

Merry Muse 2024-25

Merry Muse area of responsibility – goals and objectives

Goals and Objectives: To provide a welcoming space for folk and acoustic live music.

The office bearers and membership of Merry Muse sub-group

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PA Coordinator Pierre Sibilant, other sound Bob Jenkins, Simon Fisher

Raffles Tina Lynam

Publicity Cassidy Buxton, Simone Dawson

Door Tina Lynam and Shona Lee

MCs Eileen Newmarch Shona Lee

This financial year the Merry Muse ran 11 shows. In addition to our regular format of a two hour blackboard and 45 minute feature act, we have started experimenting with a range of formats – we had George Mann do two sets, Enda Kenny two sets to a sold out show, a Women of Song concert which featured a number of female singer songwriters from Canberra, a double header with Daisy Chain and Humbug and local act Strathmannan did a double set. With the new format we are now taking bookings for bigger shows with Try booking and using a Square to accept payments at the door. A summary of income and expenses for the year is attached.

The Merry Muse had a very successful year in 2024-25. Attendance has increased and is now averaging 54 people per show.

The Merry Muse had a net profit of \$444.80 after purchasing some Mic and Music stands for \$260.

In the coming year we will continue the experiment with different formats. We also intend to take the Merry Muse to Majors Creek Music Festival in November

A vote of thanks goes to all those who volunteer to operate the Merry Muse, especially Pierre Sibilant, Bob Jenkins and Simon Fisher (a welcome addition) for their work on sound and Tina Lynam and Shona Lee for their work on the door and Tina for organising the raffle and Cassidy Buxton and Simone Dawson for their work on updating the web and Facebook and doing publicity and other assistance for regular shows. Cassidy has now stepped back but continues to provide assistance with the technical details of Try Booking and the website.

Eileen Newmarch

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Shows

Door takings 11 Shows 5462.00

Raffles 1335.00

Total Income 6797.00

Expenditure

Sound

Performers 6040.00

MM Expenses 52.20

Total Expenses 6092.20

Net Income 704.80

Net Income Banked 704.80

Float In 400

Income in year 704.80

Net Banking in Year 704.80

Float out 400.00

Asset Purchase Mic Stands and Music Stands		\$260
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Net Surplus \$444.80

Average Attendance 53.7