



Special Opera edition



Stuart Haycock- Amy Radford – Sharolyn Kimmorley – Catherine Bouchier – Adam Player – Valda Wilson.

What a great success Opera in the Church was this year.

Friday night was a sell out with 120 people attending, and Saturday night 90 attending which was an excellent result. Congratulations to Brian and Susan Dixon and all those who helped make it the success it was. It certainly brings a little culture to Gloucester, plus a lot of fun, and a little pain with the horse riding. Talking of horse riding I believe that Ron West was the outstanding horseman of the day. I don't know what you are going to do when you get old Ron.



A section of the crowd on Saturday night.

Their selection of works was very extensive, including Mozart (of course), Bizet, Handel, Donizetti, Verdi, Wagner, Puccini. And on the lighter side Rogers and Hammerstein, Lehar, Gershwin, Noel Coward, Britten, G and S, Sondheim. This was a delightful mixture, bringing back a lot of old memories especially when Stuart Haycock sang "The foggy Dew". (remember that Linnie)

I have just received some more information on all those who helped put the show on the road. Lorna with tickets; Jim & Sue de Silva with the programmes; Aznive, Ron & Marve in helping to get the hall set up; Denver & Cathy, Kay and Graham, Ric & Christine and Ron & Marve with hosting the students and Sharolyn; Jill Carson and her helpers from the Uniting Church ladies for the suppers at interval; Cathy & Denver, Pat & Bill with hosting the after show suppers; and all the Rotarians who helped out on the night and those who supported the venture.

A special mention must be made of Sharolyn Kimmorley the accompanist on piano, who has been to all the Operas in the Church we have held at Gloucester, and is the mother hen of the young singers. She has held many senior positions with, Opera Australia, The Sydney Conservatorium, State Opera of South Australia. I feel we are so fortunate to have a person of that caliber visit Gloucester.



Goodbye from your editor for President Peters year.

I did not have room in my bulletin for the 5th June to say it would be my last for President Pete's year, however thank you for putting up with me, and especially my insistence for producing the bulletin electronically. Possibly the biggest saving for me is not having to send it off to be printed, then picking it up, folding and collating, and then remembering to bring it in on a meeting night. Rod Menzel has spent days setting up our website, and coaching your editor on how to use it, and Lorna who has great computer skills we are so lucky to have people of with these skills in our Club, thank you Rod and Lorna. It usually takes me about four hours a week to do a bulletin which I thoroughly enjoy doing, especially when I can do a little stirring, (there is one club in our district that charges \$1 for a hard copy) however at no time is any malice intended.

See you in President Jim's year

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