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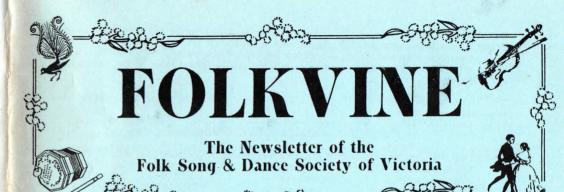
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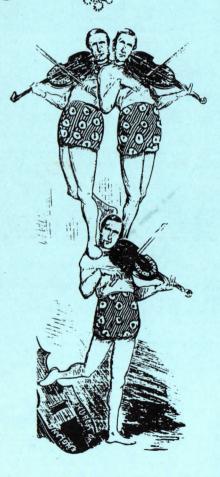
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Folk music lovers were saddened this month with news of the death, on Boxing Day, of Tim Whelan, after a battle with cancer. Tim was a fine master of the whistle, and was a regular fixture at festivals, with his familiar, sweet-toned wooden instrument. Even as recently as the Horsham Folk Festival in late November, he was leading sessions in the pub.

He will be sadly missed at events such as the Kangaroo Island Festival, and Port Fairy, where last year he put in a memorable performance, jamming late into the night at the Golf Club, not only whistling, but also playing a very raunchy saxophone.

A legend in his own time, his name lives on in the Tim Whelan Award for tune-writing at Port Fairy.

A memorial Mass will be held on Thursday February 1 at St John's Church, Clifton Hill at 7.00 p.m., followed by a session at the Normandy Hotel.

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Hello Readers,

And a happy New Year to one and all. You may already have noticed that Folkvine is starting the year by turning over a new, "greenie" leaf with the advent of recycled paper. (In saying this I am assuming that unforseen circumstances, such as no such paper at the printers' will not foil these plans. That's the trouble with writing this before the deed is actually DONE!)

The year seems to be starting off on a good footing. There was a moment of panic on the 15th when the phone was silent and the mailbox empty, and I thought that most of this month's material was going to be plundered from interstate, but suddenly all sorts of people surfaced, and my thanks go to Maureen Beggs, Graham Witt, and both of Morning Star's human incarnations, for their contributions, not to mention Hugh with his President's report. Keitho has also been doing his homework, and has drummed up quite a substantial amount of advertising, which does a LOT for Folkvine's financial viability.

Continuing the Folk Club right through the Summer seems to have been a good move. The weekend of January 12 was an interesting one with the Peninsula Folk Club performing on Friday night and on Saturday a very successful benefit concert for the owner of folk music's most famous finger, Alan Musgrove of High Times String Band fame, who did a spectacular job of breaking the unfortunate digit simply getting into bed. Let's hope that the finger is not long in getting better.

With everyone in such a positive frame of mind, perhaps it's a good time to renew my perennial plea for contributions. We haven't had a song since last year's Declan Affley Award supplies were exhausted, so any songwriters who want a place in posterity are more than welcome! That goes for contributions of every other variety too.

Could I tactfully suggest here that the more photocopyready and contributions are, the easier things are at this end. Unfortunately, a lot of type-written and word processor-ed pieces have to be re-typed because a) they have so little margin that they risk getting bits chopped off in printing. Aim for 2.5 cm all round an A4 page (not one of those extrawide printer sheets.) or b) because they are too faint. Unless you have a fresh ribbon, you might as well stick to handwriting. Those pale grey draft dot matrix things copy like invisible ink. If you can't type, don't worry: eight years as a teacher ensure that I can decipher nearly any scrawl known to (wo) man!

Once Folkvine is safely in the mail this month, we'll be off for another Folk Music Bush Camp at Turramurra. Long live the Australia Day long weekend! This is a far better celebration than some middle-of-the-week flag-waving bore!

In many ways, both on the home front and in the folk. scene in general this promises to be an interesting and productive year. Let's hope it's a good one for all.

Happy Reading....Jill 

To all members of the Society and readers of Folkvine I would like to extend best wishes for the New Year.

Progress towards greater co-operation between groups and individuals promoting folk arts has been steady and I am sure that this year will see the following arts becoming more and more popular within the general community.

