

## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our tasks on the committee for 1991/92 have been arranged, as you can see from the list on the inside front cover. For many members, the newsletter is the only point of contact with our society so I am committing myself to a regular column to encourage a spirit of enquiry and debate. This is your newsletter and we encourage you to write.

Melbourne next year has *Lohengrin* in repertoire. We hope to run an article on our recommendations for a trouble-free trip.

I look forward to being able to announce some exciting news at our annual Christmas party so please COME IF YOU CAN. The party will be a smorgasbord of entertainment and nostalgia and good food - something for everyone.

This last quarter, as your President I represented the Society at the premiere of *La Stupenda* and the opening of the new Joan Sutherland Rehearsal Studio, both in July at the Opera House. They were magical evenings both.

And now I want particularly to thank Keith and Jessie Anderson for their unstinting contribution to the society over the years - musically, gastronomically and literarily (please indulge me in that last coining). They aren't always here physically but they are very much with us every time we hear the music! Thank you, Keith and Jessie!

Until our next, December, newsletter, enjoy your Wagner.

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President