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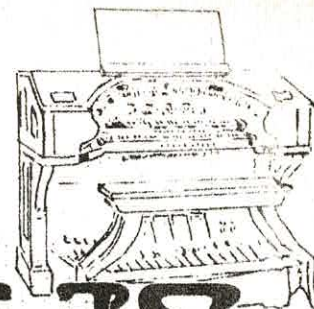
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"T.O.S.A. DIARY"

November 30th, Wednesday, 8.00p.m.

Don't forget the Annual General Meeting on this night in the Marrickville Town Hall.

Annual Election of Executive and Committee:

The nomination and election of Executive and Committee at present being conducted has been declared null and void for the following reasons:

- a) There is no provision in the by-laws for conducting a postal ballot.
- b) Due to some members nominating for more than one position many voters would not be able to exercise their full voting rights. This is because if a member is elected as a member of the executive then any votes cast for that member in any other position would not be counted and so the voter would not have been able to cast his full quota of valid votes.
- c) Due to the closing of nominations being moved from October 15th to September 15th the by-law has been breached and so the nominations are invalid. (Section 16a states "Nominations to close six weeks before the Annual Meeting").

The Executive and Committee apologise for any inconvenience to those who may have already voted.

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Other business to be discussed.

1. The Executive and Committee exercising it's authority under by-law 25 proposes an additional by-law, to be known as 16c, to allow postal voting to financial members, such vote to be received as stipulated on the ballot paper.

2. Members will be asked to consider and decide on-

- a) the desirability of a candidate nominating for more than one position
- b) if multiple nomination is accepted, then your preference for separate officers to be indicated.

3. Notice of Motion, as publicised in August issue of T.O.S.A. News,

That by-law 26, paragraph 2 be amended as from the words 'extraordinary meeting' to read -

The decision to wind up the activities and affairs of the Society can only be made by at least two thirds (2/3) of the members present and entitled to vote at such an Extraordinary Meeting. In the event of a decision to wind up the Society all monies property and organs excluding the ex Prince Edward Organ be sold and such monies be divided among members remaining in the Society at that date. The ex Prince Edward Organ be handed over to the Municipality where it is installed for use by residents of that Municipality

4. Notice of Motion, as publicised in the September issue of T.O.S.A. News,

That by-law No. 9 be amended to read (from the beginning)

The Executive of the Society shall consist of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Two Vice-Presidents and these shall have full voting powers with the exception of the President who shall only have a casting vote. The remainder of the by-law from the paragraph "The Executive, subject to any directions" etc. will remain unaltered.

Subject to the length of the meeting it is hoped to regale you with selections played on our WurliTzer Organ.

December 11th. Sunday, 2.30p.m.

This is our last free concert of the year at the Marrickville Town Hall.

These concerts are held in conjunction with the Marrickville Municipal Council and this one features two artists who are appearing for the first time with us. Margaret Hall is Secretary of the Miranda Chapter of the Young Organists Association and is presently the Resident Organist at the Mecca Theatre, Kogarah. She has been decorated by the Y.O.A. for concert performances and her appearance at this concert will 'notch-up' quite a few points for her next decoration, the 'Command' medal. We wish you well, Margaret.

Appearing with her at this concert will be young organist - Joe Lefcovitch. Joe is Principal and teacher at the Campbelltown School of Music, an organisation he has built up from scratch so that he now has a respectable group of students attending which testifies to the work he has put into it. He was recently associated with the Youth Rostrum Concert at Campbelltown at which one of his pupils appeared. We look forward to hearing from him on this occasion. This should be an interesting programme for our members. Roll up and enjoy it.

FOR SALE.

For Sale: Yamaha organ ELOAR. 2 x 61 note manuals, 25 note pedal board, three pre-sets. 'Phone 520 0088, J. Sweetman, 2 Banbal Rd, Engadine 2233.

For Sale: A Clarinet stop from an Aeolian Pipe Organ, perfect condition, voiced for 6" wind pressure. Ring - Alan Tranter, 43 0488, extension 374 for further information. Price \$200.00

NEW MEMBERS.

At our last committee meeting the following new members were admitted: Joan White (Campbelltown), Clive Moorhead (Bardon, Q.), Mr & Mrs A. Gunn (Cronulla), Mr & Mrs George and Marie Penfold (Caringbah), Mr & Mrs (Assoc.) Gliddon (Epping). We do extend a warm welcome to all these new friends and we do hope and indeed, want to see you at our various functions. Please make yourselves known to us at our next meeting so that we can extend our circle of friends.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Friends of Max Slender will be glad to know that he is now out of hospital and is convalescing at his home under the watchful eye of Mrs Slender. We look forward to seeing you soon fully restored to health and able to be present at some of our functions. 'Phone 59 1750 for progress reports.

I am happy to tell you that our Practise Convenor, Chris Palmer now has his foot in full use and is pedalling away like mad. Dare I mention that he has sold his old mower and has purchased a new one which he says is much safer to use.

It was with a sense of personal loss that I heard of the death of Eric Mirovitch. He died on Thursday, 10th November. When I joined the Society we had a very active technical group and I well remember at the meetings which often took place at member Arthur Springs home that Eric was a mine of information to those of us who were not well up in the electronics world. His style of imparting information was such that even the most perplexing problems (to us) became miraculously easy to understand. He joined Telecom (then the P.M.G.) after a period in the Forces and was still with them when he died. He was in the Radio Branch. He was an organist of some merit and had helped to modify organs for special applications. His death is a great loss to the Society. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs Mirovitch and the members of her family.

SEVENTH NATIONAL T.O.S.A. CONVENTION - ADELAIDE - EASTER 1978.

If you have not already booked in for this Convention (for details see T.O.S.A. News, September Issue) we have attached a copy of the booking slip at the end of this issue for your use.

MORE PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

I am happy to be able to tell you that our Secretary, Kevin Eadie, who was admitted to Sydney Hospital Last Tuesday for an operation is as they say, "Making satisfactory Progress" He will probably be there for another week. Visiting hours are from 8.00a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3.00p.m. to 8.00p.m.. Hope to see you soon, Kevin.

APPLICATION FORM FOR EASTER CONVENTION 1978.

The Convention Committee,  
C/- 47 Horbury Street,  
Sans Souci, 2219.

Dear Sir,

I/We wish to take part in the Seventh National Theatre Organ Society Convention Excursion to Adelaide in 1978 and enclose a deposit equivalent to \$20.00 per person. I/We understand that the balance will be payable by 10th February, 1978 and that any monies paid are fully refundable in the event of cancellation up to 24th February, 1978.

I/We will require:-

- Travel. (a) Forward and Return Flights with the group flight booking detailed OR  
(b) Forward at .....a.m./p.m. on .....1978  
Return at .....a.m./p.m. on .....1978 OR  
(c) Will be making own way to and from Adelaide.

Accommodation:-

- (a) ..... Sgl rms.....Dbl/Twin Rms.....Triple Rms,  
(b) If extra nights required show arrival and departure dates at Motel.  
Arrival.....am/pm. Departure.....am/pm.  
OR (c) Accommodation will not be required.

Special Requirements: .....

Names: 1..... 2.....  
3..... 4.....

Address: .....  
..... Postcode.

Telephone No.....(after hours);.....Bus. Hrs.

My/Our Cheque/Money Order/Postal Note for total deposits of  
\$..... is enclosed.

Signature: .....