The Melbourne Folk Club continues to grow from strength to strength and I look forward to ever increasing numbers of patrons over the coming months. Innovations in the format of the Club have proved to be extremely successful. The session aspect towards the end of the evening gives all people the opportunity to participate, and affording other clubs the opportunity to show their talents has helped in maintaining both the Society's commitment to a higher profile for the folk arts, and greater co-operation between clubs, organizations and individuals.

The position of Folk Arts Administrator has been funded again by the Victorian Ministry for the Arts and it is with great pleasure that I announce Kathy Burgi's re-appointment to the position. Kathy's commitment to a very difficult task has been terrific and I would like to ask everyone to give whatever assistance they can in ensuring Kathy's continuing efforts are given the best possible chance of success. The survey carried out was inspired an enthusiastic response but I would ask that all performers complete the questionnaire and return the form to Kathy as soon as possible. During the year we shall be trying to give respondents to the questionnaire an opportunity to display their talents at the Folk Club as well as other venues.

Through the efforts of the Society the Victorian Ministry for the Arts is considering funding a study which will look at the possibility of setting up a Performing Folk Arts Centre for Victoria. Talks are on-going and we are confident that the monies will be made available. Then, who knows what could happen?

The opportunity to participate in such a project is a great boon to the Society. It shows that the Society has a much higher profile than it formerly did, and that the commitment by the Society's administration to achieve this has been of the highest order.

In closing I would like to thank all members for their support and give assurance that this administration will continue its programme of promoting the folk arts throughout the State of Victoria.

Hugh MacEwan



STOP PRESS!! Frankie Armstrong is due in Melbourne in February. For information, contact The Boîte, (03)417 3550. 5

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### Hora Mare Din Bucovina - Romania

Transcribed by 6.Witt Nov'89



This tune is for a dance from the Romanian region of Bucovina. This is now part of the Moldavian SSR of the USSR and called Bukovina; the capital of the region is Chernovcy. The dance is very light and (dare I say) gay, the music being played at about the speed of a Strauss waltz. The instruments in the recording used by Yves Moreau are fiddle in the A part, pan flute in the B and both in the C, with plucked string bass throughout. You can learn the dance at the International Dance Workshops on Tuesdays at the Carlton Community Centre at 8 pm.

by Alison Lee

(Reprinted with thanks from Mulga Wire, December 1989)

This dance won the 'Experienced Dancers' section of the Sydney Bush Music Festival Dance Competition, which was judged by Shirley Andrews and Lance Green. The winner of the 'Beginners' category was 'Jenni's Jig' by Jenni Stock and Colin Fong, a 40 bar big circle dance.

Formation: Couples Dance, couples in a large circle. Music: 32 bar Waltzes (Alison suggests that the music should ideally be a selection of well known children's songs played in waltz time as the dance honours her daughter Emma.)

(Start facing partner, 2 hand open hold. Men with backs to centre.)

- Waltz forward one step, finish beside partner, then waltz back one step.
  - Repeat.
- Waltz around partner. (With hands joined as before, waltz forward 2 steps to change places with partner, then continue 2 more steps to return to place. Arms counter balance the waltz motion by bending and straightening as the couple moves towards and away from each other.)

Repeat the sequence from the beginning.

- Holding inside hands only, waltz forward two steps along LOD. (Start on R foot, swing inside hands forward on 1st step, backwards on 2nd.)
- Turn single. (2 steps) (Man makes 3/4 turn, leading Left shoulder to finish with Left shoulder leading along the line of dance. Lady turns 1/2 way, leading right shoulder to finish with her back to her partner.)
- Waltz forward, back, to the right and to the left. (Man has hands on partner's waist, both start with R foot. When moving to R and L, sway a little in same direction.)
- Waltz backwards 2 steps. Lady looks over shoulder at partner.
- Man waltzes forward 2 steps, Lady takes 2 steps to turn & face partner.
- Take ballroom hold and waltz 2 turns. Change hold on last 1/2 turn.
- Repeat as required.





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### HORSHAM FOLK FESTIVAL

JILL WATSON

This may seem like old news by now, but the Horsham Folk Festival deserves to get a decent write-up. Being the last festival before Christmas, it has no hope of ever making it into a December newsletter, and consequently misses out on its fair share of publicity. Those readers who were there, cast your minds back a couple of months; those who weren't, get out your 1990 diaries now and put a big red circle round the last weekend in November. This is one not to be missed.

