

# North Queensland Recorder Society



## Newsletter, Christmas 2014

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### Preamble

As usual, your newsletter editor has left it to the last minute, well last week, to advise you of the next event, Busking at Cotters Market on Sunday 7 December. He hopes you use [the website](#) to keep up to date with our plans :-)

### Busking

As usual we are busking at Cotters Market in support of a timely cause, on Sunday 7 December from 9am to 12 midday. Rotary have not yet advised a location, so keep an eye on the [website](#). The committee unanimously agreed on Médecins Sans Frontières Australia - Doctors Without Borders - to support them in the fight against Ebola in west Africa. [<http://www.msf.org.au>]

We are having a carol rehearsal at Valerie's Place, 9/22 Mitchell St, North Ward, on the day before - Saturday 6 December 10am -12 midday - to polish our caroling skills and sound our best in public. See [details on the website](#).

### Recent Activities



Play Day 2 Nov 2014

We had our last Play Day of 2014 on Sunday 2 November at St Joseph's School. Our leader was Heather with the theme of 'Folksongs, Some Favourites and Some New'.

Folksongs and folk music such as dances have inspired much orchestral music over the centuries and it is lovely to go back to the original music. It was a great Play Day, thank you Heather. The 'Black Box' concert was popular too, so keep those pieces coming for future Play Days.

### **2014 Theodore Kuchar Scholarship**

Congratulations to Ingrid Miller (cello) from Pimlico State High School who has won this year's Townsville City Council & AFCM Theodore Kuchar Scholarship worth \$4000. The panel of judges were again thrilled with the high standard as well as the musical talents and aspirations of the Townsville high school students: [AFCM Newsletter August 2014](#).



Ingrid, a former student of Malcolm Tattersall's, has been a recorder player with the society and competed on recorder last year in the Eisteddfod.

### **Plans for 2015**

Play Days are scheduled for Sunday 1 March and Sunday 17 May 2015. See the [Activities Page](#) on the NQRS website for details. We are delighted to welcome Hans-Dieter Michatz as lead tutor for the Weekend Workshop in August 2015. This will take place on the first or second weekend of the month (1-2 or 8-9 Aug 2015) depending on when the AFCM schedules the Family Concert, with which we try to avoid a clash.

### **New Treasurer**

Nicky Brandi, a qualified accountant and newish member of the society, has agreed to become our treasurer, or strictly acting treasurer until approved at the AGM. We are delighted to have a professional in the job to help us ease the pain of keeping our accounts up to date and in order.

## Website Updates

There has been recent progress in transferring material from Malcolm Tattersall's website to the NQRS website. This comprises [all the newsletters as pdfs dating back to early 2005](#), and the contents of the [Resources and Links Page](#). If you can think of other material that should be included you can let the website editor know using the general inquiries email: [info@nqrs.org.au](mailto:info@nqrs.org.au)

## The Australian Recorder Project

Alana Blackburn has sent us a poster about the opening concert at the Orpheus Recorder Boutique 2015 at PLC Armidale, NSW on 3 January 2015. Here is a reduced image of the poster.



You can download a full-size poster [here](#).

## Contacts and Links

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