

## 8/29/08 Australia Meeting

- Mr. Chapman is trying to borrow the large instruments needed instead of having to fly them because of the Delta checked baggage rules:
- A fuel large fuel surcharge is now mandatory for all instruments weighing more than a certain amount and measuring more than a certain size.
- Air New Zealand may be able to wave these fees.
- Instruments that need to be found include a sousaphone and a contra bass clarinet.
  
- Students that will take extra instruments as checked baggage:
  - Kristin – Bradley’s Concert Tuba
  - Eden – Bradley’s electric bass
  - Kiki – Joseph’s Marching Baritone
  - Ava – Michael’s Tenor Sax
  - Kierra – Lauren’s Marching French Horn
  - Genesis – Knowles’s Marching French Horn
  
- Go ahead and tell your Homeowner’s Insurance provider that you are going out of the country because this insurance covers your instrument.
  
- Tell you bank that you are going out of the country as well if you will be using a debit card.
  
- If you want Mr. Chapman to get you some Australian dollars, write a check and give it to Mrs. Windham by the end of the week so she can call Regions bank to get Australian money.
  
- If you are bringing a lap-top, check with the company to make sure that your lap-top can handle the voltage of Australian electricity.
  
- Bring any liquids (shampoo, conditioner, etc.) in checked baggage in ZIP LOCK BAG so that none of your clothes get damaged or messed up if the bottles bust or spill.
  
- Tommy already gave \$150.00 USD- Needs Aust. Dollars.
  
- Genesis is now added to the roster!! : )
  
- Mrs. Mims, Erica, and the 2 city officials are each taking a bag of 5 uniforms.
  
- If you are unable to attend the Austal ship christening and/or Bayfest, you NEED to find a *quality* replacement.
- This is a BIG deal. Austal gave \$10,000.00 for Australia and this is the only thing they
- Ask for in return is that we play at this.
- We will be playing Anchors Away- that’s ALL.
- Arrive at the band room at 8:30 A.M. to get uniforms, equipment and parking passes.

- The christening is scheduled to last 9:00-11:00 A.M.
- We will bring the stand tune flip folders just in case anything else is needed.
  
- Sunday, October, 5, we will be playing in the Radio Avalon tent at 1:30.
- We will be playing the field show, Moondance, and anything else jazzy in the flip Folders.
- Get directions and instructions from Mr. Chapman.
  
- We may be getting emails soon from Hamilton High School kids. Mr. Chapman sent our Email addresses to the travel agent.
  
- On the day of travel... DON'T FORGET! Bring a couple of changes of clothes in your On *just in case* luggage is lost.
  
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