Horsham is just what a folk festival ought to be: small, friendly, and well organised, with reasonably good venues all within easy walking distance, plenty of sessions that are easy to find and enough choices to be interesting without being overwhelming.

It's a long drive, but not without rewards, such as the spectacle of sunset over the Grampians and the never-to-beforgotten sight of the 30 metre concrete koala towering menacingly over the milk bar at Dadswell's Bridge.

We arrived to find sessions in full swing at the Royal Hotel: Tim Whelan presiding (sadly for the last time) in the lounge, whilst others such as Mike Jackson filled the lobby with music. The two pubs: the Royal and the Locarno are the hub of activities, especially at night, while during the day people spread out into the streets, window shop and meet people and browse around the Wimmera Music Centre.

One thing that detracts from the atmosphere of the festival is the way that the locals, for the most part, keep their distance. In the other four or five pubs (Horsham is well supplied!) the pool games carry on as if it were any other weekend of the year.

Horsham is in a location that virtually quarantees perfect, if hot, weather, and the best way to enjoy it is at the Saturday afternood concert in the beer garden of the Locarno, with a cool drink in the shade of their enormous banana passionfruit vine, listening to Bruce Watson, Twankydillo, Danny Spooner and others, followed, indoore, by John McAuslan's record launch with the Whirling Furphies as backing musicians.

Saturday night was a time for choices: sessions at the Royal, a Woolshed Dance, or Concerts at the Loc. - the Furphies followed by the Dag Brothers. We took the third option and spent the evening at the Loc. It's not the ideal venue. The musicians are fitted into the angle of an "L" formed by a restaurant area (where the audience eats and talks) and a crowded area sandwiched between the bar and the disco dance floor, "tastefully" illuminated by millions of tiny flashing lights (where the audience drinks and talks.) Despite the defects of the venue, it was still good entertainment though.

Sunday morning featured a harmony workshop with Twankydillo, while the main concert took place in the afternoon. It was held at a sound-shell by the Wimmera River, an attractive spot, but desperately short of shade on that baking hot afternoon. There were a few young trees around the edge of the lawn, but far too few, especially in these sun-conscious days. The concert featured the Names: Bush Turkey, Phil Day, Noel Watson, Mike Jackson & Ian Blake, and Eric Bogle with his

current entourage. The names escape me at the moment, but I recall that one of them calls himself "Old Dog's Balls."

Unfortunately the audience for this event was rather small. The festival has not had much luck in attracting people from the local area, and the Melbourne and Adelaide contingents just aren't big enough to make much of an impression on the large park around the sound-shell.

After the big concert it was back to the dark orange glow-worm caves of the Locarno for a small farewell concert. Small it was. Most people were on their way home by then, and we would have been too if Bruce hadn't been singing in it. It was a good audience all things considered. It's not easy to be enthusiastic with sunstroke and the prospect of a four-hour drive and unpacking at 1.00 am! I guess the ones having a good time were the smarties who had organized to stay until Monday.

With only minor reservations, we found it a thoroughly enjoyable weekend. One warning, though, as Bruce's innards will testify: DON'T DRINK THE WATER!!! Only tank water is fit for human consumption in Horsham, but we didn't learn that until long after it was too late. Mind you, there were quite a few folkies partaking of alternative beverages who were in pretty bad shape too! Judging by the habits of the general folkie populace, I suspect that you'd find a healthier set of liver and lungs in the average HAGGIS!

Whatever else you do this year, DO try to get up to

Horsham: you'll enjoy it.

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MELBOURNE GOES TO THE PENINSULA On Sunday March 4 the Melbourne Folk Club will be invading the Peninsula, following the Peninsula Folk Club's successful night at the MFC in January. Likely performers include Twankydillo, Jugularity, Helen & Steve Wright, Bruce Watson, Enda Kenny and more!

