

CELTIC CONNECTION – GUIDELINES FOR NEW MEMBERS

AUDITION: Celtic Connection does not have a formal audition process but applicants need to be able to hold a tune. There will be a period of four weeks of attendance for applicants to decide if this is the kind of choir they wish to join, and also for the Musical Conductor to decide if the voices of new members will blend and create a pleasing balance. The Musical Conductor will inform the new member if Celtic Connection is not the appropriate choir for them.

VENUE: As Celtic Connection uses the facilities of the Queensland Irish Association [the Club allows us to rehearse free of charge], it is expected that choir members abide by the rules of the Club and the Queensland Licensing Commission re Club attendance. People who visit on a casual basis must be signed in by a Club member. Those attending on a regular basis, e.g. choir members who visit weekly, are encouraged to become members of the Queensland Irish Association and show their club membership card on arrival. This is a requirement of the Licensing Commission and applies to all Clubs in Queensland. Annual cost of membership of the Queensland Irish Association is \$44. Forms are available at the front desk or through a Celtic Connection Committee Member who will sponsor new club membership.

ATTENDANCE: **Choir members are expected to make a commitment to attend weekly rehearsals.** This is essential so that the Musical Conductor does not have to continually teach the same music to people who have been away. The Musical Conductor must also decide on the blend of voices, and this is only possible when all choir members are present.

Please notify either Barbara Poole on 3397 8626 or Ray Clark on 3398 3503 [leave a message on the answering machine if necessary] re absences that cannot be avoided.

SUBSCRIPTION COST: \$45.00 per quarter or \$180.00 per annum.

UNIFORM – LADIES:

Black Skirt [ankle length] or tailored black pants [ankle length].

Black shirt [short or three-quarter sleeves]

Green tartan sash supplied by Choir to be fixed at the left shoulder with a Celtic brooch and tied loosely at the right hip. This is to be returned upon resignation from the choir.

Black shoes [not stiletto heels]

Black stockings

UNIFORM - MEN:

Black trousers

Black shirt with long sleeves and collar

Green and black checkered pocket handkerchief supplied by choir [to be returned upon resignation]

Black shoes

Black socks

MUSIC: Choir members will be issued with music and it is the responsibility of the members to have it with them at all rehearsals [black folder for performance] and not to lend any music to other choirs or musical groups or leave it lying around within the Club. Music should be returned to the Celtic Connection librarian upon resignation from the Choir.

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS: Choir members need to check with the Musical Conductor before recruiting/inviting new members to the Group.

When complete, tear off bottom section and return to the Secretary, Barbara Poole.

Name:

Address:

Phone No.	Mobile No.	E-mail
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Proposer:	
Secunder:	

Can you read Music:	Voice range:
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Have you previously sung in a Choir?	Choir/s:

**Do you have a problem with your name and phone number being circulated to other members?
YES/NO.**