

Newsletter August 2014

Levin Folk Music Club



Levin Folk Club: Second Friday of every month at 7:30pm
Entry \$5 members/\$8 non-members/\$3 children.
Horowhenua Scottish Society Hall, corner Bartholomew Road and Middlesex Street, Levin
<http://levinfolkmusicclub.webnode.com/>



Wellington singer songwriter Rob Joass - also in the band Hobnail and various other bands but this time is appearing solo and promoting a newly released solo album, 'Black and White'. Rob has earned praise for his songwriting throughout his career, and has had songs covered by bands in New Zealand, Australia and Canada. Hobnail's album 'The Fortune Horses' was a finalist for Best Folk Album while Rob has twice been a finalist for Best Country Song at the NZ music awards.



Filling out some of Rob's arrangements will be the wonderful Kim Bonnington on vocals and guitar, and Cameron 'Dusty' Burnell on vocals and mandolin.



This is our club's 25th Anniversary celebration. Please, if you are able, do bring along a special supper treat! Our special guests are Gumboot Tango from Taranaki.

Gumboot Tango have a long association with our folk club and will give you a great rousing musical celebration.

Join us for a wonderful night of remembering the origins of the folk club, the hard work of those who have kept it going and to celebrate its successes.

Committee members organising this event are Dale Webb, Andrew Salter, Anne Campbell



Our AGM was held last week.

The elected committee and their roles for 2014/2015 financial year are:

- Chris Lloyd (Chairman and Club Newsletter, Club Website)
- Anne Campbell (Secretary, Booking Officer)
- Kevin Watson (Treasurer),
- Jo Sheffield (Advertising- Posters) ,
- Andrew Salter (Membership Roster).
- Denise Howell-Styles
- Dale Webb

Positions outside of committee:

- Barbara Lucas (Publicity Officer)
- Ian Todd (Newspaper advertising)



August 22nd 7:30pm
Horowhenua Scottish Society Hall, 7:30pm



Your Club membership expired on 30 June. Please renew to continue to receive membership benefits.

CLUB NIGHT
Friday 8 August

ROB JOASS
with Kim
Bonnington and
Cameron Burnell

**Next
Month**

Sept 12th

**AGM
New
Committee**

**LFMC
Acoustic Night**

**Membership re-
newal due:**

Check the web site for all festival details and Early Bird Special Prices



Here comes the big 50th Wellyfest

Hi Everyone

Here's your first look at the folks who will be entertaining, inspiring and educating you at this year's Wellington Folk Festival over Labour weekend (24 to 27 October). It's an even longer list than usual and all these performers will be featured on our various stages over the 2 fully programmed days of the festival.

This year's is going to be a monster festival... as befits our half century celebration. Rather than build up to a single final "showcase" concert, this year we are presenting 3 celebration concerts: **Looking back** - featuring great contributors to this festival, the Wellington and New Zealand folk scene over the last 50 years; **Looking Forward** - will showcase current and potential stars of the next 50 years, and the Sunday night concert which will be a great closing show.

Along with our usual programme we've added an extra marquee venue for open mic and blackboard performances. As usual there will be workshops where you can brush up your skills, gain confidence or have a go at something new. If the choices prove too hard you can head to the popular Balladeer cafe venue with its invitation concert programme. You can just sit in there at any time to see a great and varied series of short concerts from new performers, well known locals, festival regulars and even some of the main festival guests.

Speaking of main festival guests... we've got a packed lineup and this would be a very long email if I profiled all of them... so to save email space here's a list: You'll see old names, new names, locals and some from exotic (or at least long distance) locations. Nearly all have a connection either as previous performers or attendees at the Wellington Folk Festival or as regular performers in Wellington. All of our headline overseas performers have played at this festival:

Al Young, Bear Cat, Bill Morris, Bohemian Nights, Chinook, Into the East, Jade, Joseph Balfe, Kevin McLoughlin, Martin & Eliza Carthy, Mike Harding, Millennium Hippies, Peter Dyer, The Federal String Band, The Jimmies, The Madillionaires, Windy City Strugglers

Our guests have profiles and links to their web sites on the festival website so head there to find out more..... www.wellingtonfolkfestival.org.nz.

Our facebook page www.facebook.com/Wellyfest has the most regular and interactive updates... like us to get or share all the news as it breaks!

Registrations will open 15 August. Early bird discounts available till 30 September. The first exciting and participative event will be voting for **The Peoples' Choice** - our facebook competition to allow you to choose a concert guest for the festival.

Look forward to seeing you at Labour weekend..... as usual, the festival will be held at the Brookfield Outdoor Education Centre at the end of Moores Valley Rd, Wainuiomata.

Cheers on behalf of the Committee
Gerard Hudson



Open to all.
Friendly welcome
assured

4. Riverslea Retreat, Riverslea Lodge, Otaki Gorge Road, 29– 31 August

The Riverslea Retreat is an annual highlight of the Acoustic Routes calendar. A great opportunity to drive away the winter blues, with warm company and wonderful music.

Located on the Otaki Gorge Road, Riverslea can accommodate up to 37 people, including people with disabilities and mobility problems. The lounge has a cosy log fire - a lovely room to play and socialize in. There is also a great kitchen and dining area.

Tea, coffee and milo are provided and there will be a shared meal on Saturday night. Pillow, pillow case and bottom sheet are provided on the bunks.

Charges are \$45 per night and \$25 for a day visitor. Please contact Anne McGregor to register: annemcgregor@xtra.co.nz or 2338567



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www.wellingtonbluegrass.net.nz



Mainly Acoustic

Second Tuesday of each month, Mayfair Cafe,
166 Main St, Upper Hutt, 7:30pm.
Contact: Kevin & Sue Meehan,
Ph 04 970 4008

Use the website links
to find out who the guests
are and what is on each week.