

DIRECTORS' COORDINATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 2017

Having only taken over this role in late December 2016, one of my priorities is to get to know all the fabulous directors in our region and possibly run another survey after Regional convention this year to see how RMT can best serve the needs of our directors in this ever changing environment.

Last year's Regional convention saw our region make Sweet Adeline history. We became the first region that has 4 choruses that score over 600! While it is not all about the directors, this result indicates we have many high quality leaders and as a region we are heading the right direction.

Last year's International Convention held in Las Vegas's MGM Grand Hotel in October had our region very well represented by The Christchurch City Chorus directed by the one and only Virginia Humphrey-Taylor. We also had two great quartets representing us on the international stage, MOLTO! And After Shock! Quartet, we are so very proud of you. The Christchurch City Chorus has made New Zealand Sweet Adeline history by placing 5th in the world and grab the "most entertaining" award along the way! On top of all these amazing results, Virginia also became a Master 700 director! Congratulations to everyone involved.

October this year sees Lynn Jamieson and Kate Sinclair leading the Waikato Rivertones to Las Vegas to walk the expansive MGM Grand corridors and walkways and dodge the smoke filled gaming rooms and queues of mobility scooters one last time. I know Lynn and Kate had done a lot of research on the venue and locations, I am confident that our region will be very ably represented again.

I am excited to see what this year will bring to our region and looking forward to get to know and working with all you fabulous directors.

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