night (**following Monday 17th at 6.45**)

Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> we have a group to sing out @ Summerset in the Bay - Church Rd Napier. The time is 1.30 – 2.30pm and we will sing Chorus songs and provide song sheets for a 'singalong' as well. At last night's Music team meeting we realised we need more singers for this group. We also discussed the fact that we could get more singers with a change of possible songs to sing. So we have altered the song list to accommodate more people. The possible song list would now be:

**Abba. Rock n' Roll song. Orange coloured Sky. Ain't we got fun. Hooked on a feeling.**  
**Family. Irish Blessing Happy Birthday. Stray cat. Goodnight Sweetheart**

We will be practicing these songs for the next few Monday rehearsals while prospective new members have their vocal lessons. During this time you will have the opportunity to Riser record your songs. **This is a chance to Pass some of the old songs** that you may have missed at the time. This is an informal sing where if you are not sure of a song you may simply step aside. Please consider joining us and let Shirley know if you can. Those available so far -

**Tenors:** Cherie Sally

**Basses:** Cherie Shirley Linda Celia Margot

**Leads:** Kasey Anne Nancy J Nancy H **We need more** please!

**Bari:** Lynne Penny Mary

Now looking forward to lots of new volunteers **Shirley**

### Keep these fund raising efforts on your planner

1. **Garage sale in September at Margot's. Start saving/collecting suitable items.**
2. **Bonus Ball Lotto has begun again with the Baris kicking it off. \$2.00 for a number and the prize is \$30.00 when the 40 numbers are sold.**
3. **For supper and sales nights please bring suitable items and if these are not sold please take them home again.**

**COSTUME DETAILS Kasey urgently needs all the info. re your costumes. If you haven't yet done so please make this a priority.** She needs to get all of the costume records done BEFORE 24th July because she will then be flat out busy until the end of the year and will not have time to do it.

**CONVENTION 2018 - arrive Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> – depart Sunday 6th MAY 2018** for your future planning.

I believe everyone will be finding their own way to and from Wellington for Convention next year. You can fly, carpool, bus, hire a car/mini bus etc. **Airfares for May are available NOW** for those who prefer to fly!!!

Accommodation has been booked at the **West Plaza Hotel** in Wakefield Street - right across from the *Michael Fowler Centre* where both the Quartet and Chorus Competitions will be held. The price of this accommodation is \$185 per twin room per night and includes a full breakfast for each of the three days - so this equates to \$277.50 per person for the three nights. A room at the hotel has also been booked for the Saturday for hair/makeup etc. (No doubt your fundraising efforts and any successful grant applications will assist with the cost of accommodation, registration fees etc, but that of course will be a Management Team decision.)

As in previous years, there should be an opportunity to take part in the Sound Check on the Thursday afternoon. However, the time etc will not be available until registration details come to hand later in the year. The Regional Management Team has also indicated that the Mass Sing will be held on the Friday evening. I intend meeting with the Group Booking Co-ordinator at the West Plaza Hotel while I'm in Wellington.

xxNancyJ

**HAVELOCK NORTH COMMUNITY SING** - December 6<sup>th</sup> - a Christmas singout. We anticipate plenty of support which we will gather closer to the time. Anticipated audience of 150 people. **MARK IT IN YOUR CALENDAR please.**

**Leave of Absence** - Audrene Samuel - June 2018 Leanne Gordon 15 Aug Teresa Leathley - Dec 2017  
Margaret Church - August 2017 Jacqui Robb 17 July - 21 August

**From Sue** - After calling out about my umbrella at chorus.I went to hang my coat up at home to find the small folded umbrella was caught in the inside pocket.

Thanks to all who looked for me. **Sue**

**Membership - could you please supply m with an up to date Birthday list? Evelyn**

**CHORUS BANK ACCOUNT:** Westpac 03 0631 0402401 00 – Remember to include details

