



## Official Newsletter of the Marching Koalas

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## Gum Notes ~ 11 October 2016



**Centennial Coal**



**BISHOP COLLINS**  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

**Klosters**

Welcome to your monthly Gum Notes.

### End of Year Celebrations:

Lets celebrate a fantastic year together on Tuesday 29th November. Hosting us this year will be the Waterboard Bowling Club at 2 Compton Street North Lambton from 6pm til 9pm. Cost of the meal is \$22 per person and you can hand payment to Jo-Anne O'Brien at practice or deposit into the following bank account:

Account Name - Marching Koalas Supporters  
BSB - 650 000  
Account - 961 908 800

### Practice Location:

We're staying at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus Music Room at least until Tuesday 22nd November. Keep an eye on your Gum Notes for the location of rehearsals after that date.

### Uniform Shop open Tues 18th October:

If you need anything for your uniform, please come to the uniform shop at Waratah West Public School. Opening hours are 5pm to 7pm.

### Supporters Meeting:

Tuesday 25th October at 6:30pm Callaghan College Wallsend Campus Music Room.

### Directors' News:

Proposal of a Tour - 2018

A survey was distributed on Team App relating

to the next possible tour for the Koalas. Information has been forthcoming from our contacts for tours to Italy, Japan and California and these were the options contained in the survey. The survey closed on 12/9 and following are the results of people's preferences:

5% of respondents chose Japan - July 2018

5% of respondents chose Italy - July 2018

87% of respondents chose California - January 2018 (to coincide with the Pasadena Rose Parade)

3% - left blank

From these results you can see an overwhelming result for a possible tour to California where there are many possibilities for performances and other activities. An application has subsequently been sent to the organising committee of the Pasadena Rose Parade and we will be notified whether we may be accepted into the event.

Even though these results have come in with a positive response, there is a long way to go before anything is confirmed as at this time we have no itinerary or costing, we will wait until we have a response from the Rose Parade before we make further arrangements and contact with our band members and supporters to determine the viability of such a tour.

**Granny Smith Festival Saturday 15th Oct**  
**5:30am—2:30pm**

Meet at 5:30am at Waratah Shopping Village Car Park (K-Mart) to board the bus... Heading to Eastwood in Sydney. Don't forget to bring some lunch money. Koala Performance Uniform (Orange Jacket).

**St Lukes Carnival Belmont Saturday 22nd October 10am—11:15am**

A great community event with many Koalas from the Belmont area. We would be happy for everyone to be there to show what we do best. Summer performance uniform (music notes shirt).

**Santa's Arrival at Westfield Kotara Saturday 12th November**

The Koalas were so popular last year that we have been booked early for the event this year. The times are to be confirmed so keep your eye on Team App.

**Coming up in November and December:**

- + Digital Expo Callaghan College Jesmond Thursday 17th November
- + Gosford Santa Parade Saturday 26th November
- + Nelson Bay Carols Sunday 11th December

**October is a busy birthday month...**

- 14th Ashley Storey
- 16th Mitchell Bartley
- 17th Nicholas Considine  
Isabella O'Brien  
Oliver Watson
- 24th Emily Squires  
Griffin Armstrong
- 25th Maddison Tickner  
Cooper Gallucci
- 26th Brooke Harvey
- 29th Matthew Jones
- 31st Callan Rickford

**New Member:**

Introducing Isabelle Swan in Percussion.



From left to right: Chelsea Cook, Isabelle Swan, Melanie Jones

**Launching the Jets Photos:**





## Koalas Christmas Calendar:

Check out these awesome sample pages and you will see that it will make a great reminder of the successful Europe Tour for you and also make a great Xmas present for your wider group of friends.

An order form has been distributed at band rehearsal and can be forwarded on request if needed. Please return your order and payment to Sam Wong or deposit to the Marching Koalas Supporters account by Tuesday 1st November. Only \$25 each!