The venue is yet to be confirmed (their usual cosy Central Park Coffee Lounge will be too small for this extravaganza). Exact details will appear in the next Folkvine, but those wanting information in the meantime can contact Bill Dettmer 789-7213 or Meg MacDonald 387-5256. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

NEW VOGUE DANCING The TSDAV is holding a one-day special on New Voque dancing on Saturday 10th February at Carlton Community Centre, 150 Princes St, Carlton. Admission: Members - \$7 per session, \$15 full day/night; Non Members - \$9 per session, \$20 full day/night.

Experienced teachers in New Voque dancing will be present to instruct. Workshops will be held from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., and 2 - 5 p.m. Evening dance from 8 p.m. until Midnight.

For information contact Barry Simpson, Ph. 484-4130. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

CELTIC DANCE A day and evening of dance in the Celtic tradition is planned for Saturday 30th June. We would like to include dancing from some or all of the following traditions: - Irish, Welsh, Cornish, Breton, French Canadian.

If you know of a teacher of any Celtic dance style who would be willing to participate, or if you have any helpful ideas, please phone Maureen Beggs 347-1518 (h). \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

OLD EMPIRE BAND Australia's "Folk Big Band" is holding a dance on Saturday 24th February at Central Hall, 20 Brunswick St, Fitzroy. Doors open 7.30, dancing starts 8.00 p.m., ending about Midnight. Tickets \$10. BYO food and drink. Contact David Alleway 816-9373 (w), Barry Simpson 484-4130 (h). There is a possibility that one of Melbourne's radio stations will be taping the proceedings. Negotiations are still underway. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

ABSENT FRIENDS Readers may be interested to know the current whereabouts of a few familiar faces.

Geoff Wooff and daughter Ladelle are now living in Doonagore, near Doolin, Co. Clare, Ireland. Phone (065) 74125. It's a very picturesque and musical spot, not far from the Cliffs of Moher.

Laurie Stowe is living at 923 Dennison St. Columbus Ohio, 43201. Phone (614) 421-6954. She is teaching at Ohio State University.

John Shorter, Hilary and Molly are at St Christopher's Cottage, Postlip Hall, Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, GL545AQ. Ph. (0242) 603-187. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS The Chieftains and James Galway are due to tour Australia sometime in the near future. I wish I could tell you more! (If anyone knows how to get advance notice of these things, would they please tell me the secret. E.S.P. is a dismal failure!) \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

HATCHED!!

Glenda and Tim Neild celebrated New Year's Day with the birth of Rachel, a sister for Sarah. Congratulations!

Belated congratulations also to Suzette Watkins on the birth late last year of Callum.



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every Friday 8.30 pm GEELONG FOLK CLUB at The Newtown Club, 12 Skene St., Newtown Tuesdays sessions at the Bay View Hotel, Mercer St, 8 p.m. Contact Geoff Cartwright, (052)433 298

2nd Friday each month HEALESVILLE FOLK CLUB Melba Room, Terminus Hotel, Healseville. Phone (059)624 011

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                                          (Kerry McDonald)
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            12.00 pm 'The Boite Radio Project' [Gwenda Davey]
 3RRR 2.00 - 4.00 pm 'Rick E.Folk'
                                        [Rick E. Vengeance]
      8.00 - 9.30 pm 'On The Wallaby Track'
                             [Steven Snelleman, Paul Petran]
3RIM 9.00 pm - 12.00 'Folk & Acoustic Smorgasbourd'
                                        [Gerard Hanrahan]
 ====== WEDNESDAY =======
3RPC 9.00 - 11.00 pm '40 Shades of Green' alt. 'Folk & Beyond'
           [Alternating weeks - Jeanette Brennan & Tony Hudson]
 ======== THURSDAY ========
 3GCR 8.00 - 10.00 pm 'What the Folk'
                 [Lyndal Chambers, Geoff Harris, Hans Strating]
======= FRIDAY ========
3AR 7.30 - 9.30 pm 'Music Deli'[Steven Snelleman, Paul Petran]
3CR 12.00 - 2.00 am 'Traditionally Late'
 [Tony Falla, Pedr Gurteen, Keith Lawrie, Colin Miller, Graham Witt]
 [with "How Does That....?" Technician - Peter Goodyear plus
  Margie Brookes and Jennie Whitehead)
======= SATURDAY ========
3RPP 11.00 - 1.00 pm Folk Show
                                [Various Peninsula Folkies]
3PBS 10.00 am - 12.00 'Mainly Acoustic'
               [Marion Cincotta, David Heard, Jools Thatcher ]
3EA 11.05 pm - 12.00
[1st Sat - Irish Gaelic Program. 3rd Sat - Scots Gaelic Program]
======== SUNDAY =========
3LO 8.00 - 10.00 am (contains large amount of Folk & Country music)
3CCC 9.30 - 10.30 pm 'Singers, Songwriters & Troubadours'
                                        [Andrew Pattison]
====== TELEVISION =======
Watch this space...(but don't hold your breath!!!)
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### FOLK FESTIVAL NEWS

