# Would you like to be on our Mailing List?

Please complete the Form located in the Foyer, or call our Secretary who's details are on P2

# Are you interested in joining the Chorale?

Please contact one of the people listed on P2 who will put you in touch with the Musical Director **Tenors** especially welcome!



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# **West Gippsland Chorale**

# A Ceremony of Carols

Benjamin Britten

**Including a feast of International Carols** 



with Jacinta Dennett - Harp
Christmas Concert - Dec 7th & 8th 2013



#### Welcome



## A message from our President ~ Anne Outhred

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of another year. Welcome to our last concert for 2013.

Belonging to any group requires ongoing commitment and dedication and I thank all members of the chorale and their families for the way they support each other in their enjoyment and love of singing. There is something very self-less about singing in a choir. When you sing with a group of people, you learn how to subsume yourself into a group consciousness because singing is all about the immersion of the self into the community. The self disappears and you become part of a bigger whole when you sing in a group. A choir is like a little village: made up of individual personalities, but the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

Thank you to our audiences who become part of our community throughout the year. This choral village relies on your support to be sustainable. We hope you can join us in 2014.

# West Gippsland Chorale Concert Dates for 2014

- Friday 16th May & Sunday 18th May
- Friday 12th Sept & Sunday 14th Sept
- Friday 12th Dec & Sunday 14th Dec Fridays at 8.00pm & Sundays at 2.00pm

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# **Community Carol**

#### Hark! The herald angels sing

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King Peace on earth and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled Joyful all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies With angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King

Christ by highest heaven adored Christ, the everlasting Lord Late in time behold Him come Offspring of a Virgin's womb Veiled in flesh the Godhead see Hail the incarnate deity Pleased as man with man to dwell Jesus, our Emmanuel

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King

Hail, the heaven born Prince of Peace, Hail, the Son of Righteousness Light and life to all He brings Risen with healing in His wings Mild He lays His glory by Born that man no more may die Born to raise the sons of earth Born to give them second birth

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King

#### The First Nowell

The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far,

and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel

This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest, and there it did both stop and stay right over the place where Jesus lay.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord; that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood mankind hath bought.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel



# Community Carols O come all ye faithful

O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem; Come and behold him, born the King of angels:

O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

True God of true God, Light of Light eternal Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb; Son of the Father, begotten not created:

O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; Glory to God, in the highest:

O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him. Christ the Lord.



#### Simon Loveless ~ Musical Director

Simon has long been active in choral music as a conductor, accompanist, singer, administrator and advocate. He joined West Gippsland Chorale as accompanist in 2011 and moved to the role of Musical Director at the start of 2012. He is also the Musical Director of Casey Choir and Da Capo Singers chamber choir, Assistant Artistic Director and accompanist for Berwick Youth Choir. In addition to his choral involvements, Simon works extensively as a freelance accompanist.

# Jacinta Dennett ~ Harpist

Jacinta is a freelance harpist playing in orchestras and ensembles in Australia, Singapore and New Zealand. Her eclectic experience also includes performing in musicals, studio recording, film, showcase performances on cruise ships, residencies entertaining in Melbourne and Sydney hotels and at festivals. Jacinta is a member of faculty at the Australian National Academy of Music, the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music and the Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School and tutored at National Music Camp. She is a regular guest at the Australian Harp Festivals giving workshops on using the body efficiently and playing mindfully to improve tone production.

Born in Ballarat her initial music training began on piano at three before being introduced to harp at Loreto College. Early harp teachers included Melbourne harpists; Mary Anderson and Huw Jones and later with Australian exponents of the Salzedo harp method; Xanya Mamunya, June Loney, Louise Johnson and Alice Giles. Jacinta has studied further with harpist Rita Costanzi, in New York City and has attended Judith Liber's Master Classes in Italy. Jacinta is currently undertaking a Master of Fine Arts at the University of Melbourne's Centre for Ideas, investigating essential gesture through eurythmy and harp playing.

# **West Gippsland Chorale**

**Soprano:** Margaret Carlisle, Sue Carson, Janette Clark, Marion Cohen, Lynne Davine, Pauline Hastings, Miriam Hood, Judy Hopkins, Elizabeth McCaffery,

Joy Parker, Jessica Chambers, Joy Sim, Diane Wilkie.

**Alto:** Leonie Broeren, Lisa Campbell, Helen Chambers, Janice Eshuis, Lynn Jones, Jan MacLean, Jacquie Newman, Anne Outhred, Karin Ryan,

Jenny Steele, Venetia Somerset , Alice Youlden.

**Tenor:** Marie Kitching, Geoff Leunig, John McCaffery, John Reilly, Walter Willems. **Bass:** Peter Eshuis, Thomas Gibbons, Peter Medling, Des Parker, Allan Richards, Michael Sayer, David Tanner, Alan Wright.

An auditioned community choir based in Warragul, the Chorale consists 50 of the district's most talented singers. The Chorale was formed as a madrigal group 28 years ago. In 2011, the Chorale together with the Heidelberg Choral Society performed Handel's Messiah to audiences in West Gippsland and Melbourne and again in 2012, combined to present Carmina Burana as part of an eclectic program.

# ~ Program ~

## A Boy Was Born

Benjamin Britten

## The Angels and the Shepherds

Bohemian Carol arr. C H Trevor

#### I Saw A Maiden

Basque Noel, with refrain by Edgar Pettman

# **Silent Night**

Franz Gruber arr. John Rutter

# **Community Carol**

O Come All Ye Faithful



#### **Guest Artist ~ Jacinta Dennett**

Chanson dans la nuit - Carlos Salzedo

'Interlude' from Dancing Day - John Rutter

Bugeilio'r Gwenith Gwyn arr. John Thomas

Traditional Welsh Love Song

# **Community Carol**

Hark! The herald angels sing

#### Deck the Hall

Welsh traditional carol
David Willcocks

## **Away In A Manger**

Normandy Tune arr. Reginald Jacques

## The Three Kings

Peter Cornelius ~ arr. Patrick Williams Baritone Soloist ~ Alan Wright

## **A Merry Christmas**

West Country Carol arr. Arthur Warrell

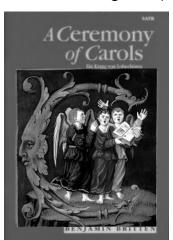
Community Carol
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~ Interval ~

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arranged for Choir and Harp by Julius Harrison Soloists: Lynne Davine, Janice Eshuis, Peter Eshuis, Pauline Hastings, Judy Hopkins, Lynn Jones, John McCaffery



- 1. Procession
- 2. Wolcum Yole!
- 3. There is no rose
- 4a. That yongë child
- 4b. Balulalow
- 5. As dew in Aprille
- 6. This little Babe
- 7. Interlude
- 8. In Freezing Winter Night
- 9. Spring Carol
- 10. Deo Gracias
- 11. Recession

**Harp Accompaniment ~ Jacinta Dennett**