



## Southern Area Concert Band

# NewsBeat

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***It has been a very busy start to the year with rehearsals for the National Band Championships being held over Easter at Sebel Albert Park and Citigate Conference and Hotel.***

***SACB will be competing on Sunday 8th April (Easter Sunday) at 2pm.***

### **Important Dates:**

***Saturday,  
March 10, 11am***  
Southern Stars Stage  
Band  
*Inverloch Jazz  
Festival*

***Sunday,  
8th April, 2pm***  
National  
Championships  
*Sebel Albert Park  
and Citigate  
Conference and  
Hotel*

***Sunday,  
May 27, 2pm***  
SACB's annual May  
concert.  
*Shirley Burke  
Theatre.*

***Sunday,  
August 5, 2pm***  
Kingston's Annual  
Massed Band  
Concert.  
SACB, Moorabbin  
Brass,  
MoJO and Chelsea  
Concert Band  
*Kingston City Hall,  
Moorabbin*

### **A message from our President:**

The new year has begun. Our band is now in its 4<sup>th</sup> week of rehearsal and is gearing up for the Australian National Championships to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of April at Albert Park (Prices are Daily: \$10|All weekend: \$25|Kids <13 free). This weekend (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> March) our members are participating in a Band camp at the Ferngully Lodge in Healesville to practice the music that we will be contesting. We will pack over 9 hours of rehearsal into the weekend to help improve our timing, intonation, dynamics and technique. There will be some free time squeezed in to give our members a chance to bond, sightsee and enjoy each others company.

During 2012 we are putting on many other performances which will include our Stage Band, Events Band, Training Band and Main Concert band. Please visit our website ([www.sacb.com.au](http://www.sacb.com.au)) for further details.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of May we are putting on our annual performance at the Shirley Burke Hall at 64 Parkdale Road in Parkdale. It has just recently been renovated by the City of Kingston and seats 180 people. We hope to make this our "home base" for all future May and October Concerts.

Please join us in May this year to not only celebrate the new renovated venue but also to enjoy a variety of music entertainment. We have also invited guest singers:- Tenor, Adrian Glaubert and Soprano, Kate Amos to join us in what will be a memorable event.

The SACB would like to thank all of you who have been a part of our audiences over the years and hope that they you will continue to come along and bring your friends and relatives with you.

Last year we celebrated a very successful 40th anniversary. We are very lucky to have a great team of dedicated players and a strong and enthusiastic administration.

May 2012 be a great and prosperous year for all of us.

Peter White

### **Welcome to our new members:**

*Concert Band* - Malcolm Bell, Angelique Lele, Jordan Oviss, Abigail Paterson and Jessica Paterson

*Training Band* - Julian Annand, Ron Fyfe. Charlotte Liu and Liam McKinnon.

A big thank you to Jenny Davies (French Horn), Julie Holmes (Bassoon) and Adele Di Bari (Piano) who have come along specifically to help out for the nationals, along with semi-regular helpers Jonty Smith (Trombone) and Keith Perry (Euphonium).

## What the bands have been doing:

I think there was a huge sigh of relief from band members at about 10pm Christmas Eve, as the Christmas madness (as far as band is concerned) was finally over. In 18 days, between all of our bands, we managed to perform at 6 sets of carols plus a Bunnings barbecue, where two small groups performed in store on the day. How did any of us ever get ready for Christmas?!



Giant screens made some good viewing at Dendy Carols, Brighton

Stage Band performing at Victoria Golf Club



As exhausting as all that performing can be, it is a lovely way to start off the festive season. Thanks to all the members, from all the different ensembles, that gave up their time to help spread some Christmas joy.

Since December, there have been some changes to our conductor positions. Unfortunately, Trevor Cartwright (Training Band Co-Conductor) resigned from his position – we wish him well with his future endeavours and thank Trevor for his time and effort over the last 2 years. We were very lucky that Jenny Corcoran was able to step up to being full-time Conductor for the Training Band. We then advertised for an assistant to Jenny and we are now pleased to announce that Fiona McKellar has been appointed as Assistant along with Evgeny Chebykin as Assistant in both Training and Concert Bands. We welcome Fiona and Evgeny to their new positions and wish all of our conductors luck this year.

Our Stage Band (Southern Stars) has already had two performances this year. Firstly at Dizzy's Jazz Club, which is always a fantastic night and then at the amazing Big Band Sunset Festival in Mordialloc. It really was a great way to kick off the new year.

Now we have band camp coming up in preparation for the National's. The National Championships themselves in April and also our Annual General Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> April. Our annual May concert on the 27<sup>th</sup> with wonderful Kate Amos and Adrian Glaubert (who you would have seen performing with us at the Dendy Carols).

We are looking forward to what promises to be another great year for the SACB family.



For all your instrumental needs, please visit our friends at Brass and Woodwind - 572 North Rd, Ormond.

[www.brasswoodwind.com.au](http://www.brasswoodwind.com.au)

**Details** of all our upcoming performances (and past ones) are on our website [www.sacb.com.au](http://www.sacb.com.au). There are pictures and even a few sound clips also for you to enjoy from past concerts.

### ***Rehearsal Details:***

#### **Southern Area Concert Band:**

Monday nights from 7.15pm – 9.30pm

#### **Southern Area Training Band**

Monday nights from 5.45pm – 7pm

#### **Rehearsal Venue:**

NG Wishart Senior Citizens Club  
964 Nepean Highway & cnr Exley Dve  
Moorabbin (Opposite Spotlight)  
Melways Ref: 77 D6

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We are always trying to recruit new members. *If you or anyone you know are interested in joining one of our bands please contact either Darryn or Peter on the numbers above or if you prefer, just come along to one of our rehearsals and have a play.*