



# LOBETHAL HARMONY CLUB

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### Mt Barker celebrates its



Mt Barker Show Committee secretary Sally Woodward and member Bruce Kelly will help make history next month as they mark the 150th show.

"I would say they were averaging anything between 5000 and 6000 attendees back then, one year they had between 8000 and 9000," he said. In 1900, the first of two members grandstands were built to accommodate the rise in attendance,

seating 500 people, and a larger grandstand built later on seated an additional 700 people. Mr Kelly said a pavilion was also constructed at the showgrounds to house indoor exhibitions. "The pavilion was where the (Adelaide Hills Recreation Centre) is now," he said. "Horse would sit in the grandstand and watch demonstrations, like horses in action."

**Dairy**  
Despite being popular in the 1890s and early 1900s, over time interest in the show slowly deteriorated, and it eventually went into recess in 1968. Two years before the show began its 25 year hiatus, the Cream Bowl Festival was introduced to promote dairy products in the region. The name came from the district's prominence in the dairy industry, which flourished because of the discovery of the subterranean river in 1888. The closer improved soil, allowing farmers to transform arid and depleted farmland into productive pastures. The Cream Bowl Festival was held in the 1960s before being revived in 1968 for a one-off event organised by the Mt Barker Biocommunity Committee. The success of the festival re-ignited interest in the show, and it too was revived in 1982 by the Mt Barker Show Society. Since then it has been held annually, except for in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid-19, and this year marks the 150th Mt Barker Show. This weekend the showgrounds will come alive with exhibitions, competitions and entertainment kicking off on March 25 and continuing with horses in action at the polo grounds on March 26. For more information, or to book your ticket contact 0649 197 730.

**Concert Planning meeting.....Could the Concert Planning committee meet on Tuesday 18th April at 6:15pm to discuss the 2024 Concert Program. Information will be prepared for committee members before the meeting. Thank you.**

**Ideas are wanted for how we can celebrate our 145th Anniversary. Please HELP.**

**Thank you..... Stephen, who is always thinking, and he has thought that we should prepare a BADGE that we could wear as our way of remembering the 145th Anniversary. The design's of the Badge are being prepared and we will share these with you.**

**Yes!!!! The photo and article that appeared in the "Courier" on Wednesday March 22nd was Bruce Kelly looking smart with his hat. Well done Bruce.**

**What other Club's are doing.....The Hills Choral Society**  
The Hills Choral Society was finally able to present our concert of "Great Movie Themes" which we had been rehearsing for over a year, due to Covid restrictions. This concert was presented in October, our usual concert month, and was followed by another performance of the concert repertoire in November, when Hills Choral Society was invited to perform at Malvern Uniting Church, as a part of their Mostly Music series, held on Sunday of each month. With the repertoire including such works as Ennio Morricone's "The Mission", the James Bond theme, Mozart's "Lacrimosa" and Monty Python's "always look on the Bright Side of Life", we were happy to perform the concert again. In December, we performed a Christmas concert to a small, but enthusiastic audience. Covid anxiety kept our audience numbers (and choir size) down, but we were just happy to perform, so the audience size didn't matter. We are preparing for our May concert, where we will present a programme "Fit for a King" in honour of the upcoming coronation. Naturally, we will be singing "Zakok the Priest", although my suggestion that we should sing "I just Can't Wait to be King" from the "Lion King" was not a goer.  
**The Hills Choral Society report.**

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Welcome again

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**Fund Raising committee....** Last Tuesday we discussed the Movie Night, the Raffle, the Auction, and Welcoming New members. Movie Night is planned for Friday 14th July beginning at 6:30pm. The film we have planned for will be a choice of Fisherman's Friend 2, or Mr Holland's Opus or a suggestion from Club Members. The Raffle will still have the items donated by businesses and the suggestion has been given where Club Members can contribute by donating items such as Bottles of Wine or grocery items that can be included in 4 baskets (similar to last year). We also discussed the Auction where we will still include this, however we will need assistance in having a numbering system for the items being auctioned which the winner takes to the table to pay for the item. We need to improve our system for the Auction. We as a committee agreed we should hold a function to welcome our New Members. A suggestion was to hold a BBQ at Wittwer's, however this was not convenient so we have now opted for Sunday April 16th 12:30pm at Great Eastern Hotel.

**Scholarship report....** . The "Zoom " meeting with the schools to advertise this event, was held on Monday 3rd April where Heads of Music could ask questions on when and how to apply for the Scholarships. Thanks to Peter Dickinson we had several interested in the Zoom meeting and it is worthwhile to continue with the interaction we are having. The dates when the Application forms are to be returned is Friday 7th July, and the auditions are Vocal on 15th August and Instrumental on 22nd August if you know of anyone interested please encourage them to apply. All the information is on our website thanks to Colin. Website is [www.lobethalharmonyclub.com.au](http://www.lobethalharmonyclub.com.au) and simply "click on" Scholarships to find out all the information. Thank you.

#### **Coffee & Soup Roster....**

Thank you for your support last week we raised \$39.00. making a TOTAL for this year \$178.80 THANK YOU. "Chefs" for TONIGHT 4th April are Chris Browning and Graham Simmons. The FIRST SOUP NIGHT is to be held on Tuesday 18th April with the "Chefs" being S Wilson, and P Hardy. Thank you for your help.

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**Birdwood concert..**Eliza the concert organiser for the Birdwood concert has agreed with the shift to hold the concert on Sunday June 25th. More information will be shared with you early in June.

Stephen has a classic for the 145th named "centesimus quadragesimus quintus annus" Thank you Stephen.

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