



. . . 14 sleeps 'til Christmas!

ALL CHORISTERS

Circular No 38

Friday 11 December 2015

Christmas Concert, Hamer Hall - 19 December, 7.30pm [Bookings](#)

Adults \$55 Concession \$47 and Children \$25

COMING EVENTS

- Monday December 14 - Arts Centre Christmas Morning Melodies (selected boys) 9.30 - 3pm
Thursday December 17 - **FINAL rehearsal** (no Friday rehearsal due to concert next day 😊)
Saturday December 19 - Christmas Concert - Hamer Hall, Arts Centre Melbourne
December 22 to 24 - Carols by Candlelight (selected boys)

FINAL REHEARSAL FOR 2015

A reminder that rehearsal next week is has been moved from Friday to **Thursday December 17 - 7pm to 9.15pm**. Full details for concert day were on last week's circular.

Has the robe been checked/ hemmed to length as needed? Please ensure this is done – boys are very embarrassed if they arrive at the concert with the robe hanging all over the floor!

MORNING MELODIES – Hamer Hall, Monday December 14

Full details went home last week - Friday 27, Circular P36

CHRISTMAS CONCERT - Saturday 19 December, 7.30 pm

Adults \$55 Concession \$47 and Children \$25 [Tickets](#) on line or phone **1300 182 183**

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Many thanks to the boys and parents of the Kids Segment who headed to Channel 9 last night for the recording session. . . . the traffic was horrendous!

Tuesday 22 December

Kids Segment Boys – Afternoon

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| Venue | Myer Music Bowl Linlithgow Avenue, Melbourne (Melways ref 2F J8) |
| Arrive | 2.00pm - Meet NBCA staff at the bottom of the driveway in Linlithgow Avenue – the boys will move as a group to the tent behind the Bowl stage. |
| Wear | NBCA rehearsal gear (polo/rugby top) |
| Bring | Satchel with music, drink, snack lunch, quiet activity |
| Depart | 4.30pm – from the same place in Linlithgow Ave |

First Nowell/ O Holy Boys - Afternoon

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| Venue | Myer Music Bowl Linlithgow Avenue, Melbourne (Melways ref 2F J8) |
| Arrive | 2.45pm – Meet NBCA staff at the bottom of the driveway in Linlithgow Avenue – the boys will move as a group to the tent behind the Bowl stage. |
| Wear | NBCA rehearsal gear (polo/rugby top) |
| Bring | Satchel with music, drink, snack, quiet activity |
| Depart | 4.15pm – from the same place in Linlithgow Ave. |

Wednesday 23 December

Kids Segment Boys - Afternoon

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| Venue | Myer Music Bowl, Linlithgow Ave (as Tuesday) |
| Arrive | 1.15pm (having had lunch) |
| Wear | NBCA Street wear with short sleeve shirt, Rugby top if cool (no tie or blazer) |
| Bring | Snack, drink and quiet activity |
| Depart | 6.00pm |

First Nowell/ O Holy Boys - Afternoon

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|--------|--|
| Venue | Myer Music Bowl, Linlithgow Ave (as Tuesday) |
| Arrive | 3.45pm |
| Wear | NBCA Street wear with short sleeve shirt, rugby top if cool (no blazer or tie) |
| Bring | substantial snack, drink and quiet activity |
| Depart | 6.30pm |

Thursday 24 December – Christmas Eve - Show time!

A bus will be provided for all choristers performing – both **Kids Segment** and **First Nowell/O Holy Night boys**.

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| Venue | NBCA Ringwood |
| Arrive | 6pm for bus departure 6.15pm latest |
| Wear | NBCA streetwear, taupe trousers, black belt with short sleeve shirt. black shoes and socks, blazer and tie (carry blazer if warm) |
| Bring | |

Kids Segment boys

Carried in your Uniform Bag – black NBCA performance trousers (please check that these fit well). A t-shirt will be provided. Ensure you have **black socks** on with your NBCA uniform black shoes.

In your music satchel – snack, drink and quiet game/book etc

First Nowell/ O Holy Boys

Carried in the Robe Bag – robe, low neck white t-shirt, jiffies, white socks

In your music satchel – snack, drink and quiet game/book etc

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| Return | 11.45pm (approximately) to NBCA Ringwood |
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Please note

If any parent wishes to collect their boy/boys from the Music Bowl, please put a request **in writing to be handed to the NBCA staff member** on duty with the roll at the *Dress Rehearsal Wednesday 23 Dec* and then on Christmas Eve, after the performance, you **MUST** collect the boy/boys promptly (*the remaining boys have a bus to catch to get home before Santa does his rounds!*) from the bottom of the rear driveway, so that the names can be recorded as having left the group. You will not be allowed to enter the security area.

With the year rapidly drawing to an end, it's time to start thinking about 2016 . . .

DATES FOR THE 2016 DIARY

The all-important dates for 2016 – diaries and calendars open and pencils at the ready!

The boys will be required on **Wednesday 27 January** for voice part auditions; these should only take a short time. Please come in car pool rosters if necessary using the following as a guide:

Surname: A–F 5 – 6pm G–O 6 – 7pm P–Z 7 – 8pm

- Repertoire workshop **Sunday 21 February**, 2 – 5.30pm (Times TBC)
- Weekend Workshop 1 April Sat 16 & Sun 17 (actual times to be confirmed)
- Weekend Workshop 2 July Sat 9 & Sun 10
- Weekend Workshop 3 November Sat 12 & Sun 13

Major Concert dates:

- Mid-Year Concert Saturday July 23 Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash
- Christmas Concert Saturday December 18 Arts Centre Melbourne, Hamer Hall

In the meantime please note the first **Friday rehearsal for 2016**
Friday 29 January, 7 – 9.30pm

MONDAY REHEARSAL

December 14 No rehearsal following Morning Melodies that day.

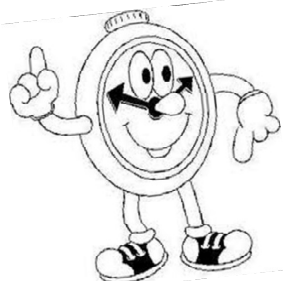


Phew!



Christmas Hamper Raffle

That's it. **Time's up!**



I hope everyone returned their money and sold raffle tickets – the Hamper Raffle is/was (*depending when you read this*) **drawn TONIGHT**.

Hooley Dooley talk about busy elves. Did you see **ALL** those Hampers????

Congratulations to **all** the lucky winners. If you haven't collected your hamper tonight, don't forget to collect or arrange for collection by next Thursday 18 December.

Check out homework over the page

HOMEWORK

All check *O Come All Ye Faithful* verses 1, 2, 5, 6 & 7 **and** *Jingle Bells*

Morning Melodies boys – check memory for *Song of Joy* and *We Wish You*

Carols *First Nowell* boys – First Nowell and O Holy Night should be well on the way to being learned/
memorised

Kids Segment boys – all songs should be memorised asap