



Minutes of the Kumeu Vintage Brass Band Committee Meeting held on Thursday August 3rd, 2017
at Le petit Perigord Café, Kumeu

Present: Barbara Blackett, Stuart Caw, Lois Cuneen, Eric Cole, Bruce Sinton, Brian Ede, Graeme Gillies, Neville Thomas.

Apologies: Brian Gilbert

Minutes of previous meeting: Confirmed and accepted.

Discussions on:

- **Plaque for AED** – two examples of appropriate wording was tabled, majority vote for 1st example. Lois to have this at the Bandroom before 13 August.
- **Correspondence In:** Aria Gardens regarding account. **Correspondence Out:** Nil
- **Membership:** No new members to date - due to various issues e.g. health/holidays, committee discussed possibility of encouraging new members who are interested (must be experienced or have been in a Band). Stu Caw accepted the role as recruitment person in liaison with Graeme Gillies.
- **Reviews of playouts to date:** Evelyn Page \$250; Hibiscus Coast \$250; Thames \$300. All in all, another three successful outings delivered and well received.
- **Upcoming events:** Sunday August 20th - Orewa Baptist Church; Orewa College Events Centre
Friday and Saturday 27-28 October – Rehearsal and Concert – Whangaparaoa College
Sunday 12 November – Pakuranga Park Village
Sunday 17 December – Orewa Community Church
Carolling - Venues and dates to be advised. A “split band style” will once again be used.
There are no playouts being held in September due to some key section personnel being away.
- **Subscriptions and Finance:** Documents were tabled regarding all these – and all figures were accepted with thanks to both Neville and Eric for their reports. Subscriptions for the 2017-2018 year will be due shortly.
- **With the increase of “Village Concerts”** being asked of the Band, committee thought an Events Manager would need to be appointed to contact the villages to arrange playouts/dates/costs etc. Neville Thomas offered to take on this role.
- **Annual General Meeting** - Sunday 13 August. Brian Ede advised that the current President, Secretary and Treasurer are all willing to stand again for another year, Eric Cole also said he will stand again as KVBB member. Brian Gilbert was not available to give his consent as a KVBB member, but it was thought he would not object if asked. Other notables e.g. life members, will be asked to come along if they could. The Evolution Band will play an item and there will be Tea, Coffee and Biscuits after the meeting. Our current Patron, Sir John Key, has declined to take on the Patron role again as he is breaking away from all his “patron status duties”. Craig Walker is to be approached to see if he would be interested to take on this role as our Patron.
- **Grant Applications** - Resource consent is still ongoing. \$10,000 received from Auckland Council, \$5,000 put into General Funds for Building Extension purposes. Public Liability Insurance Cover is going ahead. \$750 minimum policy for covering any damages if or when this occurs i.e. playout venues.
- **Band Promotion** – A brochure advertising our Band will be set up to be promoted throughout different areas of interest. We will converse with Phil Thompson, as our Publicity Officer, to design this. Graeme Gillies will also approach Phil on the possibility of accepting to be a KVB committee member.
- **Whangaparaoa College Concert** – Ticket prices for this year’s concert will be \$20 each. Those that require a bulk order of 10 or more tickets will pay a discounted price of \$15 each. A \$10 charge for children 12yrs and under. All KVB members are asked to sell a total of 8 tickets. Unlike last year, we will not accept returned unsold tickets on the day of the concert. Tickets that have not been sold by members, must be returned on or before Thursday 19th October. Neville Thomas will again be Liaison contact with the College. There will be no Raffle prizes this year and the Interval will have Tea, Coffee, Water and Biscuits with a \$2 charge. The Band Photo shoot will also take place prior to the Concert. KVB will finance the photo shoot and copies of the photo will be available for purchase.
Update on Shed – Mainly due to weather conditions and other reasons, this exercise has remained uncompleted but as soon as we can (with some able volunteer assistance) we will make a start on getting this edifice completed.
- **Band Ladies formal wear** – Barbara Blackett is your contact in the type of formal wear for all the Lady members. Please confer with Barbara to discuss your ideas.
- **Transporting Banner Box** – The Banner box had a fortunate “fixable” break. Please be careful when transporting this to venues.

A very hearty and pleasant meeting with good input from all. Meeting closed at 11.55.

A man is on holiday on a tropical island and the first thing he hears is drums. He goes to the beach and hears the drums; he eats lunch, he hears the drums; he tries to sleep, he can't – drums. Finally he storms over to the manager. I've had it! Can't you stop those drums? he begs. "No!" says the manager – "It's very bad if the drums stop" "Why?" asks the man The manager replies – "When the drums stop, the bass section begins"