



# Lyre Notes



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## First Rehearsal Dates Term 3

**BB:** Tues 12 July, 5.00pm  
**SO:** Thur 14 July, 4.45pm  
**LBB:** Fri 15 July, 5.00pm  
**YS:** Fri 15 July, 6.30pm  
**GCYO2:** Sat 16 July, 8.00am

## Management Committee

effective 22.6.11

Director of Music: Bruce Davidson

Chairperson: Louise Gorman

Treasurer: Nicolas Saint Clair

Secretary: Tanya Leydon

General members: Sarah Jane Ash,

Vallipuram Muthukumarasamy,

Geoff Mulhall



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## Director of Music ~ words from Bruce

### Welcome to Term 3 - rehearsals start week beginning 11 July

Welcome back! It is hard to believe we are already halfway through 2011. I am very pleased with the standard of work being performed by our five orchestras - well done! Our second Concert on 19 June received great reviews from audience members as well as professional musicians that were in attendance. Commitment to excellence must underlie all we do. Thanks for your hard work.

### New Management Committee

The GCYO annual general meeting was held on 22 June and I am pleased to announce the appointment of seven members to our Management Committee (MC). See side panel for listing and also check out their profiles on our website <http://goldcoastyouthorchestra.com.au/committee/>

The Management Committee brings strength to the GCYO with expertise from a variety of disciplines including law, finance, information technology, governance, education, music, business and engineering. The GCYO is in good hands.

### Operations

As you would know, Patricia Geale stepped in to help fill vacancies we had in the organisation from last September. Patricia will be staying on to help us through the end of this year; she will then augment GCYO activities with other pursuits from 2012. In addition to helping with operations, she will remain an active volunteer for GCYO at rehearsals, concerts, meetings and other events.

As a 'temporary helper' Patricia has made a substantial contribution and I am grateful to her for her efforts and the new energy we feel at GCYO.

### Concerts & Events

We have a busy term with concerts, collaborations with other ensembles as well as many outside performances. A **Calendar of Concerts and Events** is presented on the last page; we are still finalising some dates and times so keep checking our website for the most up-to-date details.

The conductors and I are looking forward to introducing new and challenging repertoire. I encourage all musicians to review and practice the repertoire outside regular rehearsals - orchestral work is a team effort!

I wish you all a productive and enjoyable Term 3.

*Bruce Davidson*

Thank you  
to all  
GCYO families  
We value your  
care and support  
for our wonderful  
organisation

## Work for Telstra?

If you do,  
then we'd like to  
speak with you  
about the  
'Telstra's Kid's Fund'  
**because...**  
the GCYO would be  
eligible  
for a grant of \$1200

Please let us know  
if you can assist

Here's hoping  
we have at least  
one Telstra person  
in our extended  
GCYO family...

## Did you know?

# good news

- ✓ Concert #1 in April raised \$2,100 for GCYO music programs
- ✓ Concert # 2 in June raised \$2,600 for GCYO music programs
- ✓ In May, GCYO received \$5,000 from the Gold Coast City Council to purchase instruments
- ✓ In May, GCYO received \$2,500 from Cr Crichlow - Divisional Donations
- ✓ GCYO recently won the bid to perform at 6 Commonwealth Games Civic Receptions for the Gold Coast City Council
- ✓ GCYO has a new Constitution that is more user-friendly and relevant (soon to be uploaded to the website - standby)
- ✓ GCYO has received almost \$30,000 worth of new building-hire business in the past 7 months
- ✓ GCYO has won the AMEB Theory venue-hire business for 2011 and 2012
- ✓ We have received a 'new' donated refrigerator with a large freezer - space for lots of icy poles in summer
- ✓ More than 70 generous GCYO families supported our last 2 raffles by bringing in Easter goodies, wine and chocolate - approx \$1500 product value - thanks!
- ✓ By recently changing GCYO's cleaners, we will save around \$11,000 pa
- ✓ GCYO will receive near 2,200 hours of help from caring volunteers in 2011
- ✓ The GCYO has submitted 7 Grant Funding Applications to local, state and federal government in the past 5 months with plans for another 5 this year
- ✓ Our new website has generated around 140 inquiries in the past 5 months
- ✓ Our internal doors are about to get a face-lift
- ✓ Both of our in-house Concerts had audiences in excess of 300 each ... with almost all staying until the last group of performers had finished - thanks!
- ✓ GCYO was recently featured in The Sun Newspaper - generated 10 calls from interested families and 12 new audience members for our June Concert - that's just the people we know about - ripple effect will continue
- ✓ We plan to have a baby grand piano at GCYO in the near future
- ✓ GCYO has re-homed the music library - so spacious and well organised!
- ✓ GCYO volunteers got together over a Sunday brunch during the holidays - fun and good laughs had by all!



## Personalised Merchandise

**Now taking orders for personalised merchandise!**

We can now embroider your name

**and**

a selected music note or instrument plus logo on polo-shirts and instrument cleaning cloths.

**Please ask to see samples!**

Turnaround time 7-days!

Plain cloth	\$10
Personalised cloth	\$15
Plain polo-shirt	\$20
Personalised polo	\$25

All funds raised from merchandising go to music programs.

Please support the GCYO musicians by considering our merchandise.



## Concert & Event Calendar 2011

### TERM 3 (11 July - 16 September)

Mon 4 July	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - GCYS Quartet
Fri 22 July	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - group TBA
Mon 8 Aug	time TBA	Southport Yacht Club - Little Big Band and Big Band
Fri 12 Aug	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - group TBA
Fri 12 Aug	6pm	Joint Concert: YS & QYO3 (venue GCYO)
Sat 20 Aug	1.15-2.15pm	Blends of Jazz Broadbeach Festival - Big Band
Sat 3 Sept	2pm	Joint Concert: YS & QYO3 (venue Old Museum Building, Brisbane)
Sept	date/time TBA	Jam and Jazz - Little Big Band and Big Band
6-10 Sept	all rehearsals	Jump In for Visiting Musicians
Sun 11 Sept	2pm	Concert: GCYO2, SO and LBB (venue GCYO)
Fri 23 Sept	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - group TBA
Thu 29 Sept	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - GCYS Quartet
Fri 21 Oct	time TBA	GCCC Commonwealth Games Civic Reception - group TBA

### TERM 4 (3 October - 9 December)

Sun 9 Oct	time TBA	Suzuki Music Graduations at GCYO: YS accompany
Sat Oct 8	tentative	Joint Concert: SO & QYOJSO (venue Old Museum Building, Brisbane)
Sat 15 Oct	12-5pm	Auditions for 2012 Entry
Sun 16 Oct	8-5pm	Auditions for 2012 Entry
Sat 22 Oct	12-5pm	Auditions for 2012 Entry
Sun 23 Oct	8-5pm	Auditions for 2012 Entry
Sat 12 Nov	6.30pm	Gala Concert at Arts Centre Gold Coast
Sun 20 Nov	2-5pm	Christmas Party at GCYO - everyone bring a plate:)

#### Abbreviations

GCYS:	Youth Symphony
GCYO2:	Youth Symphony II
SO:	String Orchestra
BB:	Big Band
LBB:	Little Big Band
QYOJSO:	Qld Youth Orchestra Jnr Strings
QYO3:	3rd Qld Youth Orchestra
GCCC:	Gold Coast City Council
TBA:	to be advised

Enjoy!

Please note, some details are still being finalised. For full and the most current information, visit our website.