



OPERA SOCIETY  
Newsletter

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**FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Time to welcome Spring, prepare for the next half of the 2018 Opera Season and enjoy our Spring Luncheon on Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup>. We are being welcomed at The Kooyong Tennis Club which is a beautiful setting and we appreciate our invitation to enjoy this special venue. There is good public transport access with little walking and off road parking as shown on the reverse of this Newsletter. We will be entertained by a most delightful soprano Alexandra Ioan who earlier was second to Daniel Carison in the German Australian Scholarship Award. Her accompanist is Rhodri Clarke who has played for us before as he is a Melba Alumni. There will be an opportunity to bid on a silent auction for A reserve tickets to "Evita" including interval drinks and a programme.

Have you booked for the next two dress rehearsals? We can now offer some tickets for family and friends for Metamorphosis on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Malthouse and La Boheme on November 1<sup>st</sup> at the State Theatre. Both of these performances start at 6.00 pm. At this late stage we cannot guarantee seats other than Balcony and if you need additional dress rehearsal vouchers these are available if you ring the office on weekdays between 10.30 am and 1.30 pm.

We are negotiating an Insight for Metamorphosis to be taken by the director Tama Matheson, a most interesting, articulate and entertaining young man. Metamorphosis, although an unknown opera to the majority of our Members, is a chance to widen our horizons and increase our knowledge of opera. This opportunity to have a preview of this opera will give you a better understanding of the work. Details of the Insight when finalised will be sent to Members by email. Those Members without email who are interested please telephone the office and register and we will then contact you by post.

Following our Annual General Meeting in May 2018 we have welcomed four new members to our monthly Committee Meetings. Karl Lindberg, Merran Samuel, Peter O'Donnell and Sandra Rogerson who are already starting to make a contribution to the operation of the Society. We have also said farewell to two of our long standing and very valued Committee Members, Ivor Buxton and John Salter, both of whom have made significant contributions to the Society over many years. Fortunately Ivor Buxton has agreed to still volunteer in the office on alternative Mondays and new Committee Member Karl Lindberg will be the new voice in the office on the other Mondays.

We often need more volunteers to help with mail-outs or to work in the office or to man the Opera Society table at the State Theatre before each performance by Opera Australia. So if you have spare time and would like to help just ring the office and leave your name and telephone number and I will make contact with you.

Looking forward, as the year is flying past, don't forget to put Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup> in your diary as it is the date for our Christmas lunch at The Windsor which is always a very special way to end the year.

Valma Allaway  
PRESIDENT





## **KLTC Carparking and Public Transport Information**

Please find attached some information that will assist you and your guests when visiting Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

Carparking within the club grounds is strictly for Kooyong Members only.

Guest carparking is available across the road from the Kooyong Stadium in the Sir Zelman Cowen Park. The carpark is located on the south side of the undercroft bridge. There is no fee or time restrictions to park in this carpark. Please refer to the map below for assistance.

### **Train**

Kooyong is conveniently located next to Kooyong Train Station on the Glen Waverley line

### **Tram**

Kooyong is located at stop number 66 on tram route number 16.

The tram stop is located on Glenferrie Road



## LUNCH AT KOoyong TENNIS CLUB

The address and travel arrangements are on the back of the August 2018 Newsletter

Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 12.00 noon for 12.30 pm

We do hope you will join us for our Spring lunch when we will be entertained by soprano Alexandra Ioan who will be accompanied by Rhodri Clarke.

Please book by Tuesday September 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 to assist with final numbers.

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### BOOKING FORM – KOoyong TENNIS CLUB

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$100.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booking in the name of.....

My guests are.....

I would like to be seated with.....

Special dietary requirements.....

Address.....

Postcode.....

Telephone No:.....

I enclose my cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made out to **Opera Society Inc.**

**OR**

Charge my  Mastercard  Visa Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card No: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please send booking form with payment to: **Opera Society Inc., P O Box 389, South Melbourne 3205. No return envelope is required as tickets will not be issued for the lunch as there will be a guest list at the door.**