



PENINSULA FOLK CLUB

NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024

Celebrating 40 years of Advancing Acoustic Music
on the Peninsula

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SUNDAY 3RD MARCH

Our previously advertised March Guest act Tri Na Ceile are not able to come due to unforeseen circumstances...We are delighted that

KATHRYN CLEMENTS and SUZETTE HERFT
will be our Guest Act.



They are well renowned as performers in their own right as well as running the equally well renowned Singer's Session at The Quiet Man Irish Pub in Flemington for nearly 25 years. With their beautiful voices, harmonies and infectious joy, Kathryn and Suzette

will bring you a selection of their favourite Irish songs that will have you tapping your toes and singing along to well known tunes.

Join Kathryn and Suzette to celebrate some Irish spirit ahead of St Patrick's Day at the Peninsula Folk Club. "



SPOT ACTS for Acoustic Performers. Interested in getting a Spot ??.. Call TONY COFFEY on 0483 017 572 to discuss getting a spot on our Club Night bill

JAM SESSION Our ever-popular regular Jam Session commences from 5.30 in the Bar Area Come early and join in the fun!! Bring an instrument or just your voice... Beginners welcomed

DID YOU KNOW WE ARE APPROACHING OUR 40th ANNIVERSARY IN JUNE ??



*To celebrate we will be running a Traditional Bush Dance on Saturday June 22nd
Plenty of information will come your way shortly.. In the meantime, put that date down in your Diary to avoid missing out!!*



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 IN 2024

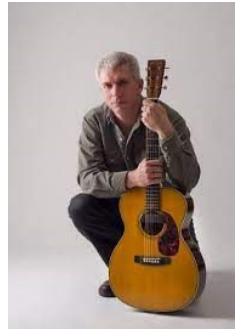
15th-17th MARCH ANNUAL JUNCTION JAM

See Page 3 for more details !!

8th APRIL GUEST ACT LEIGH SLOGGETT TRIO

We welcome back Leigh Sloggett for the first time since April 2019. A laid-back yet intense musical force is born when authenticity meets refined talent. Leigh Sloggett's earthy song writing and commanding style extends beyond the diverse foundations of Blues and Folk. Evocative timbres and a soulful touch are brought together by searing roots guitar and lap slide.

"Leigh Sloggett's album "More Than I Need" is a masterpiece of brilliant songwriting and searing roots guitar and not to be missed."



5th MAY GUEST ACT BUSH GOTHIC

Bush Gothic wander through the dankest, weirdest corners of the trad song books and emerge as post modern slash anti establishment slash folk feminists. Are they outsiders, lurking on the cultural fringe?

Or have they penetrated to the inner core of Australian identity? They won the Australian Folk Music 2022

Award for Best Band, are multiple Best Music Award winners at The Adelaide Fringe and received FIVE STARS from the BBC Music Magazine.

The individual members of the band, Jenny M. Thomas (fiddle-singer, piano, spoons) Chris Lewis (drumkit) and Dan Witton (double bass), have worked as composers, instrumental soloists and theatre performers across

the globe with companies including Circus Oz, Sydney Symphony Orchestra, The New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, The Australian Opera, Strange Fruit, Meow Meow and Chamber Made Opera.



2nd JUNE OUR ANNUAL SONGWRITERS COMPETITION

It's time to start working on your entry ..perhaps dig out something you've had put aside and finally finish it!! Or get that new tune out of your head and down on tape (is anyone still using tape)



Peninsula Folk Club's "Junction Jam"

Will be held at Yarra Junction's historic Camp Eureka, Tarango Rd,
Yarra Junction from

Friday March 15th to Sunday March 17th 2024

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

Come and join us for a relaxed weekend of jamming and playing in the beautiful bush surrounds of Camp Eureka Yarra Junction.

Catch up with your jamming buddies and enjoy the scenery. This is a relaxed weekend—we are not offering workshops, but there will be a mega "whiteboard concert on Saturday arvo.

Bring your caravan, camper or tent or swag. Self Catering only. BYO food and drinks.

There are shower and toilet facilities on site, but be aware that the camp is a "bush" camp! Please remember to take your rubbish home.

No booking required (with the exception of hut accom.)



Pay on arrival

Full weekend: \$50 pp

Day Tripper: \$20 pp .

Children under 12 FREE

Cash preferred due to connectivity issues.

Dogs welcome but must be under control and on a leash at all times. Droppings must be picked up and properly disposed of.

