



Lane Cove Youth Orchestra

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2015 AGM

AND SUMMARY OF MAJOR EVENTS IN 2014-2015

Following is a summary of major events commencing with last year's AGM.

16th June 2014 - AGM

An annual general meeting of the Lane Cove Youth Orchestra Inc. was held at Lane Cove Public School, Lane Cove, NSW. The following committee members were elected at this meeting or at a subsequent ordinary meeting held 30 June 2014:

Lyndall McNally	President
Heather Golby	Secretary
Anna Birch	Assistant Secretary
Svetlana Belchenko	Treasurer
Caryn Low	Assistant Treasurer
Geoff Moxon	
Anita Jain Saylan	
Harry Bouchier	
Juliana Ellis	

TERM THREE 2014

Sunday 14th September. REFLECTIONS - our 2014 Cameraygal Festival event. With assistance from generous sponsor Westbourne Constructions, we held this concert in the beautiful Music Workshop Space at Sydney Conservatorium. We were most grateful to the Saya family whose *Danatys Tour Bus* service provided bus transport to all players from Lane Cove to the city.

Our programme:

LCYO with Chief Conductor and Artistic Director, Mark Brown, launched the programme with the gorgeous but challenging ***Magic Flute Overture*** by Mozart followed by Smetana's ***The Moldau***.

Next LCYO proudly introduced their new VIVA Energy Australia Conducting Scholar, Carlo Antonioli, who led the group effortlessly and with great style in Beethoven's ***Symphony No 1*** (1st movement) and Ralph Ford's ***Galileo's Vision***.

The CHS String Ensemble, under the skilful baton of Syliva Marson, gave beautiful renditions of two well-known and much loved pieces - Prelude to the ***Holberg Suite*** by Edvard Grieg and ***Brandenburg Concerto*** No. 3 (1st movement) by J.S. Bach

Next we proudly presented three Australian works:

Homage to Zelda. The world premiere of a stunning piece by young local composer Jack Frerer.

Orinthologia (1st movement) for solo trumpet by Alan Holley, performed by Gilbert East – a virtuosic and intriguing piece influenced by the composer's love of Australian birds.

Fabian Theory - Solo for marimba and digital delay by Nigel Westlake, performed by Oliver Brighton – another fascinating piece combining electronics with masterful mallet work.

We rounded off the event with a massive pirate attack as LCYO and CHS Strings played the ever popular ***Pirates of the Caribbean*** by Klaus Badelt.

TERM FOUR 2014

Friday 14th November 2014. We performed for Kaleidoscope in Lane Cove Plaza. We presented a fabulous programme of robust classical favourites from around the world. The concert sizzled for more reasons than one - firstly our performance was fiery and confident but secondly the temperature that day reached a staggering 38 Celsius.

Programme -Kaleidoscope

<i>Capriccio Espagnol</i>	<i>Rimsky-Korsakov/Meyer</i>
<i>The Moldau</i>	<i>Smetana/Meyer</i>
<i>Farandole (L'Arlésienne Suite No 2)</i>	<i>Bizet/Isaac</i>
<i>Carillon (L'Arlésienne Suite No 1)</i>	<i>Bizet/Stone</i>
<i>Procession of the Sardar</i>	<i>Ippolitov-Ivanov/Isaac</i>
<i>Bacchanale (Samson & Delilah)</i>	<i>Saint-Saëns/Isaac</i>
<i>Russian Sailor's Dance (The Red Poppy)</i>	<i>Glière/Isaac</i>
<i>Pirates of the Caribbean</i>	<i>Badelt/Ricketts</i>

Monday 15th December 2014. We were privileged to be able to hold our **Christmas Party** in the Lane Cove Aquatic Leisure Centre, refreshed by its recent refurbishments. We prepared our BBQ on the new terrace overlooking the outdoor pool. As always we had a terrific time with heaps of food, great company and hours of swimming. Thanks to all members and families who came along. Special thanks to parents who helped with the food and BBQ and to Andrew Hungerford of **Bluefit**, the pool managers.

On Thursday 18th December 2014, we were again delighted to be invited to present a short program of festive themes and Christmas carols for the residents of **Waterbrook Greenwich**. Huge thanks to Waterbrook for their support during the year and for the great Christmas gifts - I'm sure the gingerbread houses added to the festive decor in your homes, unless they didn't make it there in one piece!

