

# Barry Tuckwell

## Melbourne, Australia

- 1931 Barry Tuckwell is born on March 5<sup>th</sup> in Prahran, a suburb of Melbourne.
- 1944 Tuckwell starts playing the horn at age 13.
- 1946 Tuckwell joins the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra at 15. He later also performs with the Sydney Orchestra.
- 1950 Tuckwell leaves for London.
- 1954 Tuckwell becomes the principal horn for the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.
- 1955 Tuckwell becomes the principal horn for the London Symphony and teaches at the Royal Academy of Music.
- 1964 An allergic reaction to the mouthpiece leads him to switch to a plastic one.
- 1968 Tuckwell leaves the LSO to become a full-time soloist and recording artist.
- 1979 Tuckwell performs at Lincoln Center and at the Century Club with Benny Goodman. By this time he has grown a mustache to combat soreness from shaving and is performing in 200 concerts per year and has recorded 24 albums. (*People*, January)
- 1980 Tuckwell is leading the Tasmania Symphony Orchestra.
- 1982 He becomes the founding music director of the Maryland Symphony Orchestra in Hagerstown; later becoming a US citizen.
- 1998 Tuckwell retires from the MSO and returns to Melbourne.
- 2020 Barry dies on January 16<sup>th</sup> in Melbourne.

Information here comes from several obituaries and a 1979 interview with *People* magazine.

