SPECIAL INVITE to the BMC Members' and Friends' Reunion



Come and help us celebrate the Bush Music Club's 70th year at the Goulburn Club on Sunday 26 May

The plan for the Sunday:

- 1. Welcome and cuppa between 9:15am and 9:45am
- 2. Talk about various aspects of the Bush Music Club's history between 10am and 11am (Sharyn Mattern, Chris Woodland, Ralph Pride, Dave Johnson, George Bolliger and Helen Romeo)
- 3. Music and Song session with selections from Singabouts throughout the years
- 4. Hearty stew and catch-up between 12:30pm and 1:30pm
- 5. Then over to our members and friends: an opportunity to share a favourite tune, yarn, song, or poem. You may like to just listen or tell us what the Bush Music Club has meant to you over the years.

There is no registration charge but the stew for lunch will be \$12 (payable at the Bar). To register for the day and to help with catering, please email Karen on bmcmail1954@gmail.com and indicate whether you would like a meat or vegetarian stew.

The activities on the day will be upstairs in the Club. Unfortunately, there is no lift access, but the Goulburn Club has been raising money for the last few years for a lift.

Why not make a weekend of it? The Goulburn Club at 19 Market St, overlooking Belmore Park, often has a music session on Friday nights. Goulburn offers lots of activities for the Saturday, including taking their self-guided Heritage Tour throughout the city, walking on the new trail along the banks of the Wollondilly River or meeting friends and relaxing at the many cafes and eateries. The Visitor Information Centre in Goulburn is situated at 202 Sloane St, near the Railway Station.

Regards,

BMC 70th Anniversary Committee

Later in the year we will have...

- On Sunday 27 October, there will be a lunch and special afternoon dance for members and friends at Petersham Town Hall in Sydney. The day will involve:
 - Welcome at 11am with opportunities to enjoy a slide show through the years or play music with others.
 - o Delicious buffet-style lunch between 12:30 and 1:30pm
 - o Afternoon dance with a variety of callers and musicians

We would love to see you at our special events in 2024!

Let us know if you would like to come along by emailing:

Karen: bmcmail1954@gmail.com

CHANGE OF POSTAL ADDRESS for BUSH MUSIC CLUB

New Address: Hut 44, 142 Addison Road, Marrickville. NSW 2204

The club has decided that, due to the reduced amount of snail mail, we would bring the post closer to home. Our GPO Box has served us well over the years and we will miss it...maybe someone should write a song, tune or dance in memory of Box 433.

Vale GPO Box 433.

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Beecroft Family Bush Dance in the Afternoon

On Saturday, 4th May 2024

When: 2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Where: Beecroft Community Centre

Beecroft Road (Opposite Fire Station), Beecroft

Cost: \$20 non-member / \$15 concession / \$15 BMC Members / \$40 Family

Contact: BMC Phone: 0466 877 423

The band will be BMC Ensemble with John Short calling the dances.

Dances in 2024

Please note the small price increase

3rd August 2024 – BMC Ensemble – TBA 7th December 2024 – BMC Ensemble – TBA

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Pennant Hills Dance Workshop

When 7:30pm - 9:30pm - Most Mondays Where Pennant Hills Community Centre

Lower Hall, downstairs from the library

Cost \$10

Contact: Wilma - 0413 673 339

All dances are taught, called and walked through with your host John Short.

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Playford Dancing at BMC Hut – 1st Tuesday of the Month

When 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Where Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre

142 Addison Rd, Marrickville

Cost \$10

Contact Alex (02) 9524 0247

All dances are called and walked through, and live musicians make this a very enjoyable evening.

Zoom Singing Session – 2nd Wednesday of the Month

You are invited to the BMC Monthly Singing Session via Zoom ...Feeling cut off? Then make yourself a cuppa, sit back and join in the singing online...

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77436849599?pwd=O2Tl2dVVY2cYd3B59wfkLWLbjVFTzR.1

Meeting ID: 774 3684 9599 Passcode: K24Dd4

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Songs, Stories, Poems or Yarns Session in the Hut on the $3^{\rm rd}$ Wednesday of the Month

When: Wednesday, 17th April

11am - 2pm

Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre

142 Addison Rd, Marrickville

Cost \$10

Contact: Sharyn Mattern - 0459 146 845

What to Bring:

A song, story, poem or yarn and your lunch for a day of singing, the spoken

word and friendship.

