

SATS Monthly Meeting – 16th October 2006

Opened: 7:10pm

Present: C. Griffin, D. Taylor, M. Smith, Janet Sandford, M. Guillon, A. Kelly,
A. Almond, J. Doughty, A. Doughty and M. Godschalk.

Apologies: N. Taylor, Jim Sandford and K. Smith.

Minutes of September meeting were read and moved by Miranda and seconded by Daryl.

Business Arising:

No members were able to attend the Community Theatre Conference due to work and other commitments.

Our application for Annie is currently being processed.

Michael is in the process of organising the entertainment for the Hunter Street Art Show.

Jon enquired if any follow up was conducted regarding SAMS and the grand piano as he is aware that they have opted for a second hand piano and are thus close to making the actual purchase. Jon volunteered to chase the matter up.

Treasurer's Report:

The current cashbook balance is \$10172.10. Income for the month of September included membership fees and the purchase of Mikado costumes, while expenses were insurance for the CHATS production of *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

Mark will sort out the invoice (see below) we received from Incite Graphics totalling \$460 for Mikado posters and tickets, as this has already been paid and the cheque cashed.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and read by Mark and seconded by Alison.

Incoming Correspondence:

- SAMS Newsletter Volume 73 and invitation to attend the Launching of the Piano Keys
- Incite Graphics Invoice/Statement for \$460 for The Mikado posters, tickets and floor plans
- Cheque from Macquarie Generation totalling \$234 being payment of additional tickets purchased to The Mikado
- DVD and flyer from Seltaeb Music promoting Class of 77 musical.
- Donation of \$500 from Lions Club for performing at their Home and Leisure Expo in August
- Request from Cooina Hostel to perform at their carols night on Thursday 7th December at 7pm
- Request from Nightingale Wines to perform at their Carols by Candlelight event on Thursday 21st December between 6:30pm and 9pm

General Business:

Constitution - Andrew stated that if SATS were an incorporation by guarantee we would require the ASIC constitution. Andrew is happy to contact the ASIC and chase this up but he wanted to consult the committee first. As SATS don't have a solicitor it was decided that Andrew will make some enquiries on behalf of the group and get back to us if legal advice is required.

Playbill Publication - Miranda had spoken with Kim from Stage Whisper magazine who had called to see if we were interested in advertising our productions in their Playbill Publication. The cost would be \$150 for a 6x5cm ad or \$300 for a 12x5cm ad which included a 250 word editorial. It was decided to decline the offer as we felt this form of advertising would not be beneficial to us.

Road Case - Daryl had found a road case for sale on eBay and was interested in purchasing it.

Band Concert Lighting - Alison reminded Daryl that he is doing the lights for the band concert this weekend. Daryl asked for some help with setting up the equipment and manning the sound desk. Miranda and Jon are free to help on Saturday afternoon. Daryl will also meet with Gwen Downing tomorrow to discuss the lighting for the Conservatorium's concert *Dazzle* early next month.

CHATS Jack and the Beanstalk - Mark stated that *Jack and the Beanstalk* is underway. Janet and Jon have found most of the music for the show. Mark will see Bob this week as the show is only 5 weeks away. Mark was not certain about the future of CHATS but said he will discuss this at a later date.

We discussed a suitable price to charge for *Jack and the Beanstalk* tickets. It was decided to charge \$10 adults, \$5 children and \$25 for a family ticket.

Janet asked if Jon would put together a poster to advertise *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

Annie 2007 - Mark also stated that while we are yet to receive the contract for Annie he has spoken with the people at Hal Lennard and they have confirmed we have been cleared and given the rights to put on this show in 2007. Mark wants to cast Annie by Christmas.

Mark is planning a similar format to *The Sound of Music*, using 2 sets of children and alternate them between principal roles and chorus from show to show. Jon is was able to get backing tracks for the show. Dominique Cunningham has agreed to play for the shows and Mark will approach Jason Gittoes regarding musical direction.

CATS - Mark has sent an email to Origin regarding *Cats* and by the end of the week Mark will give them a call to chase it up.

Christmas Carols - Jon received a fax from Nightingale Wines asking if we would perform at their carols night on Thursday 21st December. We have also been asked to provide Christmas Carols for Cooina on Thursday 7th December and for Rotary on Friday 15th December. Jim will be unavailable to do the sound for Nightingales but Daryl stated that he can man the sound once the lighting is set up.

Meg is in the process of organising our Christmas programme and asked for volunteers to contact her. Meg is also arranging the musicians. It was agreed that we would perform at all three events. Miranda will draft letters of reply to Cooina and Nightingales.

Chorus Oz 2007 - Janet stated that the Sydney Philharmonia is looking for singers to participate in 'Chorus Oz' performance of Verdi's Requiem at the Opera House in June 2007. Registration forms need to be posted ASAP and would like it done by the end of the week. We could rehearse for this event as a group.

Meeting closed: 8:15pm