

**60th Anniversary Celebrations**

- January 16-19 Illawarra Folk Festival - Bulli
- February 1 Beecroft Birthday Dance
- February 14 Inaugural Duke's Place Folk Club
- February 21-23 Cobargo Folk Festival
- March 29 Members' Dinner
- April 18-21 National Folk Festival - Canberra
- May 17 Heritage Masked Ball - Parramatta
- June 6-9 Bundanoon DanceFest
- July 19 Great Aussie Tune Swap
- August 10 Saplings Masterclass
- August 23 Subscription Ball - Maitland
- September 6 & 27 Songwriting Workshop
- September 12 John Meredith biography launch
- September 13-14 Molong Show and Yeoval Museum
- September 19-21 Turning Wave Festival - Yass
- October 4-6 The Goulburn Gathering
- October 9 Lola's Keg Night premiere
- October 17-19 Kangaroo Valley Folk Festival
- November 15 Diamond Jubilee Concert & Reunion
- November 30 Saplings Session
- December 20 Christmas Dance - Ermington



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Chris Poleson showing dashing Bush Music style at the National Folk Festival, Easter 2014.

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Welcome to the Bush Music Club's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition of Mulga Wire.

2014 was such an amazingly busy year that we decided to revisit it just one more time!

I would like to send a special "Thank You" to everyone who volunteered last year and helped make 2014 such a special year. I would also like to thank everyone who came along to the various events throughout the year and added to the atmosphere.

To the BMC Founders we cannot thank you enough for enriching our lives with music, song, dance and verse; both collected and newly written!

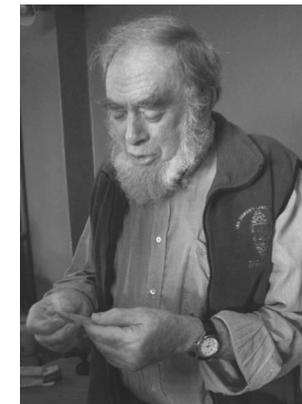
*Sharyn Mattern*



Committee 2014



Life Members



NLA wax cylinder recording at the NFF



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Frivolity in the Saplings Session at the National Folk Festival



Reunion Concert



# Celebrations



Sharyn and Don cut the cake at the February Beecroft dance.



Anniversary Dinner - March



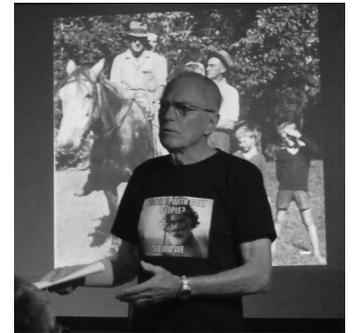
Anniversary cake made by Michelle Bolliger



Presidents blowing out the candles.



*Glad to be here for another one / remember the 10th like yesterday. - Dale  
Aussie deep and true music to soothe the mind - Moira  
Thanks for the memories - Margaret  
You Beauty! - Sue*





# Duke's Place



Peter Cahill, Jason Roweth and Ralph Pride



Duke's Place, our new folk club that was launched in February.



Coolfinn Mac



Alex Hood

# Yeoval Concert & Molong Bush Dance



BMC Concert Party gave a concert at the Banjo Paterson Museum at Yeoval, and played for a bush dance at Molong.



Helen and Tony Romeo



HP 'Duke' Tritton



The inaugural song-writing workshop run by Phyl Lobl

## Songwriting Workshop and Great Aussie Tune Swap

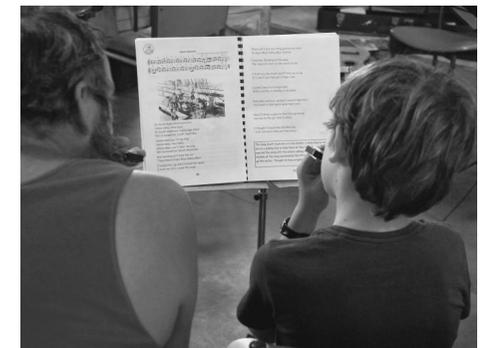
BMC and *No Such Thing* got together to teach each other their music.



*Just like old times - Yvonne*      *Good to see old friends - Anthony*  
*Greetings from the Victorian Folk Music Club to our big sister. Keep growing because we are too. - Harry*



*Saplings Afternoon Session*



*Thank you for the BMC community and all the music! - Darri  
 Lovely to look back at so many old photos!! - Cathy  
 Whacko - You beauty bottler Sport mate - Ralph*