## President's Report 2012-2013 Sound Connection

Our third season opened with a Friends/Family Night Send-Off Party before AC&C. Although we were disappointed not to have qualified for IC&C, we had a wonderful time at AC&C with <u>every single one</u> of our members in attendance!

We have been focusing on making ourselves more visible in the community and sang at a community function/BBQ in June as well as at a large 80<sup>th</sup> birthday party.

After 7 weeks off over the summer, we amazed ourselves with our sound on our first night back in mid August. We have a new assistant director, Karen Taylor, and have been very fortunate to work with her this year.

Our membership drive in September-October was very successful, attracting around a dozen ladies with 8 of them still with us. We implemented a new 8 week program, with our potential new members working closely with Karen, bringing them quickly up to speed. While gaining 8 new members we did lose 4 former members, bringing our membership total to 37.

We have had two all day coaching sessions this year with another one at the end of March. These have been a tremendous help to us all as we continue to learn this wonderful craft. We really are a young chorus and have much to learn but are enjoying every minute of the journey to this year's AC&C.

We had one quartet compete at AC&C last year and this year will see another quartet joining them in the competition.

It has been my pleasure to serve the chorus over the past year and I look forward to the next.

Respectfully submitted,

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