

Hunter Regional Band Association Inc.

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MINUTES OF Hunter Regional Band Association MEETING HELD 10/02/18 At Rathmines Music Centre.

Meeting opened at 1010am.

Attendance	Linden Wright	Newcastle PCYC Brass
	Paul Mather	Lake Macquarie Winds
	Doug Treloar	Western Lake Macquarie Concert Band
	Brendon Jones	Newcastle PCYC
	Sven Wright	Newcastle PCYC
	Alan Smith	Toronto & District Brass Band
	David Walker	Cardiff North Lakes

Sven Wright welcomed those present and thanked them for attending.

Apologies	Fiona Hanson	HSPA
	Louise Hetherington	Toronto & District Brass Band
	Carolyn Mather	Newcastle PCYC
	Ken Haynes	Brisbane Water Brass

2. Motion: Minutes of the previous meeting 2/12/17 be accepted.

Moved Brendon Jones **Seconded** Paul Mather **Approved.**

1. Business arising from 2/12/17 minutes:

a. Dates for 2018 playout events

Music in the gardens – 27/5/18 and 30/9/18 suggested by Hunter Valley Botanic gardens. These dates to be circulated to garner interest from member bands.

Bands in the Park – Plan is to have 2 in the first half year, with a possible 3rd later in the year if one of the first 2 does not go ahead.

Senior Bands – 7/8th April 2018 – the week after easter

Junior bands – Late June – say 24th June – 2 weeks after East Coast.

September for a 3rd event if required.

Events coordinator to contact venues for available dates.

b. Clarification of Solos expenditure.

TDBB is to receive \$600 from HRBA for holding the solos (same remuneration as PCYC receives for hosting the East Coast)

TDBB's final claim for outgoings omitted an expenditure of \$300. This \$300 remuneration from HRBA was therefore paid at a later time.

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4. Correspondence In and out.

Post Box 143. Nil

Emails Various.
Enthusiastic enquiry from Wollongong regarding Junior Brass and Wind bands competing at the east Coast.

5. Treasurers Report.

This was tabled by the treasurer.

The income for the period was from bank interest of \$4.69

The expenditure was for website domain renewal of \$32.89

There was full bank reconciliation with a balance of \$22,940.10

The treasurer noted that he uses the period from one HRBA meeting to the next (i.e 2 months) as his reference intervals for his reports.

Motion that the Treasurers report be accepted

Moved Brendon Jones **Seconded** Sven Wright **Approved.**

6. General Business.

- a. * Newcastle Conservatorium has been booked for the 2018 East Coast. Cost at approximately \$1900 is the same as 2017 and will include use of all the percussion equipment.
- * Des Canning – MD of Wollongong Junior BB has expressed serious interest in the EC.
- * A small number of firms will be invited to have trade displays at the EC. The treasurer recommended that they not be charged a fee as the HRBA is in a sound financial state and they would probably “value add” to the event. Three suggested were Ozzy Jellyman, Kurt Jacob and Sax & Woodwind. If interested they would be reminded of the limited space available.
- * Adjudicator – TBA
- * There are a small number of studio rooms on the 2nd floor that may be available for individual or small group warm up. The sound from them should not carry to the main hall.
- b. A separate email is to be set up for the Events Coordinator. This is to free up the HRBA email address for the Chairperson. It will probably be hrbaevents@gmail.com
- c. **Venue** for HRBA meetings to remain at Rathmines. If Central Coast band members wish to attend this should be closer for them.

Motion that the entry fee for the East Coast championship remain at \$100

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Other Business.

Motion that the HRBA committee congratulate David Walker on his OAM award.

Moved Sven Wright **Seconded** Doug Treloar **Approved.**

Discussion regarding ways to encourage end of Year 6 school students to continue their playing in community bands.

NSWBA has been collecting data by way of surveying member bands. This is to assist in applying for grants from bodies such as Create NSW and bands were encouraged to complete the survey.

The Australian National Band Championship is being held in Melbourne at Easter 30/3/18 to 2/4/18. Local bands entered are Maitland Brass Band, HSPA Senior Concert Band, Toronto District brass and Central Coast Brass.

Linden Wright is now a member of the selection committee for the Young Band Person of the Year award including the HRBA Young Band Person of the Year. The winner will be selected on 18/5/18 and will be announced at the East Coast Championships.

Meeting concluded at 1107am.

Next meeting:

The HRBA will continue to meet at the Rathmines Music centre.

Next meeting 14/04/2018 at 9.30am.

(Meetings normally on 2nd Saturday of the even numbered months)