Limited Hut Accomodation is available. You'll need to book early by sending your request to:
evanjwebb@optusnet.com.au

Enquiries - Contact Alan - 0418 544 467, or Evan - 0439 456 544



FEBRUARY CLUB NIGHT SNAPS



IT'S AMAZING THE
NUMBER OF GREAT
PEOPLE IN MY LIFE
THAT I WOULDN'T
HAVE EVER MET IF
IT WASN'T FOR
MUSIC



PFC ASSOCIATED GROUPS

PENINSULA FOLK CLUB SINGERS *meet at the Somerville Community House every second Wednesday, 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. If you're even slightly interested, please give me a call on 0417 129 575 and let me convince you to have a go. Eric*

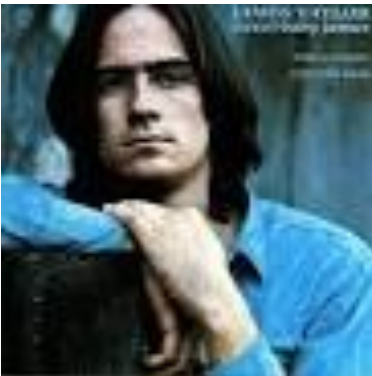
FIDDLE GROUP *Barry Larkin has been hosting a Fiddle Group on Tuesday Nights on ZOOM since the COVID lockdowns. The group has progressed to the stage where prospective new members would need to be reasonably competent. Most can sight-read new tunes at a reasonable pace so it's definitely no longer a 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. Enquiries to Mark at mpotteng@bigpond.net.au*

DID YOU KNOW ??

Taylor Swift's Parents were big James Taylor fans and she was named after him !!



James Taylor recorded his first album in 1968 (when the Beatles were recording the White Album) and has been touring now for over 50 years..

Will Taylor Swift still be performing to sellout crowds after 50 years ? Will she still be wearing skimpy outfits ?

Only time will tell !!



Sing & Strum
UKULELE
*resuming Tues 31st Jan. 2023
WEEKLY TUESDAY SESSIONS
Beginner Tuition at 1:30pm
followed by full group session
@ 2pm - 3:15pm

Venue:
Mornington Salvos
750 Nepean Hwy Mt Martha
More Info & Register:
Dave - 0432 612 655

- ✓ Facilitated by Dave Parker: over 40 yrs. music teaching,
- ✓ 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

MONDAY MUSOS AT HASTINGS

Every Monday 1.15-4.00pm
At the Community Centre 185 High St
Hastings

Jam along in the round
\$5.00 includes afternoon tea and
great company

CONTACT:

Tonia 0400 766 552 or
Graeme 0437 470 385

EDITOR'S SONG OF THE MONTH

CARRICKFERGUS

I wish I was in Carrickfergus
Only for nights in Ballygrand
I would swim over the deepest ocean
Only for nights in Ballygrand
But the sea is wide and I cannot swim over
And neither have I the wings to fly
If I could find me a handy boatman
To ferry me over my love and I



My childhood days bring back sad reflections
Of happy time there spent so long ago
My boyhood friends and my own relations
Have all passed on now like the melting snow
So I'll spend my days in this endless roving
Soft is the grass and shore my bed is free
But to be home now in carrickfergus
On the long road down to the salty sea

And in Kilkenny it is reported
On marble stone there as black as ink
With gold and silver I would support her
But I'll sing no more now till I get a drink
For I'm drunk today and I'm seldom sober
The handsome rover from town to town
Ah but I am sick now my days are numbered
Come all me young men and lay me down
Come all me young men and lay me down



EDITOR'S NOTE "Carrickfergus" is an Irish folk song, named after the town of Carrickfergus in County Antrim, Northern Ireland. The Clancy Brothers' 1964 album titled "The First Hurrah!" includes this title. A somewhat differing version was released under the name "The Kerry Boatman", by Dominic Behan on an LP called *The Irish Rover*, in 1965.

The modern song is due to Dominic Behan, who published it in 1965. Behan relates that he learned the song from actor Peter O'Toole. In his book, "Ireland Sings" (London, 1965), Behan gives three verses, the first and third of which he says that he obtained from O'Toole and the middle one that he wrote himself. The 1964 album "The First Hurrah!" by The Clancy Brothers includes a song entitled "Carrickfergus (Do Bhí Bean Uasal)". The melody has been traced to an Irish-language song, "Do Bhí Bean Uasal" ("There Was a Noblewoman"), which is attributed to the poet Cathal Buí Mac Giolla Ghunna, who died in 1756 in County Clare. Music collector George Petrie obtained two settings of this melody from fellow collector Patrick Joyce.

SOME FESTIVALS TO CONSIDER



The 2024 Koroit Irish Festival will be held on April 26-28. Koroit is Australia's Most Irish Town.



Tickets for the festival are on sale now, online only at <https://www.trybooking.com/CMZNQ>



NATIONAL CELTIC FESTIVAL PORTARLINGTON 7th-10th JUNE 2024

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,



YACKANDANDAH FOLK FESTIVAL 22nd-24th MARCH

Loads of amazing local and overseas artists, some of which you've probably never heard of before but just think, you can say, oh yeah.....so and so.....we saw them at Yack Folk Festival in 2024!