Programme -Christmas

<i>Three Noels</i>	<i>Clare Grundman</i>
<i>A Vaughan Williams Christmas</i>	<i>Ralph Vaughan Williams</i>
<i>Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer</i>	<i>Marks/Bullock</i>
<i>Winter Wonderland</i>	<i>Bernard/Lavender/Curnow</i>
<i>A Christmas Festival</i>	<i>Anderson</i>
<i>Sleigh Ride</i>	<i>Anderson</i>

Now for our achievements thus far in 2015:

TERM ONE 2015

Monday 30th March 2015 - THE BALD & THE MUSICAL

This unusual event was a fund-raiser for the Saya family who has a child suffering from leukaemia. Our conductor Mark Brown kindly agreed to have his head shaved at the hands of Deputy Mayor (and former hair dresser) Clr Deborah Hutchens. Cr Hutchens was the 'barber' while the orchestra played Rossini's The Barber of Seville.

The event took the form of a casual open rehearsal. We were also fortunate to have a guest group join us - the Gladesville Public School String Ensemble with director Myee Clohessy. Not only did this lovely ensemble play beautifully they were also impeccably well behaved and so much fun to be with.

Lindsay May from the Lane Cove Rotary Club kindly agreed to be our MC and did a great job stirring up fun and enthusiasm.

We managed to raise over \$3,000.

LCYO - some works in Progress:

<i>Symphony No 2 in D Major, Finale</i>	<i>Ludwig van Beethoven</i>
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Peace, from Sons of the ANZACS
Symphony No 2 in C, Finale
Sibelius Second Symphony, Fourth Mvt
The Barber of Seville
Dance of the Tumblers
(played jointly with GPS)

George Dreyfus
Tchaikovsky/Dackow
Sibelius/Leidig
Rossini/Meyer
Rimsky-Korsakoff/Dackow

Gladesville Public School String Ensemble

Waltzing Matilda

Arr. Camillo Manricks

TERM TWO 2015

23-24 May – Sleepover and Workshop. As usual we have a number of objectives for our workshops - to provide intensive musical tuition in preparation for the upcoming **Sydney Eisteddfod**, to provide an opportunity to broaden our players' experiences of Australian history and culture and of course to have an amazingly good time!

This year we returned to the **Cockatoo Island** camp site - see our [Facebook](#) page for photos. We hunted for treasure, learnt how to erect tents, explored old buildings and structures, learnt some history, ate heaps of food and surprisingly still had plenty of time for rehearsals to help prepare us for the upcoming Sydney Eisteddfod.

All campers players behaved beautifully (except, perhaps, for the cheery chit chat which continued into the wee small hours!). Players also worked extremely hard in rehearsals. The spacious and comfortable **Mould Loft** with its exquisite timber herringbone ceiling was a great venue for the bulk of our rehearsals.

The final open rehearsal was a great experience and a testament to the group's musical efforts. We were very fortunate to be given permission to use the famous **Turbine Shed** for this final rehearsal. This didn't happen through sheer luck - the staff of the island know us now and look after us well – they too appreciate a well behaved group.

Sydney Eisteddfod - Sunday 31 May 2015 at Chatswood Concourse

It was fabulous to hear the orchestra playing so well in a hall with such fine acoustics. Whilst we didn't win the competition we nevertheless received a glowing report which Mark read to everyone in rehearsal.

Sydney Eisteddfod provided us with a recording available as a Dropbox download.

www.dropbox.com/s/sf21rmf4nksqaea/TSE281.04.wav?dl=0.

Programme

Symphony No 2 in D Major, Finale

Ludwig van Beethoven

Peace, from Sons of the ANZACS

George Dreyfus

Sibelius Second Symphony, Fourth Mvt

Sibelius/Leidig

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM THREE 2015

Monday 13th July 2015 7pm - AGM

Sunday 13th September 2015 – Our Cameraygal Festival event will be held in the Music Workshop space at the Sydney Conservatorium with the assistance of generous sponsor, Westbourne Constructions. We will be joined by guest players from Riverside Girls' High School. This year we will present *In The Limelight*, a concert responding to the theme of this year's Cameraygal Festival – *Lane Cove Shines*.

SPONSORSHIP:

- We acknowledge **Viva Energy Australia** (formerly Shell) for its enlightened Social Investment Program which gives such valuable support to community education. In particular we thank Viva Energy for supporting community music education through sponsorship of the LANE COVE YOUTH ORCHESTRA.
 - History – Initially Shell Gore Bay Terminal & Clyde Refinery granted us funding of \$10,000

in 2008 and in 2009. In April 2010 Shell confirmed we were successful in our bid to be selected as one of their Social Investment partners for the next three year period. Shell confirmed a total benefit of \$45,000 for 2010-2013 being \$15,000 per year. The funding is primarily for provision of scholarships for successful eligible students but occasionally some funding can be used for special events.

