

**Notes from the Nelson Civic Choir Committee Meeting
8 June 2021**

Present: Elizabeth, chair; Jill, Jan, Todd and Kay, minutes

- Outstanding recording of the Coronation Mass recorded and produced by Bob Bickerton. Todd will get them put on the website and eventually onto a new NelsonCivicChoirnz Youtube site.
- Monthly returns: \$34,467 sales and income. \$3,383.27 gst.
- Applications for grants to cover expenses for the Choral Peace concerts well underway by Lucy and Jill.
- Jason has presented a programme for the Choral Peace concert: 4 pieces from Jenkin's Peacemakers, plus works by Parry, Rutter, Crocker, Williams, Goodall, and Lovland.
- Currently 93 members listed to sing. However, some are to date unsure or unable to sing.
- Committee agreed not to pay for and place costly advertising in the local newspaper as tickets went so well last concert by the time the adverts were placed, most tickets had sold. However, Committee will endeavour to get features placed close to the concert. There will be hand outs and posters, billboards and Phantom Billstickers (as an experiment).
- Suzie has presented some beautiful designs which was accepted by Committee.
- Todd has inserted learning aides for the 4 x Peacemaker items and will add others as appropriate.
- A successful evening was held at NCMA where scores were distributed and members had the opportunity to watch the MMMM photos and video.
- Anton Bengley has agreed to act the part of narrator at the Choral Peace concert.
- One Mozart Coronation Mass score is still missing. It is hoped it will turn up when members return to rehearsals.
- And and Jill have updated the info for new members papers, and they will be distributed to all members new to choir this year.
- The Committee continues to work on ways of encouraging community sponsorship for the choir.
- Committee discussed the inclusion of something in te reo at future concerts.
- Jason is exploring the possibility of presenting an opera extravaganza in May 2024.
- Jason and Elizabeth are discussing the possibility of training a choir of members who can be ready to sing at public events. Jason is happy to stay behind after choir rehearsal to teach extra music, probably in just 2 parts.