

## LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

## OCTOBER 2017

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**

## OCTOBER Friday 13 October

Concert Night with
Gillian Boucher and Bob
McNeill

#### Friday 27 October

Club Night

## NOVEMBER Friday 10 November

Concert Night with Maven Ravens and Neil Billington at the Levin RSA

#### Friday 24 November

#### Club Night

Levin Folk Music Club Inc c/o 106 Kawiu Rd, Levin Contacts Website

# Club Night: Friday 24 November

Come a long and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of our club night at the Scottish Hall. It is a great opportunity to perform on your own or jam and join in with others. All welcome 7.30pm, \$2 entry with light supper.

### **Concert Night with Gillian Boucher and Bob McNeill**



Our guests for October concert night are Gillian Boucher and Bob McNeill. They are award winning artists who blend contemporary and traditional songs with percussive guitar and slicing fiddle. Gillian and Bob are a dynamic duo, presenting a heart-wrenching and toe-tapping show that take audiences on a journey from the rocky shores of Scotland and Ireland to the rolling hills of Nova Scotia Canada. They have blown audiences away at the Wellington Folk Festival and were a headlining act at the Auckland Folk Festival last year. As one of the hottest acts on the New Zealand folk scene, Gillian and Bob take what you know about traditional Celtic music and bring it to another level. Gillian is one of Nova Scotia's most well-known fiddlers and has been delighting audiences with her innovative and expressive take on traditional music since she began touring at age fifteen. Bob is a 3 time New Zealand Music Award recipient for Best Folk Album of the Year. His songs have been covered by artists in New Zealand, Scotland, Australia and the USA. His musical and song writing style is a hybrid of the Celtic music of his native Scotland and the American new folk and Americana styles. Together they will bring something special to our October concert night. Don't miss it. (Ed)

#### **Blackboard Concert**

Bookings for the blackboard slots will open at 7pm. All performances are one item of no more than 5 minutes. We look forward to hearing our talented blackboard artists.

Congratulations to all our blackboard performers last month. Special thanks to Jo and Helen on a superb floor spot and our thoughts and best wishes go with Helen as she heads back to Ireland. We will miss you.

### **November Concert Night**





Our guest artists for November concert night are Raven Mavens and Neil Billington. Reminder this concert will be held at the Levin RSA. (32 Bristol Street Levin). In their bio they say: "Raven Mavens, Cindy Muggeridge and Marian Carter are two slinky songbirds. They have a love of the evergreen, bright and breezy, jazz and bluesy songs that take you places and put a twinkle in your eye. With Cindy rocking the boogie and blues on piano and Marian on soulful clarinet, these two fun-loving and versatile performers bring a sassy, sizzling, happy-golucky slant to their music". For our concert we also get the amazing Neil Billington and his mouth harps.

#### Club News

#### **LFMC Wellyfest Concert**

A reminder that our club has been scheduled to perform a concert in the Balladeer Tent at Wellyfest. If you are going to be there and would like to play please talk to Cavan Haines (06 3640176) who is organising our performance.

#### **Ohau Market**

A reminder that our club provides background music at the Ohau Market on the third Saturday of the month. If you would like to play a spot please contact Kevin Watson on 06 368 8337

#### **House Concerts Coming Up**

Bookings to <a href="mailto:dalewebb143@gmail.com">dalewebb143@gmail.com</a>

#### Vikki Clayton & Gilly Darbey



**Wed Oct 25:** Hosted by Rona and Jeremy (First house on the right up Heatherlea West Road).

After 7pm for 7:30 start, supper provided, byo drinks, \$15.

No dogs please

#### **Owen Hugh**



**Sun Nov 26.** Hosted by Jean Hollis (110A Muhunoa West Rd, Ohau).

After 2:30 pm for 3pm start, bring a plate, byo drinks, \$10.

No dogs please

#### **Members Jackpot Draw**

Congratulations Marie Buzan. Marie picked up the \$5.00 members draw this month.

