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News in Brief

2014 Criteria : The criteria was discussed & set at the 2013 AGM. Criteria document is attached. The Nominee portion of the entry fee. And the Society portion remains unchanged from 2013.

2013 Membership

Directory : This is now more of a "living document" than a separate publication. The Membership info is updated on the Website as and when it is received. The sooner you send in your updated info and 2014 Competition dates, the more people will view it.

Adjudicator Lists :

Please send in your Societies Adjudicator names and contacts either by post or by Email.

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PACANZ Annual General Meeting 2013 - Report

The 2013 AGM was held on April 13th in Palmerston North. The meeting was attended by 44 delegates and Life members which was one of the largest AGM's in recent times.

The following items were voted on:

- **Subs** for 2014 remain at \$120
- **Entry Fees and Apra Levies** were discussed and the new calculation and costs are presented later in this newsletter
- **Auditor** for 2013/2014 is Mead Stark
- **Patron** remains as Sir William Southgate
- **Deanna Watson** was re-elected as President of PACANZ
- **Tracey Andrews** was re-elected as the Central North Island delegate
- **Sonia van den Yssel** was re-elected as the Southern South Island delegate
- **Bronwyn Jensen** was re-elected as Northern North Island delegate & as Vice President
- **2 new Life Members** were presented to the Membership : Fay Hay and Deanna Watson have both been on the Board for more than 10 years and

their Life Membership status was presented in recognition of this generous contribution of both their time and knowledge

- The **Venue** for the **2014 Annual General Meeting** is to be confirmed. The Board will look at possible venues at their Board meeting following the AGM. Queenstown is a possibility for the South Island.

The 2013 Conference was held in the afternoon and consisted of 2 presentations. Michael Smit from Cotton Kelly Audit presented on a Financial Warrant of Fitness for Not for Profit organisations and Mark von Dadelszen, honorary solicitor for the NZ Singing School Trust, spoke on NZ Copyright law and the ramifications for performing arts. Both speakers were well received and proceeded to immerse the attendees with their knowledge on their respective areas of expertise. A thoroughly enjoyable, educational and thought provoking afternoon.

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES FOR SOCIETIES TO NOTE

20th Sept 2013 :- Adverts/gift sponsorship for Awards Programme to be submitted

11th-13th Oct 2013:- ILT National Young Performer Awards, in Invercargill

31st Jan 2014 :- Society Reports and Remits for Annual Report and AGM to be submitted

12th March 2014 :- Draft Annual Accounts to be distributed to Member Societies

15th March 2014 :- Registrations for AGM in Palmerston North close

12th April 2014 :- Annual General Meeting in Palmerston North

AGM 2014 Update

Saturday 12th April 2014 : Hotel Coachman, Palmerston North

At the 2013 Annual General Meeting, the venue for the 2014 Annual General Meeting was discussed. The Meeting chose the date of 12th April 2014 (to avoid School holidays and still meet the obligations under the Constitution). The Board was instructed to look at costings for Queenstown as a South Island venue and discuss the possibility of returning to Palmerston North for 2014.

With further investigation the Board can now confirm Palmerston North as the venue for the AGM . As the host city for the upcoming awards, the Board and the Executive Officer would have been spending time in the city and it was deemed to be prudent to utilize the time pre and post the AGM for conducting the Board business. The Venue for the AGM and Conference will be the Hotel Coachman, www.coachman.co.nz . The Hotel has put together some great rates for delegates attending the AGM, so in the mean-time, please mark the dates in your diary and keep an eye on Grabaseat for cheap flights.



We look forward to seeing you all in Palmerston North in April 2014.



Membership affiliation

Thank you to all Societies who have paid their Subscriptions. From time to time Societies request proof of their membership, generally to support their funding applications for Grants. Please contact the office if you require a Membership letter as it can either be E-mailed or posted to you within 24 hours. You also receive a receipt of payment and that receipt is included in the hard copy mail out of this Newsletter.