- 2014 – Vitol purchased Shell’s network of Australian petrol stations and Shell’s Australian assets were rebranded as Viva Energy Australia. Viva Energy sells Shell products under licence. I travelled to Melbourne in August to discuss further funding options and was pleased learn that funding of \$15,000 was confirmed for 2015.
- 2015 – Svetlana and I had a meeting with Poppy Papadopoulos from Viva Energy in Greenwich on 30th March.
 - We provided information on scholarship recipients and recent and upcoming LCYO events.
 - We have been invited to play in mid-November for a Gore Bay Terminal Community Information Evening at Greenwich Sailing Club (details TBC).
 - Further funding has not yet been confirmed.
- **Lane Cove Council** – we have applied for funding for the 2015-2016 year. We requested \$5,000 and have been awarded \$4,650. This cheque will be presented to us at an upcoming awards ceremony on Wednesday 5th August 2015.
- **Westbourne Constructions**, a Chatswood based company has kindly offered to sponsor the venue for one event per year to the value of \$3,500. We are thrilled to be using this sponsorship again this year for our September event at the Sydney Conservatorium. The concert will be called *In The Limelight*, responding to the theme of this year’s Cameraygal Festival – *Lane Cove Shines*.
- **Lane Cove Rotary** – for many years Rotary has generously supported our workshop by providing funds to help pay for tutors. Again this year they have supported us by providing \$1,700 for our workshop and camp.
- In September 2014 Jocelyn Gregory of **Hamilton & Co** again supported us with a generous donation of \$1,000 to assist with sheet music purchase. Jocelyn has since retired but has confirmed she and her husband will continue to support LCYO. We are most fortunate.
- **Waterbrook, Greenwich** – kindly gave a donation of \$800 in May 2015 towards our workshop and camp on Cockatoo Island. Waterbrook will no longer be able to provide wine for audience members at our concerts as they are no longer owned by Robert Oatley Vineyards and have been purchased by Lend Lease.
- Three generous patrons from the community have again pledged their support during 2015 and will donate \$340 each.
- **Bluefit** – supported our end of year Xmas party by providing facilities at reduced costs.
- Russell and Yvonne Hammond kindly continue to maintain their **Optimo Software** service to us free of charge. This amazing software package has made substantial improvements to our library - **Optimo Software** gives a unique way to file and search on all sheet music, books, recordings and other resources, linking them together and incorporating them in to one database. Our sincere thanks go to Russell and Yvonne and to Juliana Ellis who is assisting with database entries and general maintenance of library files.
- **More In kind support**
 - Lane cove Public School Venue and equipment – hall, canteen and percussion
 - Bakers Delight Bread for weekly suppers

- The Village Observer Reasonable advertising rates and inspired assistance with the writing of news and articles about LCYO.
- **Commonwealth Bank** – We submitted an application for the 2015 CBA Community Grants program in February. Thanks to John & Katerina Phibbs for informing us of the program. However we were not successful - perhaps we will have better luck next year.

TAX DEDUCTIBLE GIFT RECIPIENT:

The Lane Cove Youth Orchestra Donations Account is eligible to receive tax deductible donations. We are endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a Tax Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR).

Donations over \$2 made to 'LCYO Donations Fund' are tax deductible!

PROMOTION

Website: www.lanecoveyouthorchestra.org.au - Our sincere thanks go to Corey Stidston for establishing and maintaining this site.

Facebook [LCYO Facebook](#) - Established in February 2014. We try to update as often as possible.

Print media - We are placing an advertisement in **The Village Observer** six times per year. In addition, with the help of Ros Horton, violinist and author of the Music Notes pages, we give some exciting news about our plans and activities in each monthly issue. Thank you Ros.

IN CONCLUSION:

We thank to all who have helped throughout the year to make the Lane Cove Youth Orchestra thrive and grow:

- Our parent helpers on the supper roster and others who have helped with events and equipment management.
- Our extremely hard working committee, in particular Heather Golby (Secretary) and Svetlana Belchenko (Treasurer), and all parents who come along during rehearsals to help out in a variety of ways.
- Sponsors and supporters listed above
- And of course we thank our wonderful team of tutors and conductors for sharing their extensive knowledge and giving expert musical direction.

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