



LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

APRIL 2016

Concert night: Second Friday of the month at 7:30pm

Entry \$5 members/\$10 non-members/\$3 children and school students

Horowhenua Scottish Society Hall, corner Bartholomew Road and Middlesex Street, Levin

www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz/

CLUB EVENTS

THIS MONTH

Friday, 8 April: Concert Night
Frank and Erin

Friday, 22 April: Club Night
with a sound system for an
open mic sing-a-round and
jam.

NEXT MONTH

Friday, 13 May: Concert Night
Cotton Daisy Backstep

Friday, 27 May: Club Night
sing around and jam.

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Frank and Erin

Join us on Friday, 8 April for another great concert night at the club. Our guest artists are Erin Manu and Frank John. Erin and Frank are well known for their



playing in the Fedz and Federal String Band. Frank hails from Amsterdam and is famous for his vocals, thumb-picking, bluegrass licks and technical brilliance on the guitar. His voice has been described as

Doc Watson and his playing as brilliant, yet unassuming. His musical influences include classical, jazz, punk and country. Erin is Taranaki born and raised. She has gained a reputation in the folk scene for beautiful vocals and her driving rhythm work on guitar and banjo. Together their repertoire ranges across folk, bluegrass, acoustic and American roots genres with some of their own beautiful compositions in the mix. We have thoroughly enjoyed their playing in other bands at the club and now we get to enjoy them as a duet. This is not to be missed.

Before our guests performs there will be a **blackboard concert** (7.30–8.45pm) followed by supper. Doors open at 7pm for blackboard booking.

Club Night

Come along at 7.30pm, on Friday, 22 April, to the Scottish Hall Bartholomew St Levin. There will be an open mic with lots of opportunities for playing and jamming. \$2 door charge for everyone with a cuppa and biscuit provided.

Feedback welcome

We welcome your suggestions and recommendations for guest bands/musicians. Comments and feedback from club nights are always appreciated, either through the website www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz or directly to a committee member.

May Guest Artists



Cotton Daisy Backstep

Cotton Daisy Backstep features Helena Triplett on banjo and vocals, Naomi Middleton on guitar and vocals, and Nick Bollinger on bass. They deliver up everything from boot-stomping fiddle songs to gospel, pre-country hillbilly songs and lonesome ballads. It comes hard and brash or sweet and high with traditional banjo and guitar. This genre of music is seldom heard in NZ. Mark this special concert in your diaries.

Club News

Thanks to all the club members who supported the March concert night and to the many helpers that made it run so smoothly. Across the Great Divide provided some unique and at times haunting interpretations of beautiful music. We now have 80 club members and it is fantastic to see so many of you supporting our regular club events.

Club Facebook Page: We have started a **Levin Folk Music** page on Facebook. It is a public page so anyone can join, or just look. It is a great way to make a comment, catch all the latest news, photos and comments from other members. To join just go into Facebook and link to the page.

Members Jackpot Draw: The draw was not claimed this month so jackpots to \$10 in April.

Members News

Meet a Member



Paul and Yvonne Holcombe have just moved to Levin and are new folk club members. They told me they couldn't be more pleased with their move and are particularly enjoying the large and lively music scene in Levin. Paul has played in many bands over the last 30 years. Having achieved early retirement, he now enjoys devoting more time to his music and has developed a unique solo style that builds songs up from scratch using a loop pedal. We can't wait to hear Paul play at the club. Meanwhile look out for him at the Ohau Market and Te Takere. The picture is Paul performing for the Cancer Society fundraiser at the Marangi (East Wind) Home and Garden open day.

Out and About



Silvawood played a cosy concert for coffee lovers in the courtyard at Caffeinate café in Levin. They really appreciated the support from folk club members. This is a great spot for coffee and enjoying music. Thanks Guy.



Dale caught Dan Walsh's concert at Himatangi Bowling Club which was set up by the Van de Weerts. Dan is an exceptionally skilled claw-hammer banjo musician and a superb UK singer, songwriter and guitarist. Dan was absolutely incredible, and it was obvious why he is a nominee for the BBC Folk Awards Best Musician. A hugely talented musician. (Thanks Dale)



Kevin and Ramon played a lunchtime gig at Te Takere on Friday 18 March. This was a beautiful performance by two talented and experienced musicians. We really appreciated the chance to sit back and soak in the atmosphere they created with their soft vocals and stunning guitar playing. Thanks Kevin and Ramon.

Have you got something to share? If you have any pics or news about club members out and about in the music scene that you would like included in the newsletter contact Colin (editor) at: colin-brown@xtra.co.nz

Picks & Tips for the Month

Chris's Digital Diary: Chris has found us a PC-based software program for creating and printing chords for most instruments called Neck Diagrams. <http://www.neckdiagrams.com/>. For example he used it to create chord books for a guitarlele that has all the chords used in a key. Thanks Chris.



Paul's (Kings Sound Centre Levin) Gear Pick

Take a look at the new in-store lounge area. Try out an instrument, listen to some music, or just relax. Across the shop you will see the second-hand gear display. Check out the range of instruments, amps, PAs and lots more. For something new Paul recommends the range of Laney Valve Amps (warm sound) and the A1 plus Laney Acoustic Amp (80 watts and made for electric acoustic guitars).

Other Music Events Coming Up



Te Takere Sunday Concert, 27 March is Matiu Te Huki: Matiu has a background in traditional Maori performing arts, theatre and fronting great bands. He was the founding member of popular NZ roots band Homefire Burning and has performed with the likes of Fat Freddy's Drop, Rhombus, Pitch Black, Tiki Taane, Anika Moa and many more of New Zealand's top artists.



Te Takere Sunday Concert 24 April is Jamming Knot: Jamming Knot plays Brazilian bossanova, choro and samba by South American composers including Antonio Carlos Jobim, Luiz Bonfá and Baden Powell, as well as originals. The group has played festivals and toured the South Island. Julie's love of Brazilian rhythms shines forth in her compositions.

Having performed her own music in venues in Rio where she studied and performed with local artists, Julie brings the passion of Brazilian music to the trio.



Legal Tender: House concert on 17 April. Ian and Moira will have Bullfrog Rata as their special guest. Book early at legaltenderband@gmail.com



Live at Tsunami Don't miss the **Daniel Champagne** concert on March 28, Monday of Easter weekend. **Note:** Tsunami Sound Studios are running new price deals for recording. \$300 per single day or \$250 per day for two or more booked days. All inclusive. Contact Adele: 021 161 9154

Camping Festivals (check Facebook/website for details)

Hamsterfest Matangi Sportsfield, Easter Weekend 2016

Tutira, Hawkes Bay on the 22–25 April 2016. This is a new festival and the organisers say, 'Traditional song in NZ needs a home of its own, so we're making it happen.' There will be concerts on the woolshed stage on Saturday/Sunday (lit and amplified) and some blackboard concerts organised but most other happenings will be free range. The organisers will post updates as any workshops and sessions are confirmed. They will be releasing all the info in the Tutira Tradfest fb group, and if you send them an email at tutirawhanau@gmail.com, they will keep you updated via email too.

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

Acoustic Routes

acousticroutes.org.nz/

WELLINGTON
BLUEGRASS SOCIETY

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Music

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