#### FESTIVALS AT A GLANCE

FEB 16-18	GOLDEN PYRAMID FOLK & ACOUSTIC FESTIVAL, Clunes (Vic) PO Box 40, Creswick 3364 FIDDLERS' CONVENTION, Yarra Junction. Ph. Ken McMaster, (03)484-7981
MAR 3-5	JAMBAROO VALLEY (NSW) Cont. Barry Spooner Lot 411 Free Selectors Rd, Foxground NSW 2534 (042)342394
MAR 9-12	PORT FAIRY, Geelong Folk Club, PO Box 269 Geelong 3220 (See detailed ad. opposite.
APR 12-16	24th NATIONAL, Kuranda NQ. PO Box 34, Kuranda (070)938711
MAY 4-6	NAT. STORYTELLING FESTIVAL (ACT) Catherine Zwickert PO Box 420, Dickson ACT 2602
MAY ?-?	KYNETON FOLK FESTIVAL. Apparently there is one, but no details have surfaced so far. Does anyone know anything about it?
EASTER 1991	25th NATIONAL FOLK FESTIVAL, Adelaide.
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APOLOGIES!!! Anyone who tried to go to Longford this January will know that they did not have a festival. I got the info. from an interstate newsletter (can't remember which) whose editor must also be feeling a little red-faced. There was a festival down south (the Huon, Jan 12-14) which I didn't know about, so all in all, Tassie got a pretty raw deal from Folkvine this summer. Sorry, but if nobody tells me, how can I know?

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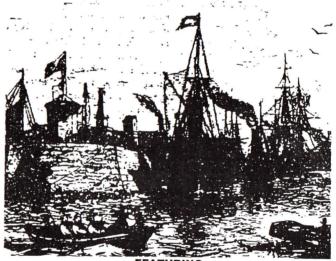
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A children's festival will run concurrently with the main programme to provide an introduction to folklore and folk arts for children between 8 and 15.

Pre-sales of seasons passes for the festival will be available between January 1st and March 31st at a cost of \$40. This will be a saving of \$10. Passes to the children's festival will be \$15, with the maximum price of a family ticket being \$90.

Free camping will be provided adjoining the main venues, for season's pass holders only.

There is still accommodation available at <u>Kuranda Rainforest Resort-</u>(070)93-7555, Box 429 Kuranda. Ranges from hostel style four bed dormit-ories through motel style units to cabins with cooking facilities.

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There are literally hundreds of places to stay in Cairns and on the Marlin Coast  ${\rm all}_{\,\ell}$  within 30 minutes' drive of Kuranda and we are negitiating for a bus shuttle service to and from Cairns.

Festival T-shirts featuring our green tree frog logo are available for \$15 in adult sizes or \$12 for children.

I hope to provide you with further information on a regular basis, but enquiries can be directed to (070)93-8711 or Box 343, Kuranda. If you are able to assist in the distribution of information and posters it would be appreciated as would offers of a few hours' help during the

festival.

See you in the North in April,

Neil Maher, Convenor.

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They can also be very sceptical of anything beyond their immediate reality and quite conservative in their tastes. Tell them they sing well and they will wait for the record to come out. Ask them what they would like to drink and it will probably be light beer or tea with milk. This flows over into their dinner habits. Red meat goes with red wine, white with white and port with coffee. They are competent hosts and excellent cooks. Conservative, yes. But everything will be of the very best.

