



# LEVIN FOLK MUSIC CLUB INC

## APRIL 2018

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

### CLUB EVENTS

#### APRIL

**Friday 13 April**

Concert night with  
Melling Station Boys

**Friday 27 April**

Club night

#### MAY

**Friday 11 May**

Concert night with Sage  
Plus and Simple Gifts

**Friday 25 May**

Club night

Levin Folk Music Club  
Inc

c/o 106 Kawi Rd, Levin

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### Concert Night with Melling Station Boys



Our guest artists on 13th April are the Melling Station Boys. I am reliably told these likely lads from the Hutt know how to step it up. They are four talented musicians from the Wellington Bluegrass Society. "These good ol' boys are not only steeped in the bluegrass tradition but also have a penchant for art deco buildings, Dilmah tea and date loaf." They bring sweet bluegrass and wry humour to their performances.

### Blackboard Concert

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

### March Concert Night

Hobnail gave us a wonderfully warm and engaging performance with a mix of music that left everyone wanting more. Also a great blackboard concert. We all appreciate the effort our blackboard artists put into their performances. You continue to strengthen this popular part of our concert nights. Thanks to all the helpers. Really nice muffins Val.



### Club Night: Friday 27 April

Come along 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.



Andrew gave us some classy banjo picking and singing. Thanks for your performance Andrew.

### March Club Night

A big thanks to all those who came along to the March Club Night. We had about 20 performers and some beautiful music was played. We set up a mic for those wanting to use it and enjoyed some great backing from Kevin, Paul and others. We got to hear new club members Gill Allen and Kate Ward perform as a recently formed duet. Thanks to Val for great supper and everyone for sharing their music.

### May Concert Night will be a double act: Simple Gifts and Sage Plus

**Sage Plus** (Murray Kilpatrick/Sue Rose/Susan Ellis).



**Sage Plus** have been playing together for many years. The line-up includes Sue Rose on vocals, Murray Kilpatrick on

accordion, guitar, mandolin and vocals and Susan Ellis on fiddle and cello. They perform folk, jazz blues and some originals.

**Simple Gifts** (Philippa Gander and Sue Rose)



**Simple Gifts** specialise in vocal harmonies and some unusual and also very old melodies.

Philippa plays the hurdygurdy

## Club News

### Himatangi Hootenanny, Queen's Birthday



**Jo Sheffield** is organising the second Himatangi Hootenanny after the success of last year's event.

When: Queens Birthday Weekend

Where: At the Himatangi Beach Campground

Book a cabin or bring your camper for the Friday to Monday folk weekend, and enjoy making and sharing music! A good time guaranteed, and lots happening on the beach that weekend.

### 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

### Members Draw

Val won the members draw in March so it is back to \$5 for April concert night.

### House Concerts for April



**Mandy Connell and Girl Friday**

When: 15 April 2018 at 2pm

Where: At Christine and Andrew Colpman's place, 49 Vista Road, Ohau –

Bookings to [dalewebb143@gmail.com](mailto:dalewebb143@gmail.com)

Admission is \$10 and small plate for afternoon tea appreciated. All welcome.

Mandy Connell and Girl Friday Award winning songwriters and well-loved in Victoria and Australia, they head to New Zealand to make new friends and see

new horizons. Mandy Connell has a striking voice and an immense command of her space. A strong story teller, Mandy is completely spellbinding, leaving no doubts as to her skills with words, and with her handmade guitars

Girl Friday (Tracey Hogue) with her folk, jazz and blues sensibilities evokes a sense of nostalgia, innocence and melancholy. Her rich, soulful voice and heartfelt lyrics remind us that people have felt and sung about the same things forever and a day. Girl Friday's arrangements mark her out as a talented writer on ukulele and guitar, and it's her evocative, tender style that has us in the palm of her gently strumming hand.

## Other Music Events Coming Up

### Tsunami Live Concert Venue

#### Mark & Cindy Lemaire

Saturday 14th April at 7.30pm - \$15, Supper provided



Mark has been performing on guitar since he was twelve. Originally from New England, by the time he was in high school he was writing songs and playing the coffeehouses in Boston and Cambridge.

