

LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

MAY 2016

Meetings: Second Friday of the month at 7:30pm Entry \$5 members/\$10 non-members/\$3 children and school students Horowhenua Scottish Society Hall, cnr Bartholomew Rd and Middlesex St www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz/

CLUB EVENTS

MAY

Friday, 13 May: Concert night with Cotton Daisy Backstep

Friday, 27 May: Club night with a sound system set-up for an open-mic sing-a-round and jam

Sat, 28 May: Club Music Month performance outside Caffeinate 10.2pm

JUNE

Friday, 10 June: Concert night with Rob Joass

Friday, 24 June: Club night

Levin Folk Music Club Inc ^c/_o 22 Seddon St, Levin Contacts Website

Club Night

Come along on Friday 27
May, 7.30pm to the Scottish
Hall Bartholomew St Levin.
We will have a sound system
set up for you to use and lots
of opportunities for playing
and jamming. \$2 door charge
for everyone with a cuppa and
biscuit provided. New players
always welcome.

Concert Night: Cotton Daisy Backstep



Join us on Friday, 13 May for another great concert night. Our guest artists are Cotton Daisy Backstep featuring Helena Triplett on banjo and vocals, Naomi Middleton on guitar and vocals, and Nick Bollinger on bass. They are a newly formed Wellington band playing old-time Appalachian Mountain string band music from the hills of West Virginia to North Carolina and beyond.

Helena spent 10 years in West Virginia steeped in the local music traditions and Naomi has made a number of trips to North Carolina to learn old-time guitar. Nick Bollinger, past member of the iconic kiwi band The Windy City Strugglers provides that bottom end boom on the double bass.

They deliver up everything from boot-stomping fiddle songs to gospel, pre-country hillbilly songs and lonesome ballads. This genre of music is seldom heard in NZ and audiences often take to stomping and dancing or maybe dabbing the tears at some lonesome tale of woe. With their 1930s dress and high lonesome harmonies Cotton Daisy Backstep revive the old songs of the pioneers, haunting ballads, tales of moonshine, and old gospel thumpers. They will bring a truly unique experience to our club.

Blackboard

Before our guests perform there will be a blackboard concert (7.30–8.45pm) followed by supper. Doors open at 7pm for blackboard booking. This is going to be a wonderful and unique concert not to be missed.

June - Rob Joass



Rob will be our concert night guest artist on 10 June. Rob is well known as a member of highly successful bands, Hobnail, Too Many Chiefs and the Shot Over Band. He has released two solo albums

and has gained a reputation as a fine songwriter. His songs have been covered by other NZ and international artists and have featured as finalists in major song writing contests. His concert will be a great night of music from one of our most experienced and accomplished musicians.

Feedback

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

Club News

Music Month Levin (Jo Sheffield)

We have a great opportunity to showcase the musicians from our club on Saturday 28th May for May Music Month, organised by Kings Sound Centre, Levin. The Folk Club is organising four hours of live music outside Caffeinate at the very top of Queen Street (by the Traffic lights and opposite the Warehouse) on Saturday 28th May from 10:00 - 14:00 hrs and I am on the scout for volunteers to play. We had a great time last year and it's a good opportunity to get together as musicians as well as promote our folk club locally. If you would be interested in playing (probably be a minimum of 2-3 songs, depending on how many people are interested) please can you let me know by Sunday 15th May, to give me time to organise the order of play and get back to you with you with a guide on timings etc. We will have the club sound system on hand to plug in, so no need to bring anything except yourselves, your voices and your instruments. Please email your response to josheffield@ihug.co.nz

Logo Competition Vote

All club members should have received voting forms for our logo competition. If for some reason you haven't, contact Colin. Please take the time to email or phone in your vote to Colin by the 6 May. We want our logo to reflect the preference of the majority of our members. Contact: colin-brown@xtra.co.nz or 06 3670911 to vote or if you need more information.

Performing at Te Takere

Te Takere is on the look-out for volunteers to perform for their Friday lunchtime music concerts. They have invited folk club members who are interested in performing to contact Ramon or Nick at Te Takere nickv@tetakere.org.nz or RamonO@tetakere.org.nz to book a slot. There is a PA, mics, amps, keyboards stands etc available and they really appreciate and support local musicians. The audience is largely Te Takere visitors who may come for the concert or drop in for tea, lunch and a listen.

Ohau Market

The Ohau market is held at the Ohau Hall (3km south of Levin) every 3rd Saturday of the month. There is an opportunity for musicians to perform/busk at the venue. If you are interested contact Kevin Watson at, taketwo@paradise.net.nz

Radio Y

Have you heard Radio Y in Levin? It's a low power FM station playing music for grownups, including some folk and a bit of modern country. It just serves Levin and the surrounding area at the moment, but is expanding to cover Foxton and Shannon asap. It's on 87.7 MHz, and it's independent. If you have a recording of your music on CD and you'd like it aired, email the station at radioy@xtra.co.nz with your name and contact details.

Club Helpers

We have all seen the great job the club helpers do at our concert nights. If you would like to lend a hand it would be greatly appreciated. Just let the people at the door know you would like to be a helper or email Jill on: jillandguy@xtra.co.nz

Members Jackpot Draw

April's members draw was won by Colin Turner. Back to \$5 for May concert night.

