

NEWSLETTER 2015- November

Dear Friends,

Thank you to Pamela Saint for her excellent work as Acting Vice Chair in my absence. Indeed, all the Committee should be commended for the way in which each member has continued to further the important ministry represented by the Friends. The quality of our Committee is such that the Vice Chair could be away for 3 months and business did not cease.

ORGAN APPEAL:

We thank you for responding to the vote on the proposed gift from the Friends to the Organ Appeal. All of those who responded were in favour of the gift of \$10 000 to the Organ Fund and thus to the Cathedral 150 Appeal.

Be prepared for an announcement regarding Friends assistance to the Organ Restoration Fund at the '*Empty Cathedral*' event on November 12.

NEXT FRIENDS EVENT:

'Only an Orphan Girl'

The Friends have obtained tickets for a performance on Saturday, November 28 at 2p.m., by Adelaide Repertory Theatre at the Arts Theatre, 53, Angus St.

Cost is \$20; all profits will be donated towards the Organ Fund gift. Tickets may be obtained from Committee Members or through the Cathedral Office, phone: 8267 4551.

Please come to what promises to be an excellent afternoon's entertainment.

CALENDARS:

The 2015 Cathedral Calendar, was very popular last year. The **2016** Calendar, again produced by members of the Friends, has photographs of items in the Cathedral including at least one photo of one art work which in the Sacristy which is normally on show only in Holy Week and so is not seen by many people.

The Calendars will be available in an improved format for \$6 at the Theatre event and in the Cathedral Shop.

RECENT FRIENDS PROJECTS.

We have provided a new stepladder for the Cathedral Office.

The Friends have supported the Flower Guild by funding the cleaning, polishing and lacquering of a brass urn used in the Lady Chapel and will be used in the coming Flower Festival.

The Friends Committee has again agreed to fund a new supply of special souvenir cathedral bookmarks given to each member of school tours of the Cathedral.

It is amazing to think that in less than two years there have been about one and a half thousand school students conducted on 56 booked tours of the Cathedral by the Cathedral's group of Tour Leaders.

FUTURE FRIENDS PROJECT.

The Friends are investigating the possibility of financing further brass cleaning projects. One of these brasses, on the wall by the Wardens Pews, commemorates the S.A. fallen of the South African War. This brass was unveiled by the Duke who became King George V. Another group of brasses that are difficult to clean are those attached to the organ casing beneath the organ loft.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016

The AGM will be after a pancake lunch in the CP Hall on Sunday February 7th.

Kind regards,

Gerald Varley.

Vice Chair