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Dates to note

Limited Edition in Sunday Serenade Sun 29 Nov

Welcome to Waverley Homestead News for October 2015

For information about STARS and its events, or to volunteer to help:

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"Simply the Henbest" featuring Sidonie Henbest with accompanist Matthew Carey gave a fabulous performance for the large audience at the Show Hall on Saturday 5 September. This show was part of the STARSTRUCK anniversary celebration together with Co-operas "Magic Flute" and Adelaide Symphony Orchestra "A Sparkling Symphony".

Waverley Homestead is the usual venue for Sidonie but due to popular demand, STARS moved the function to the Show Hall and to assist in the production of the Cabaret, the Show Hall committee installed special lighting and provided a technician to run the show together with Wayne Anthony.

The Hall is owned by the community so it was a great opportunity to support the people behind the improvements that are continuing at Recreation Park and Show Hall i.e. the new slate roof, sound and lighting. The venue has a lovely feel and we were able to seat over 100 people at tables enjoying the byo food and Hugh Hamilton Wines, sponsors of STARSTRUCK year. The audience was very appreciative and Sidonie and Matthew loved the venue. The STARS lottery was drawn on the night and the generous audience boosted sales, many of the prizes were won by people present. Thank you to all of the donors of the prizes, some of whom were there to present them on the night.



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“Sunday Serenade”

**Celebrate the end of the Starstruck year with STARS
and
Acapella Group Limited Edition
In
“Sunday Serenade”**



**Sunday 29 November at 2.30 pm
Waverley Homestead
and after the concert outside overlooking the golf course**

**Tickets \$25.00 which includes refreshments and glass of bubbles
Bar available Bookings 8596 4182**

**This delightful group of young people have been featured at Waverley Homestead on a couple of occasions and are keen to celebrate the year with us.
The afternoon will be the last event for the STARS year and as always will feature a couple of surprises for you.**

A. S. O. Concert, “A Sparkling Symphony”

A Sparkling Symphony in the Vale featuring The Adelaide Symphony Orchestra was the result of quite a few years preparation for the committee and included the assistance of previous STARS member Elizabeth Boydell who collated information for our submission to the Onkaparinga Council to present a community concert a couple of years earlier. There was a huge amount of work for herself and others and ultimately it became too difficult to apply for a grant so we cancelled the visit.

Late last year I approached the ASO and they gave us the one date that was available for the whole of 2015 and that was October 3. We decided to proceed with the concert and hope that we would indeed be successful in getting the large audience to pay for the cost. The Adelaide Symphony Orchestra were very happy with our meetings and we finally signed a contract that quoted an affordable cost. It transpires that ASO were assisted by their sponsor Santos to offer us a concert at a reasonable cost. Then Tatachilla Lutheran College were able to offer us the space and use of their lighting, staging and expertise free of charge. Without this assistance, we were looking at more funds.

Our small subcommittee commenced the advertising programme and with the assistance of Hugh Hamilton Wines and their websites as well as good friends who linked our concert with their social media we were well covered both in the city and the Fleurieu.

Everyone worked together to ensure that the event was going to be memorable, professional and successful.

The soloist Lucinda Moon, conductor Luke Dollman and Host Julie Howard combined to present a magical concert to a large audience that surpassed all expectations.

The 50 piece orchestra consisting of lovely young people gathered in the afternoon ready for the practice and Greg John was able to bring some music students and their families to watch the rehearsal. Then it was time to feed the orchestra and helpers. Chinois catering with Rachel and Wendy were a most professional pair who quietly and graciously prepared the best smorgasbord that they had seen (better than the Barossa) and gave big thankyou to us all. The VIP food was outstanding and any left-over was shared by the helpers at the end.

There have been some wonderful letters of thanks, phone calls and messages and the hard work has been worth the efforts of all involved. Thanks have been given to everyone who made the concert a success.

The future for STARS will include another concert planned for 2017 – the season is already booked for 2016.

For the programme and photos see www.stars.org.au



Lucinda Moon

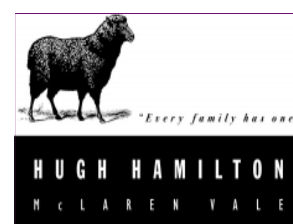


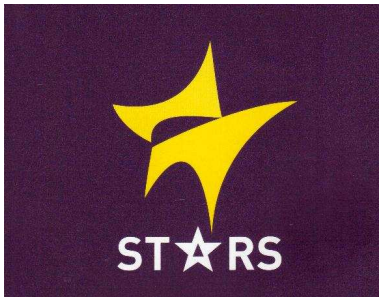
Luke Dollman

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STARS Mission

To foster a vital and diverse arts culture in the southern region by

- * **Advocating for the arts**
- * **Bringing in events**
- * **Creating strategic partnerships to strengthen the arts community**
- * **Developing artistic skills**
- * **Providing access to the arts**

Why not become a member of STARS and take advantage of special prices and advance notices of future attractions.

You could also contribute to the arts in the area by volunteering to help STARS run events. We are always looking for new members.

If you would like to find out more about the group please phone 8596 4182

I would like to thank Brian Reader for assisting me with the newsletter over the last 8 years and before that when he assisted Olive and her committee with this. Brian has been effectively formulating the newsletter for 20 years and beyond. Happy 20th Anniversary Brian and many thanks



STARS Committee and Helpers at the ASO Concert

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