#### Meet a Member - Liz Davies



Liz was born in Watford Hertfordshire and travelled a lot as her father was in the Royal Air Force. She started singing at school in the North of England before progressing to local

choirs. Her father got stationed at Tengah in Singapore and while there, Liz sang in various folk clubs and messes on the camps. This is also where she met her husband Griff and they married in 1972 in Norwich. She sang as guest artist at various folk clubs in Norfolk and Suffolk before appearing on the main stage in a bluegrass group called the Radio Cowboys at the 8th Cambridge Folk Festival. She performed alongside some big names such as Ralph McTell, Jasper Carrot and the Dubliners. (Just saying, Ed) Liz also sang at the Hereford Cider Festival and The Grand Ole Opry England in Newmarket. She sang Pal of Mine by Joan Baez who remains one of her favourite song writers and singers. She also sang on Anglia Television and after passing an audition, was to appear in Opportunity Knocks. However, she didn't get to appear on the show because they emigrated to NZ in 1974. They settled in Palmerston North (As you do, Ed) where she joined The Palmerston North Operatic Society. She sang in many shows including Half a Sixpence with the late Rob Guest and Jesus Christ Superstar as "Mary" with Brent Brodie as Judas. She remembers fondly her time performing in shows where they made lots of friends and enjoyed a great social life. Griff made scenery and did lots of backstage work with the occasional stage appearance. Liz has also appeared on Television in Opportunity Knocks and Singer for Asia.

She sang with the Manawatu Jazz Club Big Band and

appeared in several Telethons. She was involved in Music Halls and appeared in the opening of the refurbished Regent. Liz now largely entertains in rest homes in the Manawatu- Horowhenua district, and private clubs. Griff has recently started singing with Liz. Griff is also a member of the Manawatunes Barbershop Chorus and their son Richard also sings and plays guitar. She started playing at the Levin Folk Club 6 or 7 years ago and her first blackboard performance was Wall of Tears. (I remember the wow from the audience that night, Ed) Liz reckons the Levin Folk Music Club is a great venue to sing new and challenging songs and surprisingly she still gets nervous singing on the blackboard. (Who would know I say, Ed). Her favourite artists include Joan Baez, the Beatles, Billy Joel, Robbie Williams and Judith Durham. Her favourite song to perform is "There But For Fortune". We are so fortunate to have Liz performing at the Folk Club and I want to acknowledge the wealth of experience, artistry and commitment she brings to each of her performances. (Thanks Liz, Ed)

#### **Farewell to Ian Todd**



A number of LFMC members attended Ian's funeral along with many of his folk music friends from Wellington. We were pleased to be able to gather with Ian's family at the RSA after the funeral to sing some songs and share some memories of Ian. Our best wishes go out to Ian's family and friends.

## Picks & Tips for the Month

**From Chris:** This site is very useful for guitar and other music info:

#### http://www.oolimo.com/guitarchords/analyze

And I found an app for Android phones called Guitar Chords Finder by Music Trainer on PlayStore. There is also a reasonable Android app about Circle of Fifths by WeSoftLab. (I checked out the website and it is really helpful). Thanks Chris

**From Cavan:** Cavan apologises for picking quite a grim one this month. (I said no worries Cavan, folkies love a bit of grim. Ed) Check this out.

http://www.regmeuross.com/faraway-people-austerity-is-a-lie/

#### Paul's (Kings Sound Centre)



Looking for a new or used amp?
Drop in and check out what Paul
has in store. Mini to huge,
busking to concert, instrument
and mic, there will be one that is

just right for you.