10-12 MARCH 2023 SANDFORD BUSH MUSIC FESTIVAL



Bush ~ Folk ~ Bluegrass ~ Celtic & Country Music ~ Bush Poetry

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

SELBY FOLK CLUB

*Selby Community House
Minak Road, Selby
Friday March 1st*

Songwriters In the Round -
Kris Mizzi, Tim Woodz & Rick Hart



WARRAGUL ACOUSTIC UNPLUGGED

The Club meets on the 2nd Friday of each month, at the Warragul Senior Citizens. Look us up on Facebook under Warragul Acoustic Unplugged.

Any PFC members who would like to join us are most welcome.
Only \$5-00 at the door includes tea, coffee and cakes
JOIN THE FUN Enquiries 04 911 399 80

OPEN MIC AT THE GREEN

*The night is still held the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Yamala Bowling Club, Dunstan St Frankston. Doors open at 6.30 pm at which time one of the acts will play through to 7.00 pm at which time the actual Open Mic starts.
It has become so popular that spots need to be booked in advance - phone 0407063223.
Audience members are always welcome and no booking is required.*

*We love to see a variety of performers, whether they are instrumentalists , singers/ guitar players , comedians or leaning to the more "rock" side of things.
Everyone is welcome and every act is much appreciated.*

Entry is a Gold Coin donation and drinks are available over the bar.

TOO OLD ???

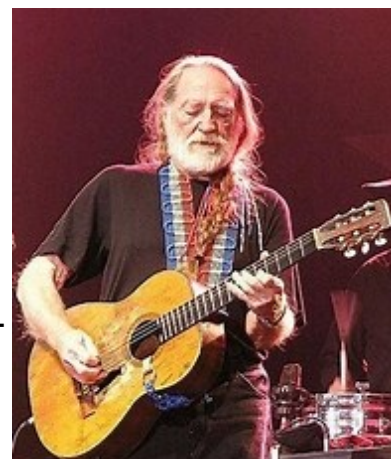
So ...you wonder why you are still singing or playing at your advancing age..

Look at this list of musicians still touring..

Willie Nelson..90, Ringo Starr 83, Cliff Richard 83, Tom Jones 83, Bob Dylan 82, Paul Simon 82, Paul McCartney 81, Keith Richards 80, Mick Jagger 80, John Williamson 78

AND WHAT ABOUT Clint Eastwood Producing and directing movies at 93!!!

SO...KEEP DOING IT WHILE YOU CAN !!



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FATHERS IN THE CHAPEL

2nd FRIDAY at 7.30pm
St Johns Anglican Childers St
Cranbourne 100% Acoustic

*Come and hear beautiful music performed
in a beautiful acoustic environment.*

Enquiries Mick Tinetti 0419 562 992

MOUNTAIN PICKERS ASSOC

Last Tuesday. at 7.45. . Club night
@ Ferntree Gully Bowling Club (

Feb 27th The Cartwheels are golden guitar winners Wendy Phipers and Dave Patterson. The Cartwheels recorded their fifth studio album 'The Cartwheels' in 2019. The album was in the finals of the 2020 Music Victoria Awards for Country Album of the year. The Cartwheels live show features Wendy's amazing voice, country, bluegrass and Wendy's original songs.



Victorian Folk Music Club
at Ringwood

Tidal Moon

Beautiful traditional, original and contemporary music
with Barbara Jeffrey and Jose Garcia

Tuesday 12th March

Ringwood Uniting Church Hall, Station St.
7.45 - 10.00pm Admission \$11 to \$15, kids no charge
Cash or card at the door, or pre-purchase all tickets at:
<https://events.humanitix.com/vfmc-march2024-concert>
Spot acts please PRE-BOOK at concerts@vfmc.org.au
www.vfmc.org.au / Facebook - Victorian Folk Music Club / 0411.750.462
Presented by The Victorian Folk Music Club Inc. reg. no. A2511Y ABN 28 668 156 704

Next Concert 9th April - The Dinkum Bohos / Linn Phipps

BERWICK FOLK CLUB..

21st January 2024 Club Get together. (Sunday) First meeting of the year is a recovery one. Bring a salad to share - We will supply the meat. BYO drinks and chair and instruments. Location to be advised

FOR YOUR MUSIC NEEDS, PFC MEMBERSHIP GETS YOU A DISCOUNT AT THESE LOCAL BUSINESSES

Guitars & Things 3e 415-417 Nepean Hwy
(cnr RossSmith Av F'ton Ph 97701765 15% Disc

Coleman's Music Centre.(was Cranbourne Music).
NOW ON-LINE ONLY 9799 5400 10% Disc.

Nepean Music Centre...U4/1 Morn-Tyabb Rd. M'ngton. Ph: 5975
0293 10% Disc

If undeliverable return to:
Peninsula Folk Club
c/o 410 McClelland Dr
Langwarrin 3910



**Dates to Remember Peninsula Folk Club
Club Night 3rd March, 7th April, 5th May**

First Sunday each Month 5.30 - 9.30pm

@ Frankston Bowling Clubrooms, Cnr Yuille & William Sts Frankston

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