

# LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

**JULY 2016** 

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**

#### **JULY**

Friday, 8 July: Concert night with Gallimaufry

**Friday, 22 July:** AGM and club night

#### **AUGUST**

Friday, 12 August:

Concert night with Rhodeworks

Friday, 26 August: Club night with a sound system set-up for an open-mic sing-a-round and jam

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# **Club Night & AGM**

The AGM will be at the beginning of our club night on Friday 22 July 7.30pm in the Scottish Hall Bartholomew St Levin. The AGM will be followed by supper and a sing-around and jam.

# **Concert Night: Gallimaufry**



Join us on Friday, 8 July for another great concert night. Gallimaufry are our guest artists. They are a group of musical mates from Palmerston North. Wayne on bass and vocals; Jane (1) guitar and lead vocals; Jane (2) fiddle, percussion and vocals; Di on mandolin, tin whistle, bodhran and vocals. A mix of musical styles ranging from classic Celtic, through country/gospel and folk – with odds and ends to surprise you. They have a reputation as a band that will get your feet tapping. This will be a midwinter concert to remember.

#### Blackboard

Before our guests perform there will be a blackboard concert (7.30–8.45pm) followed by supper. The recent changes approved by the committee in the amended guidelines will apply (see LFMC website). Bookings for the 16 blackboard slots will open at 7pm at a table in front of the stage. All performances are one item of no more than 5 minutes. Backing instrumentals to support others is encouraged. A carry-over reserve list to next month's blackboard will be kept. The intention is to give performers a fair go and our audience a great concert. We appreciate everyone's co-operation and look forward to hearing the performances.

### **August - Rhodeworks**



Rhodeworks are our amazing guest artists on 12 August. They are a family band from Te

Akatea, 25 mins out of Hamilton. They play a range of styles including bluegrass, blues and Celtic music. They have been performing at the local farmers markets, and at the local Blues and Bluegrass clubs, and various shows, and folk festivals around New Zealand. They have built a reputation as accomplished musicians and consummate professionals. Get ready to be impressed.

#### **Club News**

#### **Notice of Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

The AGM will be held on Friday 22 July at 7.30pm in the Scottish Society Hall Bartholomew Rd. The AGM meeting will be followed by supper and club night singaround and jam.

Subscriptions are due 30 June 2016 or at the AGM. Please note that only financial members are eligible to nominate or vote in elections, and to discuss and vote on motions.

#### Special Note

- 1. If any financial member wishes to bring a motion to the AGM, it must be in written form, signed and seconded by a financial member of Levin Folk Music Club Inc and provided to the secretary by 8 July 2016.
- 2. If any financial member wishes to bring a motion to the AGM to amend the constitution, it must be in written form, signed and seconded by a financial member of Levin Folk Music Club Inc and provided to the secretary by 1 July 2016.

#### Can you help?

The strength of any club rests on the experience, talents and involvement of its members. Your attendance at the AGM is really important and please consider whether you would like to join the committee to help guide the club through 2017. Nominations are very welcome.

#### **Draft Concert Night Guidelines**

The committee has approved the amended blackboard concert guidelines after considering feedback from members. Members will be emailed a copy before the July concert and they will also be up on the website. The blackboard concert is a core part of our concert night and club culture. The committee believe the changes will give all performers a chance to perform at their best and ensure our audience gets an enjoyable concert.

#### **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

#### **Music Month Levin**



The wonderful day of music has come and gone but I thought you might be interested in the comments from the national organiser of Music Month about the Levin event. He wrote to Eboney saying:

I'm currently in the process of writing reports on how well the month went — Levin is once again being held up as an example of the sort of thing we'd ideally like to see happen in other centres — what you're doing is exactly the sort of thing we hope for: Local people putting on local musicians in local spaces performing to locals. Also something we can't force or make happen—it takes people like yourself... and every year another star like yourself pops up and makes a difference in their community — and the best thing about all of this, it's all about having a good time! My mission next year is to get there for your day ... I'm confident that will happen as my bosses get what it is you're doing and want me to find ways we can support you more:)

Awesome effort Eboney and Levin. (Ed)

#### **Members Jackpot Draw**

May's members draw was not claimed so jackpots to \$15 for the July concert night.

#### **Members News**

#### **Performances**



Jo and Helen's house concerts in Levin and Wellington were a great success. I have heard comments like, really professional, thoughtful

songs, beautiful harmonies, a really lovely event and I am sure just the beginning of Jo and Helen's musical success. They have a third concert coming up in Palmerston North in two weeks time, so watch out for details. Jo says, 'We are really enjoying playing together, although practice is a bit of a logistical nightmare with Helen being in Pirongia and me being in Levin. We work around it as best we can and join it all together when we meet up, if we're lucky, twice a month.' If you want to hear some of the music they've been playing, check out their Facebook site <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Jo-Helen-1576364849341363/">https://www.facebook.com/Jo-Helen-1576364849341363/</a> and also check here for details of their next house concert, being held at Ruth and Gerard's on Sunday 3 July.

