



Victorian Folk Music Club Inc.

PO Box 215, Ringwood East, Victoria 3135, Australia

Reg No. A2511Y ABN 28 668 156 704

Notes for prospective performers

Thanks for your interest in performing at Ringwood Folk. Here is some general info about the Club

The Gig

Ringwood Folk is a Tuesday night event run by the Victorian Folk Music Club (VFMC). The second Tuesday of every month is reserved for a concert-style “guest artist” night (other Tuesdays are session nights). We kick off at 7.45 pm with floor spots, break for supper at about 8:45, then resume at 9:00 with the guest performer(s). They play until around 10:00pm.

Occasionally (3-4 times a year) we have a paid Support Act as well as the main guest act. On these nights, we commence floor spots at 7:45, the Support Act commences at 8:15 and runs to supper at 8:45, then resume at 9:00pm with the guest performer(s) as usual.

The audience

We are a pretty traditional club – the average age of the audience would be mature-age, they are attentive and appreciative. Our audiences love singing along, and appreciate tunes they can recognize. That’s not to say we are not open to contemporary pieces - check out the list of past performers on our website at www.vfmc.org.au.

The venue

Ringwood Folk was formerly held at the Ringwood East Community Hall. Unfortunately after 30+ years we have had to leave the venue as the hall is to be demolished.

We are now using the Ringwood Uniting Church Hall in Station St. Ringwood (directly opposite Ringwood railway Station). Entrance to the hall is via the car park immediately adjacent to the hall off Station St.. This car park is on the west side of the building, the driveway is across the front of the building to the car park. Exit on to Station St.. There is another larger car park on the eastern side of the property on the corner of Greenwood Ave, (opposite the church) enter from Greenwood Ave. and exit on to Station St..

We are an **acoustic venue** – no microphones (instrument amplification has been permitted but only under very specific circumstance). It’s a relatively small hall, with good acoustics. Even the quietest of our singers have rarely had a problem being heard. The absence of sound equipment speeds up set-up time, and means that there is a much closer relationship with the audience.

Financials

We charge \$14, \$12 and members \$10. Children are admitted free. We also have a zoom audience whom we charge \$10. We are a family-oriented club, and we try to keep charges low, especially given it is a weeknight. The guest artist segment occurs after supper and we pay 75% of the net door takings to the guest artist(s), subject to a minimum of \$250. So you get \$250 even if only three men and a dog show up. Our expenses are low (about \$150 for hall hire and insurance). Support Acts are paid a fixed fee of \$60.

Contact us

If you are interested in performing at the VFMC concert as a spot act, support act or a main act please email us at concerts@vfmc.org.au. We normally acknowledge receipt of your application immediately, but our programming is discussed at our monthly Committee meetings. We are generally booked several months ahead. If you would be interested in a Support Act gig prior to a main act slot being available, please let us know.



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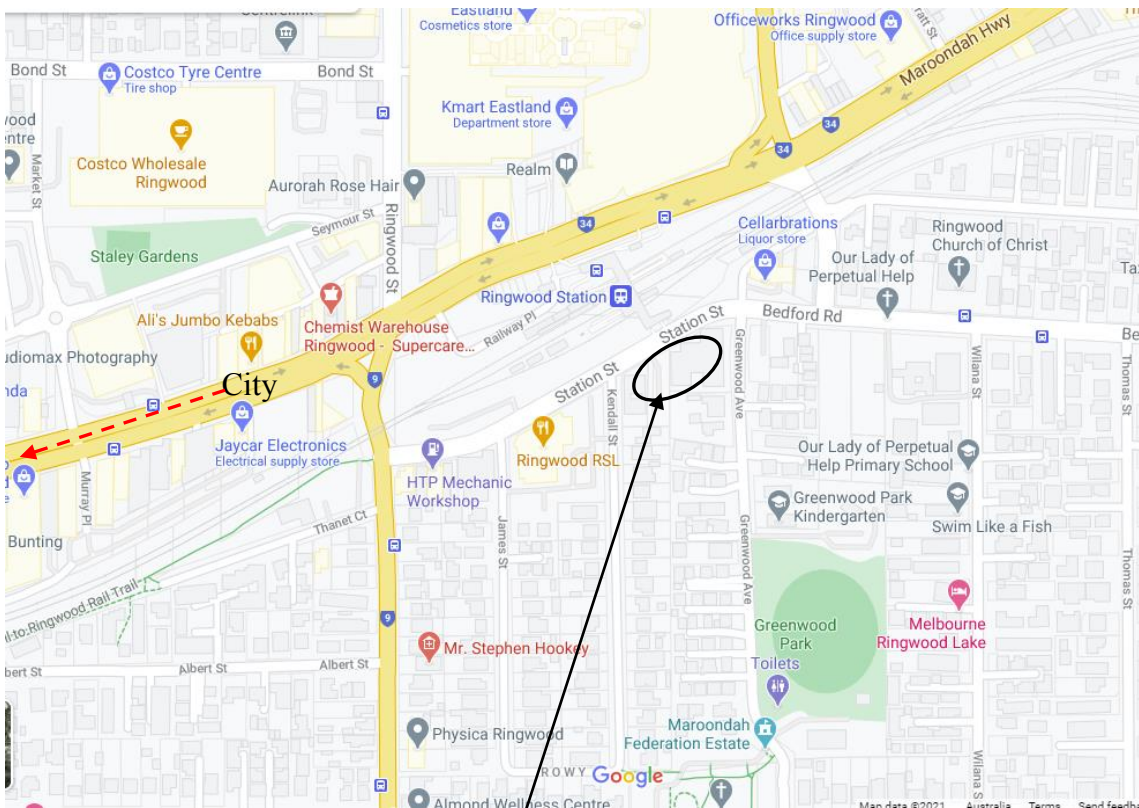
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We look forward to seeing you at Ringwood!



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