



# LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

November 2014 Newsletter.

*Meetings: 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*

[www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz/](http://www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz/)

## November Club Night.

CLUB NIGHT

14 NOV 2014

Acoustic night: 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 14

Next Club Night:

12 December 2014

Levin Folk Music Club Inc

C/- 22 Princes Street, Levin

[Contacts](#)

[Website](#)

This coming Club Night we will be hosting the '**Ruahine Rangers**'.

A four-piece bluegrass band with three members, the Ruahine Rangers are based in the Manawatu. Combining great instrumental skills with slick two- and three-part vocal harmonies, they play a mixture of classic and modern bluegrass, with a leavening of old time, folk, and original music.

Their repertoire includes bluegrass favourites like *Sitting on Top of the World* and *Road to Spencer*, as well as folk music like *Wayfaring Stranger* and *Jackero*. From slow, sweet ballads to toe-tapping breakdowns, they'll make you smile, make you cry, and make you get out of your seat and dance.

The band started entirely by accident. The first time Josh and Rosemary went busking together they were invited to play at the Fielding Rural Day. Realising they needed something extra in their sound, they shanghaied Nikki into the group and put on a performance. It was so much fun playing together as a group they decided the arrangement ought to be permanent.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of October they performed at the Wellington Bluegrass Society and the following review was by Wayne Robinson:

*"Having been around bluegrass music as a performer and a teacher for over 45 years, one gets to both hear and play a huge variety of music as it changes over time. Some bands change with it and others stay rooted in the old styles. Well, last Friday night at the WBS we heard a lovely mix of old and new from this new band who have only been together about a year. To describe their sound as 'delightful' is an understatement. Their repertoire of many old standards mixed with material they had written themselves was a joy to listen to. One danger of new performers/bands is to try and perform beyond their abilities, perhaps to impress. This did not happen with The Ruahine Rangers however. They appeared perfectly comfortable and competent with where they were at both vocally and instrumentally. This led to a wonderfully entertaining concert and fully engaged the audience. That is the true measure of success. They appear to have worked hard at their arrangements and it paid off. If this band stays together for the medium term at least, they will have a really great future and will grow and develop into a first rate band. Well done Rosemary, Nicola and Josh."*

Door charges: \$5.00 for members and \$8.00 for non-members, \$3.00 for children for the November Club night on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>. Light supper provided. We look forward to seeing you there and, if you are inclined, performing on the 1<sup>st</sup> half blackboard.

## RESIGNATION:

The Levin Folk Music Club Committee have received from Chris Lloyd his resignation, for personal reasons, as chairman and committee member. The committee appreciates the work Chris has done in the time since his appointment this year and are disappointed to lose his input.

We appreciate that Chris proposes to continue as a supportive club member.

The committee will continue to oversee all club matters and will, for their meetings, appoint an acting chairman from within the committee members present.

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*Acoustic Night.* November acoustic night is on Friday 28th - at the Horowhenua Scottish Society Hall, 7:30pm. \$2 entry.

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**NEWS** Check out the new website, keep up to date, have your say, answer polls and surveys, buy and sell, promote yourself for gigs, all this and more. Still a work in progress but feedback welcomed. [View Here.](#)



Wellyfest was a great success and congratulations go to Jo Sheffield for entering her own composition in the competition and winning a performance slot:

The name “welly” was quite apt for one of Jo’s supporters:



Jo supported by Kate and Charlie

**GUEST ARTISTS NEXT MONTH.**

December guests are Laura Collins and the Back Porch Band



**Other Music Clubs in the Region:** for details of what's on, use their links.

The logo for Acoustic Routes, featuring the text "Acoustic Routes" in a white, handwritten-style font on a dark blue rectangular background.

[acousticroutes.org.nz/](http://acousticroutes.org.nz/)

The logo for Kapiti Live Music, featuring the text "Kapiti Live Music" in a purple, cursive-style font on a yellow rectangular background with a wavy line below the text.

[www.klmc.org.nz](http://www.klmc.org.nz)

The logo for the Wellington Bluegrass Society, featuring the text "WELLINGTON BLUEGRASS SOCIETY" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font on a black rectangular background.

[wellingtonbluegrass.net.nz/](http://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

The logo for Kings Sound Centre, featuring the text "Kings Sound Centre" in a bold, white, sans-serif font on a black rectangular background.

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