

PENINSULA FOLK CLUB NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY2023 Advancing Acoustic Music on the Peninsula

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MARCH 5th GUEST ARTIST KHRISTIAN MIZZI

Winner of the 2021 Australian Folk Alliance awards - 'SOLO ARTIST OF THE YEAR', Khristian Mizzi has captured the hearts of audiences around the country with his moving songs and imaginative stories. He writes well crafted tales which draw on hopeful and heartwarming wisdoms found in the people and places we experience.

With a 'strong and gentle' voice, and an art for weaving beauty and truth into the words of each song, Khristian Mizzi reaches the hearts of his audiences with performances that are joyful, up-



with performances that are joyful, uplifting, confronting, spiritual, comedic and vulnerable all at once.

SPOT ACT OPPORTUNITIES IN 2023



for Acoustic Performers INTERESTED ?? Ring Evan Webb on 0439 456 544 to discuss getting a spot on our Club Night bill

JAM SESSION

Our ever-popular regular Jam Session will commence from 5.30 in the Bar Area

Come early and join in the fun!! Bring an instrument or just your voice... Beginners welcomed



We meet on the 1st Sunday each Month 5.30 - 9.30pm (Feb to Nov) @ Frankston Bowls Club, Cnr Yuille & William Sts Frankston Informal Jam Session 5.30 - 6.30 pm, then "Concert" 6.30- 9.30pm

Members \$7.00 Visitors \$10.00

WHAT'S COMING UP AT PFC

APRIL 2nd GUEST ARTISTS GREEN FIELDZ

We welcome back PFC's own Keith and Sally !! They play all types of music, from Celtic to country, from rock to classical, originals to contemporary.

They're all about upbeat fun, blazing guitar, wild fiddle, funky ukuleles and loads of energy.



PLEASE NOTE: OUR "MAY CLUB NIGHT" WILL BE HELD ON 30TH APRIL !!! APRIL 30th..GUEST ARTIST.. MARTY KELLY

Marty hails from, Ballinascreen, South Derry , in the North of Ireland. A singer song writer, producer, arranger, studio and live sound

engineer, and multi-instrumentalist, now calling Melbourne home, for many years. He is a regular at The Dubliner at Mornington

Marty has toured extensively all over the world, and played everything from Hard Rock to Classical Music, and now calls Trad/Folk his main thing, being heavily influenced by local musicians from his home parish.

A keen teller of stories and yarns, as



well as a Vocalist /Guitarist, Marty is highly sought after, for all things Celtic and more.

4th JUNE..OUR ANNUAL SONGWRITER'S CONTEST

Yes ...It's back.. It's time to polish up that new song you've been working on. We're dying to hear the range and quality of new music coming out.

Full details of how to enter are to be found on page 4 of this Newsletter and on the PFC Website..

Get cracking...you've got to be in it to win it!!



Peninsula Folk Club's "Junction Jam"

Will be held at Yarra Junction's historic Camp Eureka from Friday March 24th to Sunday March 26th.

(Enter from 9.00am Friday – Leave by 2.00pm Sunday).

Camp in your tent, caravan, car, swag, or in one of the many huts scattered around the grounds (you'll need to call Evan on 0439 456 544 if you want a hut). Camp on your own or in a group with your mates, and do remember to be "Covid Safe".

With the minimum of formality you can take part in as much, or as little, in jams, workshops, etc. There will also be a "Whiteboard" concert on Saturday arvo!

You will need to be fully vaxed, and self-cater as far as food is concerned (kitchen use is limited) – note that there are some wonderful eateries just minutes away. There are shower and toilet facilities on-site, but be aware that the camp is a "bush" camp! Remember also please to take your rubbish home with you. Come for the weekend, or just the day, no booking required (with the exception of hut accommodation), pay on arrival –

PFC Members – \$50 pp for the weekend, \$20 pp for day-trippers Non-Members – \$60 pp for the weekend, \$20 pp for day-trippers Dogs are welcome but must be under control, (i.e. on-leash) at all times, droppings to be picked up and properly disposed of. Enquiries – Contact Alan – 0418 544 467, or Evan – 0439 456 544



SUNDAY 4th JUNE..OUR ANNUAL SONGWRITER'S CONTEST will be back on again this year but in a more normal format. Entries will still need to be recorded and sent by email to Barry Larkin. Barry will collect the entries and forward them to our judges for their consideration and shortlisting. Shortlisted songs will then be performed at our June 4th club meeting on the Sunday evening. The Judging panel will consist of Bill Dettmer and Suzette Herft This years Prizes are all Gift Vouchers from GUITARS AND THINGS: 1st Prize \$250..2nd Prize \$150..3rd Prize \$50

Rules and Conditions for our Songwriters Competition 2023 1. Entry is free

2. The song, both tune and words, must be an original written in the folk genre by the entrant and must have been composed within the last 12 calendar months prior to the Competition date



3. The songwriter does not have to perform the song written but can nominate another person to perform it on their behalf ..