This is an extremely powerful and determined sign. A sign of great energy in whatever the goat chooses to take on. Born under an earth sign, they have a talent for finishing what they started. They are usually excellent organisers and fine longer-term managers of others. If you want some large project (like a national folk festival) to actually come to fruition, ask a goat to lead the team. Better yet, ask them to be the team. (If you ask a sheep to clean up your yard it will eat the grass and trim a few shrubs. If you ask a goat, it will eat the grass, the shrubs, the trees, the fence, the garage and the clothesline and the boots you left by the back door. You will have a very clean patch of dirt. Goat people are thorough like that.)

This sign can be very creative and tactile. Then there is the other type that can settle down comfortably with a pile of ledgers and graphs for its favourite reading. There doesn't seem to be much of an in-between. A creative goat will sing beautiful traditional music, particularly ballads, which satisfy their need to connect themselves with the past. Unfortunately, fine music can also be murdered by an untalented goat. The performance will probably be technically proficient, but dead in every other sense.

Your Capricorn folkie is an even-tempered type. They will be more likely to mediate in an argument than choose a side and join in.

Ever noticed how some people never seem to age? Capricorn has this characteristic. They are often small, with dark hair and complexions. The young look old and the old look young. They also have a lot of time for the elderly. They will organise things like a performance for the old people's home down the road. They look after their family and elderly relatives. Drives in the country and that sort of thing. Nothing too outrageous, but with a great deal of thoughtfulness and a surprising amount of insight into their particular needs and tastes.

They have a great sense of humour and tell a good joke. Their metal is lead and their ruling planet is Saturn. Happy belated birthday, Goat. (Oh, another thing - a Capricornian would never be late with birthday wishes.)

'Daffy-down-dilly has come up to town.' The daffodil is the flower for Aquarius, and daffy is right.

You may not believe it when you see your Aquarian folkie staggering in with a pile of electronic equipment and wiring, but it is actually quite a musical sign. It just has the dubious distinction of being ruled by Uranus, the planet of invention and modern technology. As many an astrologer will tell you (and they invariably do): 'With Uranus behind you, you can't go far wrong!' (Get it? Errgh ....)

These people are often tall and fair, with light-coloured faraway eyes. They're very rational. Not emotional, really. Friendly rather than clannish. You don't see them in the thick of a gossip session, though they're probably taking it all in as avidly as anyone else. Everything interests them. Their perpetual search for truth can be embarrassing if you are the focus of their attention.

The symbol for Aquarius is a man with a pitcher, emptying the contents on the ground. (Cheer up - it's water.) Knowledge and truth are being poured out for the benefit of a thirsty world. Aquarians are concerned with broad humanitarian issues, so once they are up on stage (with or without all that equipment, the material could well be political. They may have written it themselves, since Uranus is also the planet of invention and originality. It won't be naive and slogan-ridden - they're a bit more intelligent than that - but you could expect some ideal to be at the core of it.

Or your technophiliac Aquarian may have taken over the mixing desk for the evening. Be ready for some curious sound effects. Or they may be more interested in playing with the lighting. Just hope they confine themselves to taking pictures when you are performing. Some people can take experimentation too far.

Eccentricity, perversity, unconventionality, ratbaggery - these are all Aquarian keywords. Silly you, thinking that concertina case held a concertina. It's more likely to hold the Aquarian's woolly jumper. In fact, they've brought a whistle. It's down their left sock. Well, this is actually quite a sensible place to keep it, since whistles have to be kept warm, and Aquarius is nothing if not rational. And since Aquarius rules the ankles and shins, it's really quite an appropriate place, astrologically. What else might you find if you looked up their trouser-legs?

They're a trifle absent-minded. This could be quite endearing as long as it isn't you they've forgotten. Their tastes can be odd, to put it mildly. You never know who or what they will turn up with. Or what strange concoction they will bring you, euphemistically named a cocktail. Or what outlandish garb they will be wearing next time you see them. They delight in being unpredictable in as many ways as possible.

The metal is uranium. Wouldn't you know.

Morning Star \*\*

### Australian Folksong ~An Industrial Analysis

MAUREEN BEGGS

It is no secret that a folk song can be more than merely a witty ditty; many were, in fact, reflections of social and political issues of the day. However, I have formed the conclusion that even deeper implications are contained in the seemingly straightforward lyrics of our Australian folksong heritage.