### **Other Music Events Coming Up**

#### **Tsunami Live Concert Venue**



Helen Dorothy
Sat 14th October, 7.30pm
Helen is "an acoustic folk artist in an honest sense" (NZ Musician, 2009).
She writes "beautifully-crafted, intelligent songs rich in memorable

imagery" (fRoots Magazine UK, Jan 2014). Her expressive guitar work accompanies a unique voice. Helen's second studio album, 'Watching Ghosts...and Other Songs', was selected as a fRoots favourite in 2014. She has just completed her latest release 'Light Time & Sound' at Tsunami Sound Studio, featuring PLot, virtuoso blues harp player Neil Billington and cellist Janet Holborow. Helen will be supported by PLot, the gloriously groovy combination of Paul and Lott! Two highly musical monkeys combining their powers for the good of mankind. Helen will be doing her utmost to keep these bearded bandits in check. Together they will be embarking on a musical mission to engage, enthral, amuse, delight, and move the audience, in celebration of her new album of songs.

#### Details

Sat 14th October, 7.30pm \$15 cash door charge. Supper provided. 70 Kimberley Road. Speldhurst Estate Levin

Bookings to Adele - 021 161 9154 or adele@tmv.co.nz

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

#### Piano Bar This Friday and every Friday

Bar, espresso and meals available. Lily's opens at 6pm. Please phone Lily on 06-3670251 or 021-438842 if you wish to have a meal.

#### Thursday 5 October - Muso Nite - From 6pm

Tonight's theme is Ed Sheeran. Lily's is going modern! Ed Sheeran has taken the world by storm with numbers such "Shape of You", "Galway Girl" and "Thinking Out Loud" Bar, meals and espresso available. Please phone, text or email Lily to reserve your table 021-438842, kathy@lilys.co.nz

## Friday 6 October - Ainsley - \$10 door entry, 7.30pm.

Solo performer of covers and originals, Ainslie introduced herself to Levin during NZ Music month, performing country rock and blues. Many were taken with her vocal clarity and guitar playing. Come along and support her. Concert commences at 7.30pm with a \$10 door entry. Booking are essential if you wish to dine, phone or text Kathy on 021-438842

# Saturday 4 November - Rainy Jack - \$10 door entry - 7.30pm

The members of Rainy Jack are well known to Lily's. Come along tonight to hear their jazz/ blues/ rock. Good dancing music and sing along material.

Blackboard menu, bar and espresso available, bookings essential if you wish to dine.

#### Te Takere

Always lots on at Te Takere. Check out their website for details.

#### **Bent Horseshoe Presents**

Bookings Tel 06 329 8808 or email

steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz

### **Festivals Coming Up**

#### Wellyfest

Labour Weekend, Brookfield Outdoor Education Centre, Moores valley, Wainuiomata.

For more information and registration use contacts below.

#### Email (general enquiries)

info@wellingtonfolkfestival.org.nz

Email (registrations/tickets)

registrations@wellingtonfolkfestival.org.nz

Operau Acoustic, Kawhia: Nov 10-12

Newgrass Festival, Tutira: Nov 17-20

WAAM Festival, Motu Moana Camp, Auckland: Nov 24-27

#### **Camp Rangi Woods**

You need to be a member of the Palmerston North Folk Club to attend the retreat. The good news is that membership is only \$10.00.

Contact: palmyfolkclub@gmail.com for more information.



#### **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.

## **Members Playing Up**

## **September Concert Night**

(Photos courtesy of Kate Lang)

NB: Despite what the layout might suggest all our performers were not playing duets. Ed



















### Other Music Clubs in the Region

For details of what's on use their links.



acousticroutes.org.nz/



www.klmc.org.nz

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

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Support our local music store. Show your membership card in store for a discount. Visit the Sound Centre's website (www.ksc.net.nz/) to see what is on offer at our local music store. You'll be surprised at the range available. From guitar picks and music stands, music books, ukuleles to sound systems, amplifiers, recording equipment and more.



The Horowhenua Chronicle supports the LFMC by publishing an article each month advertising our Concert Nights. This is one of the main ways we let our community know what is happening at the club. Thanks to the Chronicle for this important support.