

the Sing Out



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IES News

You'll be pleased to know, Dale Syverson, Peggy Gram and Judy Pozgay have been selected as the faculty for IES Down Under – more officially known as the **Pacific Rim IES Global 'Personal Performance Power – The Power in You!'**. We could not have asked for better tutors and as the promo says it will be "a life-changing experience for you." IES Global was introduced to bring the mountain to Mohammed, as normally to get such education we have had to travel half way round the world. Instead of an international airfare to the US you only need to get yourself to Auckland's Sky City! All IES Globals, as were previous IES programmes, are organised by our SAI Headquarters staff. Early Bird registrations for Pacific Rim (4 months before the event) will save \$100 and go in the draw for a complimentary registration.

At the January Meeting of the RMT it was decided that a subsidy of \$20 per financial member to each chorus would be made. This subsidy to be taken from the Education \$35 levy. The remaining \$15 will be put aside to subsidise next year's Convention classes. The furbishing of receipts for registration and proof of attendance at the event will be required before any payment is made. As well your RMT is looking into applying for a Regional grant. This does not preclude individual choruses applying for grants.

Regional Management Team Meeting Jan 2010

International has reappointed Melody Lowe as the Region's Education Coordinator - Congratulations Melody.

Calendar of Events - This is on the website but we remind all members that a calendar on Events is only as good as the ongoing and current information placed on it. It is there for you to place any dates and times of events happening in your area.

Education: International Coaches Bookings - The Education Coordinator discussed the need for individual chorus contracts with coaches brought out by the RMT to be negotiated through the RMT. Coaches for IES are responsibility of International.

Regional Elections for 2011 - Positions up for election are Directors Coordinator, Events Coordinator and Finance Coordinator. The Nominating Committee is to be finalised by this June. Anyone interested or if you want to find out more contact Communications Coordinator Jan Edgar at sweetadsnz@gmail.com. **Note the change of email address for the Communication Coordinator. Minutes will be on the website in the members area shortly.**

Convention – 'Sing Up Storm!' – Wellington 2010

If you are intending to compete as a chorus or quartet please make sure you allow plenty of time for your registrations to get to International. Quartets March 1st and Choruses March 2nd. A separate attachment re RAMM will be coming out shortly to choruses. Remember that chorus items for discussion must be sent to sweetadsnz@gmail.com 42 days prior i.e. by 21 March 2010. This year there will be time set aside on the Sunday at Convention separate to RAMM for Forum groups to meet with RMT coordinators.

DIRECTORS DAY – from Traci Voss DC:

All frontline directors will be contacted about a planned day workshop August 14 2010 with International coach Lea Beverley who will be in NZ at that time. Topics will include making suitable music choices.

Spirit of Sweet Adeline Award - A reminder to all members that nominations for this award must be sent to Membership Coordinator, Pam Hewett, pambrian@xtra.co.nz by 31 March 2010.

Service to Young Women in Harmony Award - It is time to consider nominating a person who makes a significant contribution to Young Women in Harmony activities. You can fill in the form on the website and either post, fax or email it to our Education Coordinator, Melody Lowe by 31 March 2010. Neither the recipient nor the person making the nomination need to be members of Sweet Adelines International, so do draw this award to the attention of people taking part in the programme. The award will be presented at our 2010 convention and the person also recognised at the YSIH nationals in August. This will take place in Hamilton 12-13 August this year.

Reminders

Next ADDALINE - News, articles etc for the next Addaline must be in by 26 Feb 2010. We would like to feature 15 articles about Xmas around our choruses so get your thinking caps on.

Facebook - Have you logged on to Facebook and checked out the Sweet Adelines NZ page yet?

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