In an age devoid of John Cleese training films and suchlike aids to staff development, there was a need for an effective means of disseminating educational material on work practices. Of course, on-the-job training was a preferred option, but reinforcement of key procedures was conducted in a way which made learning enjoyable, i.e. - in a song.

Nowhere was popular music so wholeheartedly adopted as a vehicle highlighting important skills as in the shearing industry. For instance, one song presents basic technical advice on the use of wool-removing equipment:- correct operation should result in a rhythmic sequence of "click, click, click." It also places emphasis on the width of blow and quickness of hand movement. In another composition, the purported vocalisation of one high-profile shearing identity stresses that optimum output can be achieved only "when my blades are properly steeled."

Examination of other shearing-based songs discloses that the genre is rich in instructional content. Unfortunately, a high degree of attention is directed towards performance indicators, at the expense of occupational health and safety considerations. This can only lead one to suppose that these musical aides-memoire were mostly employer-generated propaganda, designed to boost productivity. (One song's reference to a patented digit-protecting device has not escaped my attention. However, the mentioning of this item in the verse, with consequent repetition, makes me suspect it to be the result of corporate sponsorship, rather than genuine concern for the workers.)

Other fields of employment did not utilise the singing repertoire in the some way as did the wool industry. The shearers' counterparts amongst stockmen and drovers were not generally suvjectid to perfectionist prototypes in the context of their balladry. Indeed, some of their songs were presumably penned by disillusioned employees wishing to convey the adverse facets of their occupations. Such phrases as "It's flaming dry going through the old Queensland bush," and "girls and grass are scanty' are unlikely to promote enthusiasm for the lifestyle inherent in drovers' jobs. The moribund young stockman, whose mind is focussed on the details of his burial, causes conjecture as to the reason for his untimely demise.

A brief study of miners' songs reveals descriptions of the hardships endured by those self-employed seekers of precious metal. Nevertheless, it is pleasing to note the positive attitude to saftey-awareness as indicated by a song in which every verse plus the title contains the words "look out below!"

Whilst the above overview is not exhaustive, I feel that it provides some insight into hitherto unacknowledged aspects of the Australian folk-song tradition.

### .....Dearest Nancy......

I trust that all of you dear readers enjoyed a cheery festive season. I, myself, celebrated the New Year toute seule, alas: not even a postcard from the Banks of the Condamine. (Where are you Dave?) Nevertheless, one finds consolation where one can... "Whiskey, whiskey, Nancy Whiskey, whiskey, Whiskey, Nancy O!" (Hic!)

Dearest Nancy,

I write to you in total confusion. There is this person in Brunswick called John McSomething who just made a record, but I can't for the life of me work out how to spell his name. Everyone seems to have a different version.

> Sally Black (née Wheatley) Woodhall

- Dear Sallu.

I can understand your confusion. I fear the folk process has run amok with this unfortunate gentleman's name. He was listed in the Age as McGuslan, in the Horsham festival programme as McAustin, and at the Melbourne Folk Club at various times with an optional final "d".

The Penguin Dictionary of Surnames lists the name as follows: "McAuslan(d), McAuslane F. 'son' Scots Gaelic 'of Absalom.'" It is spelt McAuslan on the record cover, so I think you can assume that this is the corect way of addressing your fan mail.

Record covers are, of course, not always totally reliable, as Den(n)is Tracey is well aware, but I am quite sure there are no mistakes on this one!



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from the newsletter of The Australian Folk Trust

### DEVOLVED GRANTS SCHEME

The Australian Folk Trust, the national umbrella body for folk arts and folklife, receives limited funding for the Devolved Grants Scheme.

Through the Scheme the Trust seeks to assist the promotion and performance of Australia's folk arts and to foster research, collection and preservation of folklife heritage.

The Scheme assists a wide cross-section of folk-related projects in areas such as performance, practice, collection, documentation, research and publication.

Assistance can be in the form of a direct grant or loan for an amount up to \$2000.

Closing date: 31 MARCH 1990

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For guidelines and application forms contact: Sandra Gigliotti, Australian Folk Trust, PO Box 156, Civic Square ACT 2608 Telephone: (062) 497217.....Fax: (062) 477739

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#### INQUIRY INTO FOLKLIFE

Whatever happened to the Inquiry into Folklife? The AFT has been advised that the safeguarding of folklife heritage will now be considered with a range of multicultural issues following the National Agenda for a Multicultural Australia.