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English Country Dancing at Pennant Hills Community Centre

When: See Below

2.15 pm - 5.15 pm

Where: Main Hall, the Pennant Hills Community Centre

70 Yarrara Rd, Pennant Hills

Cost: \$10 donation is suggested to cover costs

Please bring your own drinks and snacks

Contact: Keith, Dance Kaleidoscope (wood.keith@optusnet.com.au)

Sunday, 17 March 2024 Keith's Dances Sunday, 21 April 2024 Contra – Colours Sunday, 26 May 2024 English Country

Hand sanitiser will be available throughout the afternoon. Wear a mask if you feel more comfortable doing so. Join us afterwards at the Hotel Pennant Hills for dinner.

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Central Coast's 2nd Saturday Bush Dances

Where: East Gosford Progress Hall

Cnr Wells St and Henry Parry Drive

When: 7.30pm – 11pm

More Information:

www.ccbdma.org

Saplings News for April ...

Saplings is about young people tapping into the vast resource of collected Australian music and songs.

Next Saturday, 20th April we will be holding the first of what we hope to be regular Sapling sessions at Tritton Hall.

Saturday 20th April
1.00pm – 3.00pm
Hut 44
Addison Road Community Centre
142 Addison Road, Marrickville
Afternoon Tea supplied
A small donation will help cover costs

.....and the following weekend we will be at St Alban's Folk Festival

Saturday 27th April 10.00 - 12.00 St Alban's Folk Festival (26 - 28 April) St Alban's Fire Brigade

Saplings is for all young musicians (about 8 – 18 years) who can play an instrument (fiddle, flute, whistle, concertina, recorder, uke, guitar etc).

All levels are catered for...beginner to virtuoso! We have sheet music available or you can play by ear. Come and join in the fun ...we also have some percussion instruments for those who do not play an instrument ...yet!

All our tutors have a WWCC.

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Monday Night Music Weekly Workshop & Session - Weekly

When: Slow Session - 5.00 pm - 7.00 pm

Themed Singing and Music Session - 7.15 pm to 9.00 pm

April - Immigration' May – 'Mining'

Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre,

142 Addison Rd, Marrickville

Cost: \$10

Contact: John Burch - 0411 195 088

Marrickville Music Group - 1st Wednesday of the Month

When: Wednesday, 1st May May Day!!!

11am - 2pm

Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre

142 Addison Rd, Marrickville

Cost \$10

Contact: Sharyn Mattern - 0459 146 845

What to Bring:

Music to share and your lunch for a lovely day of music and friendship

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Bush Music Club Blog - https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/

Report on BMC members & friends gigs @ NFF2024.

https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/04/report-on-bmc-members-friends-nff-2024.html

Report on BMC members gigs @ NFF2024. Dennis O'Keeffe Memorial Aussie Song Session https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/04/report-on-bmc-2024-national-folk 9.html

Report on BMC @ 2024 National Folk Festival - Family Bush Dance https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/04/report-on-bush-music-org.au/2024/04/report-on-bush-music-camp-at-easter.html

From the Archives - 1996 National Folk Festival - Bob Bolton Collection - Part 3 https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/from-archives-1996-national-folk_23.html https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/from-archives-1996-national-folk_22.html

From the Archives - 1996 National Folk Festival - Bob Bolton Collection - Part 1 https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/from-archives-1996-national-folk.html

2003 Heritage Ball - Queen Victoria's Birthday Ball - Bob Bolton Collection https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/2003-heritage-ball-queen-victorias.html

The Bush Music Club turns 70 this year!

https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/the-bush-music-club-turns-70-this-year.html

Bush Music Camp at Easter - 29th March - 1st April 2024

https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/bush-music-camp-at-easter-29th-march.html

From the Archives - Guest Book, 1981 -1988

https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/03/from-archives-guest-book-1981-1988.html

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Meetup - http://www.meetup.com/Sydney-Bush-Music-Club-Meetup/

