

Youth Band Night Committee - Launch Meeting Notes
22 August 2025

Attendees:

- Angus Johns
- Lily Tibbett
- Paige Johnson
- Lara Formann
- Michael (Staff)
- Sewa (Staff)

Discussion Points Summary:

- **School channels & audiences**
 - Posters; short year meetings at Gunnedah High; assemblies work well.
 - St Mary's briefing via Ms James.
 - Gunnedah High context: no combined roll call; most may not be into performing.
 - Mini choir at GHS could be interested.
 - School Facebook post and notices (Lily).
- **Neighbouring shires & networks**
 - Narrabri High students might be keen — **Lara, Paige, Lily** know Narrabri people.
 - **Gus** knows people from Moorambilla/Coonabarabran.
 - **Paige** has family/friends in Coonabarabran.
 - **Lily** knows people in Boggabri and has a family member at a Narrabri music shop.
 - **Dom** can mention Band Night at Gunnedah High.
- **Practice space constraints**
 - Limited after-school spaces; consider using school venues (music rooms/halls) if needed.
 - Home rehearsals are an option if needed.
- **Band structure**
 - Each band to have its own rehearsal day/time based on level and availability.
- **Committee culture & inclusivity**
 - Make people feel welcome and comfortable.
 - Aim for **diverse** and **integrated** bands.
- **Ground rules**
 - Treat others how you want to be treated.
 - Be kind with constructive criticism; no judgement.
 - Talk out problems.
 - Be yourself; be chill.
 - Get to know each other, skills, instruments, and interests.

Action Items:

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Item	Person Responsible	Done (Date)
Put posters up at school (English room, music rooms, everywhere/anywhere)	Lily (Gunnedah High) Paige + Lara (St Mary's)	
Use assemblies to address the whole cohort & check if choir members are interested in joining	Angus (St Mary's - ask Ms James) and Lily (Gunnedah High School - ask Dom)	
St Mary's: speak at briefing or get Ms James to speak.	Angus	
Add items to school notices	Lily (Gunnedah High)	
Get the school to post on the school Facebook page	Lily (Gunnedah High) and Paige (St Mary's)	
Reach out to St Xavier's about using the hall for rehearsals	Angus and Paige (St Mary's)	
Set a catch-up rehearsal day for anyone who misses the main rehearsal	Band Night Committee (BNC)	
Each band to set its own rehearsal day/time and find a space (home rehearsals if needed)	-	
Ask potential participants who are musical (e.g., Hunter, Cooper) if they'd rehearse	Paige	
Create a 'text-able' flyer and share the Canva link with Paige	Sewa	
Talk to Year 9 boys and teachers to spread the word	Paige	

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Create individual band nomination forms with a QR code (Google Form/survey)	Sewa	
Ask Ms James about the process of borrowing equipment from St Mary's College is needed	Angus	