A Consultative Committee on Cultural Heritage in a Multicultural Australia is currently being set up. Membership includes a folklorist who, we are pleased to learn, will be Gwenda Davey, Victorian Trustee and newly elected Secretary of the AFT.

On Thursday, 30 November an AFT deputation consisting of Dale Dengate, Alan Scott, Gwenda Davey and Pamela Rosenberg met with the Hon. Clyde Holding, Minister for the Arts and Territories, at Parliament House. The Minister was presented with a petition, which many of our readers will have signed, supporting the need for safeguarding folklife heritage. The outcome of the meeting was a promise by the Minister that some additional funding would be diverted to the Natonal Library for folklore collecting activities. This is a far cry from an Australian Folklife Centre but it is a beginning and the AFT hopes it will fill one of the most urgent needs - the setting up of a grants program for folklore collecting activities.

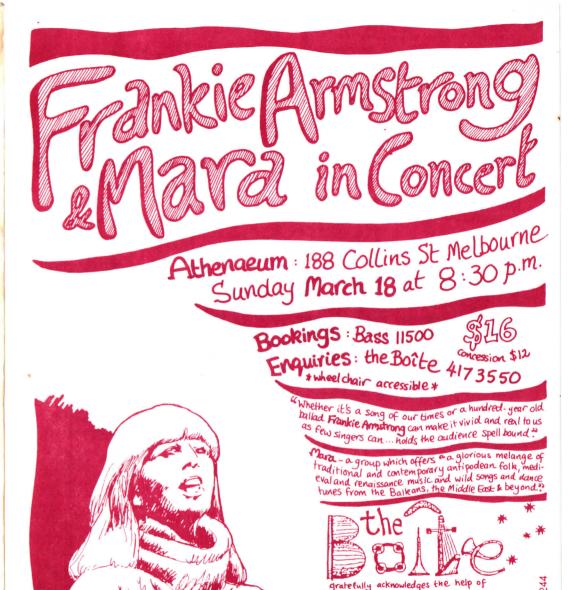
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OPENING OF THE NEW ORAL HISTORY STUDIO FACILITIES AT THE NATIONAL LIBRARY On Thursday 30 November the National Library organised what con only be described as a gala opening of the new Oral History studio facilities. The Governor-General, Bill Hayden, gave a delightful, witty speech to a large gathering of guests. The occasion did much to raise the profile of folklore.



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Workshop Enquiries: 471 3550

MASTER CLASSES 15th Mar 7.30pm; 24th Mar 2.30pm; Church of All Nations Palmerston St. Carlton Tickets \$10, \$8(conc) at door

#### CASTLEMANE CONCERT:

FRANKIE ARMSTRONG The Old Castlemaine Market 8.00pm Friday 23rd March 1990 Enquiries: 054 742 511

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## The Old Empire Band

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COME ALONG AND DANCE TO AUSTRALIA'S 'FOLK BIG BAND'.

Yes folks, The OLD EMPIRE BAND is coming to Melbourne!

This truly awesome band consists of the finest English Country Dance musicians from all over Australia. Well over 20 musicians from Adelaide, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney and elsewhere combine to provide the finest English Country Music for you to dance to.

Among the many instruments to be heard are: Accordions, Banjos, Concertinas, Drums, Euphoniums, Fiddles, Flutes, Guitars, Hammer Dulcimers, Harps, Mandolins Pianos, Saxophones, Trombones, Tubas.

Don't worry if you're unfamiliar with Country Dancing, our Dance Callers can also lay claim to being among the finest in the land.

To ensure room to dance tickets are strictly limited to 250 and were already selling fast before they were printed! So book early or you may miss out.

Doors Open: 7:30pm

Dancing from 8:00pm till 12:00am'ish

### ADVANCE MAIL ORDER PURCHASE FINISHES JAN. 31ST, 1990. \$45 P/ADULT (Disc. Price) PORT FAIRY FOLK FESTIVAL MARCH 1990

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GEELONG FOLK MUSIC CLUB Inc.
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