Facebook

We have started a Levin Folk Music page on Facebook. It is a public page so anyone can join. 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 News (Dale Webb)



Over Anzac weekend, I camped at the inaugural Tutira Tradfest in HB and enjoyed a wonderful festival with traddie and folk friends. The site was beautiful farmland with the woolshed transformed into a concert venue, and many improvements

made to make camping easy. Easily the highlights were the hospitality and warm friendships, singing sessions and concerts, and moody moonlit singing by the firepit till the early hours. Victoria and Toby were amazing hosts and I'm sure everyone left with big smiles and songs stuck in their minds. I can't wait till next year!

Meet a Member



Jennie Cavaye was born in India and came to NZ when she was six. She and Rod moved to Paraparaumu from Lower Hutt in 2005. Jennie first came to the LFMC to hear

her favourite local band Legal Tender play. After over 40 years playing country and western music she rediscovered her folk music roots and has been a regular club blackboard performer for the last 3 years. Jennie is a life member of the Wellington Country and Western Club and has performed at the Paraparaumu Country Music Club for over 10 years. She played in a country and western band called Roundup for 6 years and with her daughter performed on Opportunity Knocks and Telethon. Her music influences include the greats of country music such as Emmylou Harris and Linda Ronstadt, stalwarts of the folk tradition like Woody Guthrie and John Prine and those beautiful Irish women singers. We have a lot to thank Legal Tender for.

Picks & Tips for the Month

Chris's Digital Diary

Chris has found this really handy app you might like to check out. Wurrly – an IPad and Android app https://www.wurrly.com/ transforms your smartphone into an on-the-go music studio with a fully customizable recording artist experience.

Paul's (Kings Sound Centre) Gear Pick

Have you had a look at the growing collection of second hand instruments in store. A good range of piano accordions, vintage guitars and even an autoharp are available. Paul also recommends the Casio CK3200 keyboard with a free stand, Casio headphones and adaptor, all for \$300.

Other Music Events Coming Up

Bent Horseshoe Presents

Other Roads are playing at Joseph Street Kitchen, 55 Joseph Street, Palmerston North. Wednesday 11 May, 7:30pm – 10:00pm. Having wowed audiences at the Auckland Folk Festival and performing at sold-out gigs last year, this will be their last visit to New Zealand for a while and your chance to catch them live! Anyone who wants a meal should arrive 6-6.30 ish as there will be no meals served during the concert. Tickets are limited to 50 because of the size of the venue. Contact: steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz or Ph. (06) 329 8808

Bullfrog Rata and Shayn Wills singing the songs of Bob Dylan Saturday 21st May at the Hokowhitu Bowling Club Albert Street Palmerston North. \$20.00 Showtime 7.30pm. Bullfrog Rata and Shayn Wills two of NZ's finest acoustic blues/folk players team up for a night of obscure and popular Bob Dylan songs. If you're into Bob Dylan or just into great lyrical and musical songs, then don't be anywhere else but the Hokowhitu Bowling Club and be there early to guarantee your seat! Contact steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz or Ph. (06) 329 8808

Te Takere (Nick Van Dijk)

May 29th Sunday evening concert is The Nina Simone Tribute: I Put a Spell on You featuring Mario Wuts (from Napier) and her sextet. Also we invite musos to book in a time that suits them any day during May with Ramon or myself to celebrate NZ music month. On the 28th we are hosting a stage and backing band for vocalists as part of Kings Sound Centre's day of music.

Live at Tsunami



Cabin Fevre is coming to Tsunami on their cd launch tour and Erin Manu and Frank John are playing with them. Friday 20 May at 7.00pm in the new Tsunami venue. (Still at Kimberley site but in a new

building). Contact Adele on 021 161 9154 or adele@tmv.co.nz.

Tsunami Studios Open Day

Tsunami will be hosting an open day on Sat 21st during May music month - From 1pm - so guests can check out the newly refurbished studio complex.). Contact Adele on 021 161 9154 or adele@tmv.co.nz.

Camping Festivals (check Facebook/website for details)

Mid Winter Holler

The Mid Winter Holler - americana music weekend will be held at Tatum Park 1-3 July. A weekend indulgence of great music, workshops and the Mid Winter Feast and Concert on the Saturday night - For details email midwinterholler@outlook.com

Folk Under the Mountain: a cosy, friendly folk music festival hosting special guests from NZ, OZ and the UK. This is based in Te Aroha and begins Friday May 13 with an informal jam, then a program of artists from 10 am Saturday and Sunday, with a barn dance hosted by Bush Telegraph on Saturday night. You will need to book accommodation around town and it sounds like a wonderful weekend away. Details on facebook.

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

Acoustic Routes

acousticroutes.org.nz/

KapitLiveusic

www.klmc.org.nz

WELLINGTON BLUEGRASS SOCIETY	wellingtonbluegrass.net.nz
Mainly Acoustic	Second Tuesday, Mayfair Cafe, Contact: Kevin & Sue Meehan, 04 970 4008

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