4. As this is a Songwriting Contest, performance will be by ONE voice and ONE acoustic instrument. It is permissible to have two people performing the song. Any acoustic instrument can be used to present the song, the only exception is that an electric keyboard is allowed, in piano mode only with no effects or pre-recorded sound

5. (a) Persons intending to enter should contact Barry Larkin at b larkin@aapt.net.au to obtain an entry number and to provide name, phone number and email address.

5. (b) A copy of the song's words plus an audio or video recording of the song (MP3 or MP4) must be emailed to Barry Larkin by 15th of May
6. All entrants will be advised if they have or have not made the final 10
7. The Peninsula Folk Club has the right to refuse any entry on the basis that the content is, in

the opinion of the committee, unsuitable.

8. The Judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into..!!

Notes: The audio recording does not have to be of professional quality. A home recording done with a computer and free software such as Audacity should give satisfactory results. Call Barry Larkin on (0418) 363 056 if you need any clarification or have any questions. GET YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND YOUR ENTRY IN QUICKLY ... PLACES ARE LIMITED

MUSICAL STYLES (A CYNICAL VIEW)

JAZZ Five men on the same stage, all playing different tunes BLUES Played exclusively by people who woke up this morning WORLD MUSIC A dozen different types of percussion playing at once OPERA People singing when they should be talking		
RAP CLASSICAL FOLK	People talking when they should be singing Discover the other 45 minutes hey left out of the TV ad Endless songs about shipwrecks in the 19 th century	
BIG BAND HOUSE MUSIC	20 men who take it it turns to stand up plus a drummer OK as long as it's not the house next door	
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UPDATE ON GROUPS ASSOCIATED WITH PFC

The Peninsula Folk Club Singers (better known as **PMS voices**) ... invite anyone who likes to sing, whether well or not, to come along and enjoy a fun night with like-minded lovers of music.

We've grown to be a really good choir. We started about halfway through last year, learned about eight songs stretching from The Seekers through to Adele, performed at the Folk Club and at the Sommerville Community House Christmas party...and loved it.

This year we will still meet at the Sommerville Community House every second Wednesday, starting from Feb 1. We start at 7pm, stop for coffee about 7.45, then sing again until 8.30. The range of music to learn is suited



to all levels of singers and we promise to encourage and support you, even if you think you're terrible.

Don't take this the wrong way, but I really want more men in my singing group. Come on PFC men of all ages. You'll love it. If you're even slightly interested, please give me a call on **0417 129 575** and let me convince you to have a go.

Cheers.. Eric van Cuylenburg

FIDDLE GROUP

Barry Larkin has been hosting a Fiddle Group on Tuesday Nights on ZOOM since the COVID lockdowns.

The group has progressed to the stage where prospective new members would need to be reasonably competent. Most can sight-read new tunes at a reasonable pace so it's definitely no longer a beginners group.

If you are interested in joining please contact Barry on 0418 363 056 or at b_larkin@aapt.net.au



MANDO GROUP Mandolin Madness continues to burble along nicely. Learning new tunes and polishing up some of the old ones. The end of cover lockdowns has seen the chance for more face to face rehearsals and less dependence on the Zoom format. The group has taken advantage of both the Girgarre Moosic Muster and the Fiddlers Convention to strut their stuff in public. Chalkboard opportunities at both have seen different combinations of players and up front singers represent the the mandolin in a wonderful light. And we're not shy about including the other odd instrument as well with guitar, harp and lager phone in the mix. This public exposure has encouraged some enquiries about joining our happy band and our numbers are swelling. We shall continue to encourage each other in our playing as the festival season slows down and build on our repertoire waiting on the next opportunity to perform. Keep on pickin' Mark P

Enquiries to Mark at mpotteng@bigpond.net.au

HAPPY SNAPS FROM FEBRUARY CLUB NIGHT













FESTIVALS PAGE



(Labour Day Weekend) Bush Ballads - Folk - Gospel - Celtic - Reggae - Bluegrass - Aussie Country and..wait for it) Big Rockabilly Sunday Afternoon. Sandford Village is 5km South of Casterton in South Western Victoria, about five hours drive from Melbourne and six hours drive from Adelaide.



NATIONAL FOLK FESTIVAL.. Canberra 6th-10th April Music. Culture. Good Times.