#### **Keith Heginbotham**



Keith reckons this product is tried and true and a must have. I couldn't possibly comment. (Ed)

#### **Meet a Member**



Rona charts her McLeod ancestry back to the Isles of Raasay and Skye and remembers at an early age singing Scottish and popular songs around the piano with her family. At 19 she went to teachers training college in Auckland and by chance ended up in a music course where she

learned the guitar and recorder. She started her teaching career in Auckland and was invited to the Devonport

Folk Club where she became a regular attendee. In 1986 she moved to Levin and started playing music with others at Shenanigans Coffee Bar. This group evolved into the Levin Folk Club in 1989. She has always loved singing, particularly a cappella and harmony. Inspired by Legal Tender, she learned to play the bass guitar to fill a gap in the Atrix Band line-up. She also plays a variety of whistles which she learned at the Gaidhealtachd summer school in the early 90s. In 2011, Rona initiated the Ukuladies of Levin, which now has many players. They are in hot demand and gig a couple of times a month. Her belief in the power of music was extended when she completed a music therapist qualification at Massey University. Music has been a core part of Rona's 35 years as a teacher and she continues to teach the children of Levin the joy of playing and sharing music. Rona says she loves music that tells a story and includes many Celtic and New Zealand songs in her play list. Her music influences include Emmylou Harris, Maddy Prior, Steeleye Span, Joan Baez, Dougie MacLean, Leonard Cohen, Neil Young, and New Zealand artists, Mike Harding, Marcus Turner to name a few. She in turn continues to influence the lives of many others, both young and old through music. The LFMC has been a place where Rona has continued to share and develop her love of music. (Ed)

# Picks & Tips for the Month

#### **Chris's Digital Diary**

Chris very kindly donated a set of Fred Kelly finger picks to the club for the June raffle. Congratulations Jennie Cavaye who won these. If you would like a set for yourself or any other similar product Chris says check out Fred Kelly Picks <a href="http://fredkellypicks.com/">http://fredkellypicks.com/</a>.



# Paul's (Kings Sound Centre) Gear Pick

Take a look at the range of handmade ukuleles in store. They are made from a mix of rimu, tawa and rewarewa with cedar soundboards and bone nuts. They are beautiful instruments

and have a very special sound. Ukulele players will enjoy looking at and playing these instruments.

# **Other Music Events Coming Up**

#### Live at Tsunami



The Frank Burkitt Band: **Sat, 23 July.** Meet and greet from 7pm. Concert starts around 7.30pm. \$15 door sales, (no eftpos

available). Supper provided. New concert rooms at Tsunami Sound Studios – Speldhurst Country Estate. 70 Kimberley Road, Levin.

Book with Adele: 021 161 9154 or adele@tmv.co.nz.

#### **Bent Horseshoe Presents**

Sat, 23 July, Legal Tender, at the Hokowhitu Bowling Club. \$20

Sat, 30 July, Charlotte Yates, at Joseph St Kitchen. \$15 website www.charlotteyates.com

For information on concerts and bookings contact Steve at: <a href="mailto:steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz">steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz</a> or Ph. (06) 329 8808

#### Te Takere Live (Contact: Nick Van Dijk)

Sat, 2 July Wordfest: An open mic session from 1pm—2pm for poets of all ages to strut their stuff in a supportive environment. If you have a poem, limerick, story or rap you would like to share, book yourself in at Te Takere by Fri, 1 July.



At 2pm Bill Manhire will give a free talk 'Oops! Making mistakes to make your writing better.'

Norman Meehan is a

New Zealand jazz pianist and composer. Norman gives a free author's talk at 3pm and performs a concert at 4:30pm with vocalist Hannah Griffin and saxophonist Blair Latham with songs introduced by Bill Manhire. Concert tickets are \$10 available at Te Takere.

Fri, 15 July, 10am: Children's entertainer for Winter Warmers Holiday Programme: Murtle Chickpea.

Fri, 15 July 12noon: Lunchtime concert Gladstone Road (Andrew, Anne & Han)

Fri, 15 July, 7pm: Youth Space JAM

Fri, 22 July, 12noon: Lunchtime concert Kevin Watson Jazz Trio (Kevin, Paul & Colin)

Sun, 31 July, 2pm: Kevin Clark and Fran Barton



Pianist trumpet player composer Kevin Clark is one of New Zealand's celebrated awardwinning jazz musicians. Vocalist Fran Barton is a

very experienced and popular television and radio recording artist. She has a wide repertoire, including popular jazz standards in the Dianne Krall, Ella Fitzgerald and Carol King styles. Fran and Kevin have worked together since the seventies.

#### **LILY'S RANCH HOUSE**

Thurs, 7 July, Muso Nite. Theme is "American Music". \$2 door entry as usual. Lily's opens at 6pm. Bar, meals and light snacks available. For further information please contact Kathy on 021-438842 or 367-0251 or kathy@lilys.co.nz

# 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 midwinter feast and concert on Saturday night – For details email midwinterholler@outlook.com

Strathean weekend at Te Horo, 15–17 July.

#### Legal Tender Norfolk Island Country Music Festival

We are contemplating hosting a tour group to The Norfolk Island Country Music Festival next May and wondering if some of you may be interested in this. The package includes airfares, accom for the week and concert passes. Waiting on final costings but somewhere between \$2000 and \$2500 and of course being hosted by Moi and me. If you have any initial interest please let me

know as soon as possible as the more the merrier and cheaper. (Ian)

#### **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 <a href="https://www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz">www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz</a>/ or directly to a committee member.

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



acousticroutes.org.nz/



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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