

Magical Music Moments

Alchemy Chorus COVID Newsletter # 8

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From the Committee

Welcome to our eighth edition of Magical Musical Moments – our ‘virtual’ weekly get together.

Are you seeing a few people again?

Magical Music Moments in Autumn

It would be another full-house concert this coming Saturday 16 May **but.....** we’ll have to re-live these two magical moments:

19 May 2018 *The Magic of Music*



Click on a bit of magic when [George Dobbin](#) sang

And **13 April 2019** it was

[We Shall Overcome](#)

Click on the hyperlink above and join Pete Seeger in a song for these times.



Spotlight on Alchemy Chorus

‘Alchemy Chorus hits right note’

Our Conductor has a recently- published article. Here’s a snippet:

‘We are certainly not performance-driven to the point where we lose sight of the benefits of a good old sing. We don’t learn new songs just for a concert, but rather draw on songs that we all know well from our weekly repertoire.

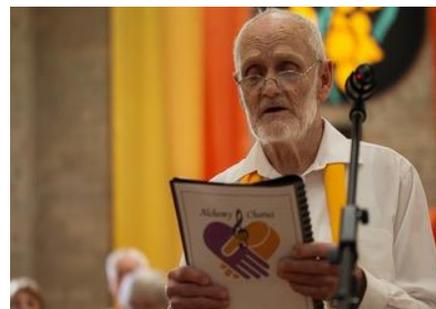
The success of our concerts is a result more of what songs we sing and how enthusiastically we sing them, than the choral quality’.

The article was first published in the ***Australian Journal of Dementia Care***

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We won’t forget the choral quality of Colin with *Somewhere*. Sing again with [Matt Monro](#)



From the Linen Cupboard

No wonder Jean, the Kitchen Queen has time to sing with a virtual choir of 3000. She's not tired out from eating: 'extra-long breakfast turns into morning tea, then lunch'...And she has trained her subjects to get through all the domestic duties: cleaning cupboards, hanging washing out, piano practice, unpacking shopping, cleaning the bin, computer work.' So exhausting!

Jean Widdowson



Nothing like the life of (click the link)
[Grizabella](#)

Time Travel with Tom

This pic from the time capsule will get your memories working.



Click on a real [golden oldie](#) on this tape.

Kerrie's Kwiz

The topic for this first quiz is, you guessed it, MUSIC. First, try to answer the questions without reference to other sources but if any elude you – ask the kids or Dr Google or whoever/whatever your favourite source may be. **Answers in next MMM.**

1. Who played the main leads in Hello Dolly, the film of 1969. (if you would like to sing along with our number 23, go to this hyperlink: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mcbw0GETjZw>)
2. *Four weddings and a funeral* made which song a No. 1?
3. Who released the album *Fever* in 2001?
4. Who *Just called to say I love you* in 1984?
5. Which singer recorded the soundtrack to *When Harry met Sally*?

6. Who was the male lead actor who performed with Joan Fontaine and Dorothy Dandridge in 1957 movie *Island in the Sun*. To sing our number 27 with Harry Belafonte go to:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjPNDEr_ZpE

7. Which clarinetist lived from 1909 to 1986 and had his “Story” told in a 1955 film?

8. In 1961 what song, from ‘*Breakfast at Tiffany’s*’ won an Academy Award for Best Original Song it in the movie? It is number 51 in our song book and you can sing it along with Andy Williams at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L_jgIezosVA&feature=emb_rel_err

9. In which group did Angus Young wear short trousers?

10. Ian Gillan and David Coverdale sang for which group?

Gloves on in the kitchen

Glorious Autumn with slow -cooked quinces.

Grab the meat cleaver and chop several quinces; remove pips. Put into baking dish with any of your favourite spices: cloves, cinnamon, cardamom.

Drizzle with honey and dot with some knobs of butter and a bit of water. Bake for as long as you like...anywhere from 3 to 8 hours in a slow oven.

Alternatively, do the same overnight in the slow-cooker. Serve warm with cream or custard or a cheese or whatever.

Can't beat the colour of this comfort food.

Adapted from *Stephanie Alexander*.



Guess who?

Did you know that the owner of the “unpalatable knees” referred to in the *Tale of Nine Pities* in our last edition is a long- time member of Alchemy? Can you guess who without asking our blokes to expose their knobbly bits?

We'll be back!

Send your stories, pics, jokes etc to:
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