Dance with wild abandon. Listen in awe to music from around the world. Learn new crafts. Make new friends. Hang out with old ones. Soak up the vibes. Eat. Drink. Be merry. This is the National Folk Festival experience. And it's yours to enjoy.



NATIONAL CELTIC FESTIVAL 9th-12th JUNE @ PORTALINGTON

The first festival was started out of a desire to connect to Celtic culture, to bring people together and to celebrate celts in Australia.

Over the last 20 years, the festival has taken on a new form while staying true to its homage.

After a significant move to Portarlington in 2004, the National Celtic Folk Festival has become a winter staple in the small, historic town, taking place over the June long weekend every year.

Spanning over ten venues, the event now includes a wide variety of activities including Irish and Scottish ceili, bush dances, theatre, pipes and drums, Celtic martial arts and most recently, the Heavy Games.

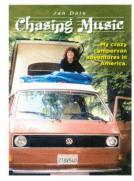


- ✓ Cost: Free Group Tuition. Gold coin donation for Tea/Coffee Advice and assistance offered to purchase or rent a Ukulele
- Every Tuesday (except school holidays). Contact Dave



humour and their fourpart harmony.





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Chasing Music

My crazy campervan adventures in America by Jan Dale

In 1992, one woman packed up her life, headed to America and bought herself a little campervan.

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You have a natural gift for narrative. Your story rockets along and delights in its observations and anecdotes.

This is a marvellous story and deserves to be read.

- Phillip Adams Award-winning journalist. broadcaster and filmmaker

About the Author

Jan Dale is an internationally recognised Australian radio producer/presenter. Her awardwinning show. Southern Style, can be heard on Melbourne's PBS FM 106.7 and pbsfm.org.au

She has been MC at various Bluegrass events in U.S. and Australia and has written many articles for the American magazine Bluegrass Unlimited. and for a variety of other magazines.

Jan is an adventurous traveller, having been to over 70 countries, often backpacking alone.

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Sunday 26th February Sunday 26th March Sunday 30 April Sunday 28 May Sunday 25 June Sunday 30 July Sunday 27 August Sunday 24 September Sunday 29 October Sunday 26 November



LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 4 PM - 7PM \$5 COVER CHARGE / CHILD - DONATION



Queries - Contact Jim McAlinden 0400 267 894 or jim@mcalinden.id.au **BERWICK FOLK CLUB..** 3rd Friday of month Doors open 7:30 - Music starts 8pm @ Old Cheese Factory 34 Homestead Rd., Berwick

17th MARCH TIDAL MOON "Acoustic ripples upon a sea of imagination" - classical/Celtic meets folk/country. Barbara Jeffrey and José Garcia combine a hybrid Celtic/Paraguayan harp and soaring soprano vocals with the timbre of baritone vocals, guitar, flute and bodhran. Beautiful traditional, original and contemporary music.



MOUNTAIN PICKERS ASSOCIATION

Last Tuesday. at 7 .45. . Club night @ Ferntree Gully Bowling Club (2A Glenfern Rd) Entry Members -\$10 .Non Members - \$15 Conc \$12

28th FEBRUARY GREEN FIELDZ

FATHERS IN THE CHAPEL

2nd FRIDAY at 7.30pm St Johns Anglican Church Childers St Cranbourne

100% Acoustic 100% Real music 100% Real people. No electronic trickery. Come and hear beautiful music performed in a beautiful acoustic environment.

> Enquiries Mick Tinetti 0419 562 992

CRANBOURNE FUN (FOLK UNITING NIGHT) NIGHT

3rd Sat from 7.30 @ Cranbourne Regional Uniting Church @ 41 Lesdon Ave.
Cost is \$7 per head, (\$5 for performers) .includes supper.
If you like live music, good company and don't mind supporting your local community - come along to our concerts!
Come along and share your songs, poems, dances, music; or just enjoy the evening as part of the audience

MONDAY MUSOS AT HASTINGS

Meets every Monday 1.15–4.00pm At the Community Centre 185 High St Hastings Great variety of Genres covered in books supplied Jam along in the round \$5.00 includes afternoon tea and great company CONTACT: Tonia 0400 766 552 or Graeme 0437 470 385 If undeliverable return to: Peninsula Folk Club c/o 410 McClelland Dr Langwarrin 3910



Dates to Remember Peninsula Folk Club 2023 Club Nights..., 5th March, 2nd April, 30th April First Sunday each Month 5.30 - 9.30pm @ Frankston Bowling Clubrooms, Cnr Yuille & William Sts Frankston Informal Jam Session 5.30 - 6.30pm, then "Concert" 6.30- 9.30pm Members \$7.00 Visitors \$10.00 Bar Drinks available