2013 ILT Awards update—Notification of Nominees

Planning and organisation is well underway with the majority of Societies having held their competitions in the past few months. Nominee numbers are steadily rising but I am currently waiting on the Notification of Nomination forms from a few Societies who held their competitions in June and July. Please send in these forms as soon as possible as the nominees cannot receive their entry information if I do not know who they are!! They are usually very keen and quite often contact the Office before I have even heard from the Society. The timely sending of accurate information would really be appreciated.

Tickets for ILT National Young Performer Awards

ICC Ticketing Office in Invercargill is the contact for booking tickets to attend the Awards. Tickets are available for Adults and Children for Day passes, Weekend Passes (including Final Concert) or for the Final Concert itself. A ticket booking form is attached and a hard copy will be sent to Societies as well. Please note that all payments and booking sheets must be sent to the ICC Booking Office and not to the PACANZ Office.

2013 Entry Fees and Apra Levy's now due

Many thanks to those Societies who return their paperwork and payment for Entry Fees and Levy's at the completion of their Comps. If your Society hasn't returned them yet, then please do so as soon as possible. We had quite a few that accrued as a debt at the end of the Financial year and it makes the Audit that little bit simpler if we don't have any outstanding payments. The necessary form is attached to this mail out for your use.

Advertising in the NYPA Programme

Attached to this mail out is the form for Societies and others to advertise in the NYPA programme and/or to sponsor gifts for the nominees. Please return this form as soon as possible if you wish to have an advert in this year's programme and no later than **20th September**. Considering this is a full colour publication, the costs to advertise are very reasonable and your Society info and/or competition dates are guaranteed to reach your target audience. We also accept advertisements from other like minded businesses and organisations, so please feel free to pass the advertising schedule onto any other interested parties.

PACANZ Life Members appointed

Deanna Watson and Fay Hay were both presented with Life Membership of PACANZ at the recent Annual General Meeting in Palmerston North. They have both been on the Board for more than 10 years and their Life Membership status was presented in recognition of this generous contribution of both their time and knowledge.

Pictured is Vice-President and Northern North Island rep Bronwyn Jensen (left) presenting certificates and gifts to Deanna Watson of Ashburton (centre) and Fay Hay of Gisborne (right)



2014 Entry Fees and Apra Levies

The set format, for a Society to support PACANZ via the payment of a small part of their competition entry fees, has been working well. Slight increases over the years have managed to maintain minimum impact on the Societies and their competitors, while still assisting financially in the day to day running of PACANZ and the National Young Performer Awards.

The Apra levy that PACANZ collected from Societies on behalf of APRA, was as a result of PACANZ negotiating a 'special rate' for its member societies. This "special rate" also allowed societies to waive the usual compliance required, in terms of the volumes of APRA paperwork regarding recorded and live music for performance. The calculation used was a percentage of door takings, which for 2013 was 1.15%. Over the past 12 months, more and more Societies have been waiving their door fee i.e. no longer have a volunteer on the door and either do not charge a door fee at all, or include it in their other fees for competitors. This has resulted in not all societies paying the 1.15% negotiated with APRA and therefore not being covered by the PACANZ collective agreement.

The Entry fee portion paid to PACANZ was also due for an increase and when this issue was discussed at the 2013 AGM, the following was decided on by the meeting, as the most practical way to collect the Apra Levies, which ensures that all member societies are covered for use of music.

In 2014 the Entry fee paid to PACANZ will include a portion to be paid to APRA and will be:

Modern Jazz, Ballet, Tap, Instrumental and Piano - 65c for every item entered in any of the Competitions for these art forms, held by the Society during the year

Highland and Speech & Drama- 60c for every item entered in any of the Competitions for these art forms, held by the Society during the year.

Societies were reminded that this fee is applicable to ALL entries in ALL competitions held and that they should send in a copy of their programme with their payment as part of the audit trail. New forms will be sent out in the new year for 2014 Competitions.

I would like to wish societies, teachers, parents, competitors all the best for their competition year. A big thanks for all the support and the hard work going on behind the scenes.

Nikki Cunningham, Executive Officer

National Young Performer Awards Invercargill

11/13 October 2013

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