Mark moved to the San Francisco area in 1985, planning to perform more and engineer a little less. He opened for Maria Muldaur at the legendary Sweetwater in Mill Valley, and for Steve Seskin and Even Dozen Jug Band, founder and folk icon Stefan Grossman at the Freight and Salvage in Berkeley. But then tendonitis forced Mark to perform a little less and engineer a little more.

Mark is known for his unique guitar style: he incorporates masterful fingerpicking, slap-and-tap harmonics, hand percussion, and a delicate touch that goes straight to your heart. While Mark's solo guitar pieces stand as complete statements, his harmonies with Cindy Lemaire are so perfectly matched that they seem like two people with one voice.

At a show, audiences do a lot of laughing, but many are also moved to tears. The material runs from tongue-in-cheek songs about married life to stories of the strange surprise of middle age creeping up on us. The music

ranges from subtle, pin-drop delicate solo guitar to raucous sing-alongs. While the music is beautiful, the experience of simply being together is a key part of the evening. Folks leave at the end both grinning and fulfilled.

With four albums released and some captivating songs you'll only hear live (for now). Mark and Cindy are a pleasure to listen to and fun to just be with.

#### Daniel Champagne

Wednesday 18th April at 7.30pm. \$20, Supper provided.



This is Daniel's 3rd concert at Tsunami and they have all been extraordinary.

One reviewer recently wrote – 'Daniel Champagne exudes a natural ease on stage, as he sings poignant lyrics and beautifully crafted melodies that invariably whisk the heart up with grand

romanticism. Coupled with an exhilarating guitar talent that transcends mere acoustic playing to replicate a whole band, Champagne is just magical'

[themusic.com.au](http://themusic.com.au)

Now regarded as a leading light in acoustic music, with a firm reputation for making festivals buzz, holding crowds in his palm, dropping jaws and breaking guitars wherever he goes. Daniel Champagne has relocated to North America where he continues his exciting career as an international touring and recording artist.

### Bent Horseshoe Presents



Bent Horseshoe Presents The TimeLiners at The Hokowhitu Bowling Club on Thursday 12th of April starting at 7.30 and tickets are \$20.

The TimeLiners, Neil Worboys, Maurice Priestley and Steve Carlyle have been playing the blues together on and off since 1987 when they were all living in Gisborne. Their repertoire is a mix of Neil's originals as well as The TimeLiners' take on a few favourite blues and roots standards.

Bookings Tel 06 329 8808 or email

[steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz](mailto:steve@benthorseshoe.co.nz)



## Te Takere and Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom

### Jazz Jam (15 April)



When: Second Sunday of the month,  
2.00 to 3.30pm

Where: Te Takere

Whether you are looking for a place to hone your musical skills or simply want to take in some great sounds, the monthly Jazz Jam at Te Takere is the place to be.

Always lots on at Te Takere and Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom. Check out their websites for details.

### LILY'S RANCH HOUSE

Thursday 5 April, Muso Nite - From 6pm - \$2 door entry

Tonight's theme is "Fools". Bar, meals, tapas-style, and espresso available. Please phone, text or email Lily's to reserve your table 021-438842, [kathy@lilys.co.nz](mailto:kathy@lilys.co.nz)

## Festivals

### Hamsterfest



The Hamilton folk festival, affectionately known as "Hamsterfest", is the annual highlight of, and organised by the

Hamilton Acoustic Music Club.

It is a family friendly festival that is a celebration of folk and acoustic music. It runs over the three days of Easter weekend. Bring your tent and come for the whole weekend!

Highlights include concerts from guest artists, blackboard concerts, workshops, a tradition bearers' session, a ceilidh, and the festival concludes on the Sunday night with the main event, The Final Concert.

For more information: <http://hamc.org.nz/festival/>

## 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/](http://www.levin-folk-music-club.org.nz/) or directly to a Committee member.

## Other Music Clubs in the Region

For details of what's on use their links.

Acoustic Routes

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



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

WELLINGTON BLUEGRASS SOCIETY	<a href="http://wellingtonbluegrass.net.nz/">wellingtonbluegrass.net.nz/</a>
Mainly Acoustic	Second Tuesday, Mayfair Café. Contact: Kevin & Sue Meehan, 04 970 4008

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