

## MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

DATE: 30/04/2021



This past year has seen some difficult times for many of our members. Covid-19, loss of income, insecurities from lock-downs, no International Conventions etc have affected many of our members and our choruses. The good news is that most of our choruses have been able to rehearse and are looking forward to celebrate together at Harmony Aotearoa 2021.

Our Membership on 30th April 2020:

Full Members 604

Youth Members 24

**TOTAL 628**

This includes 34 Chapter at Large members.

Our Membership on 30th April 2021:

Full Members 413

Youth Members 18

**TOTAL 526**

This includes 35 Chapter at Large members.

We have finished the year with the same 4 members on our Membership Resource Team.

**Lesley Standring** continues to communicate with our Chapter Membership Teams

**Carol Jagar** communicates with our Chapter Team Coordinators

**Susanna La Rue** keeps in touch with our Chapter at Large members

**Ruth Carson** keeps in regular contact with our Quartet members

Don't be afraid to contact any of these ladies if you have a suggestion or just need a chat.

We were saddened to lose Capital Harmony Chorus during the year. Over the years they had been part of our family and have contributed to the success of Region 35. It is great to hear they are still singing together and some of their members are now Chapter at Large.

Our prospective chorus, Sounds of The Shores who are based on Auckland's North Shore have developed so much over the year and I am excited that they are going to be able to show off their wonderful chorus when they perform for the first time for all of us at Harmony Aotearoa 2021. They are making good progress towards joining Sweet Adelines.

We currently have 25 registered quartets in Region 35.

Let us join together to acknowledge and celebrate the work that continues to be done within our choruses and quartets. We have been, and still are, a great organization offering a safe haven for women to be themselves and to form lasting friendships. When I listen to the stories our new ladies tell us when they are introduced to the chorus after only having been with us for a few weeks, I am encouraged and feel certain about our future.

**Miriam Spragg**