

Folk Song and Dance Society of Victoria Inc

“Folk Victoria”

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Melbourne Folk Club at the Emerald Lounge

Clifton Hill Hotel, Queen’s Parade (cnr Wellington St), Clifton Hill

FRIDAY JULY 7TH at 8.00 pm.

Martin Pearson and the MP3

The MP3 comprises Martin Pearson (vocal and guitar), Alex Legg (vocal and guitar), Chris Payne (vocal and harmonica).

Greetings all. Yes folks, we have been able to secure the Emerald Lounge at the Clifton Hill Hotel as a regular venue but on the **first Friday of the month** instead of the last Friday of the month. We felt the change of night would have no particular adverse impact either on us or other Melbourne folk venues, so we’re happy to give it a go. So - reprogram your inner diary and get set for some great music for the rest of the year!

For our first “First Friday” come along and experience whirlwind ride of song, comedy and great music!

Alex Legg will share some of his own songs as a soloist in the first bracket. His strong, gravelly yet melodic voice combines with a unique and mesmerising guitar style which at times has you looking around to see where the bass and drum kit are hiding!

Martin Pearson takes the stage for the second bracket with songs, comedy, satire and his inimitable style of storytelling and audience interaction.

Martin and Alex combine with harmonica player extraordinaire **Chris Payne** in the final bracket to present an eclectic mix of songs ranging from traditional gems to old time classics to contemporary originals. The MP3 bracket I saw at the main stage at the National Folk Festival this year was outstanding and exhilarating. Not to be missed!

Meals are not served at the Emerald Lounge, but you are welcome to bring in take-aways – there are a number of excellent cafes in the area. The Lounge is a **non-smoking** area.

Entry will be \$12 or \$8 concession and members. This night will also be the exciting launch of our much anticipated WEBSITE. Check out www.folkvictoria.org.au

Folk Club – Emerald Lounge - Friday August 4th at 8pm.

EDDIE COLE – singer, songwriter and guitarist. A great entertainer and a man of heart and finesse.

MILK – Superb vocal harmonies and great songs from Emily Hayes and Helen Begley and friends.

Diary Dates

Friday 30th June: **Emily Davis (SA):** 'Don't Tell Tom' Café and Bar. 420 Sydney Road, Brunswick. 10.30pm – 12.30am. Phone: 9380 8667

Sunday 2nd July: **Peninsula Folk Club:** Shakespeare's Bar and Restaurant, 101 Young St, Frankston. Session: 7–7.45 pm. Performances: 8.00 onwards. (*First Sunday of the month.*) Email: admin@peninsulafolkclub.asn.au

Sunday 2nd July: **Emily Davis (SA):** The Brunswick Hotel, 140 Sydney Road, Brunswick. 7pm – 9pm.

Tuesday 4th July: **Group Singing Lessons** commence at Brunswick Neighbourhood House, 18 Garden St. Tuesdays 4/7 to 5/9. 7.30 to 9.30 pm. Fun and safe environment. Teacher: **Emily Hayes**. \$150 / \$100. Casual: \$17 / \$12. Phone: 9343 7733 or 0400 865 427.

Thursday 6th July: **Singing for Blokes:** Armadale Baptist Church, 88 Kooyong Road, Armadale. Leaders: **Phil Heuzenroeder and Suzann Frisk**. 7pm. \$20 / \$15 pre-booked. Phone: Alan Stephens: 0418 547 479 or 9799 6417, or email: alanhs@satlink.com.au

Friday 7th July: **Folk Victoria Music Night:** **Martin Pearson, Alex Legg, Chris Payne.** Emerald Lounge, Clifton Hill Hotel, Queen's Parade Clifton Hill. 8pm. \$12/\$8. Enq: Jeanette: 0414 732 667. Website: www.folkvictoria.org.au

Friday 7th July: **Selby Folk Club:** Selby Community House, Wombalana Road, Selby. Open stage plus guest artists. 8.00 pm. \$7/\$5. Phone: David Miller: 03 9751 1218. (*1st Friday of every month.*) www.home.aone.net.au/selbyfolkclub

Saturday 8th July: **Klezmeritis with Audrey Fine:** . The Boite World Music Café. 8.00 pm. 1 Mark Street, Fitzroy. \$15/\$10. Phone: 03 9417 1983. Email: boite@boite.asn.au or website at: www.boite.asn.au (*Café runs every Saturday and some Friday nights at 8.00 pm.*)

Saturday 8th July: **Music Deli 20th Birthday Celebrations:** Great Hall, National Gallery of Victoria. 2pm – 4.30pm. Free. La Voce della Luna, Sweet Cheeks, Jenny Thomas Trio, and many more. Enq: 9417 6777.

Saturday 8th July: **Sufi Duende:** Sufi and Flamenco music. Melba Hall, University of Melbourne. 7.30 pm. Enq: 9460 1771.

Sunday 9th July: **Whole Gamut Acoustic Music Club:** 3 pm. Brunswick Hotel, 140 Sydney Road, Brunswick. Three featured acts plus poetry. \$5 / gold coin. Enq: Peter Pentland: 9392 4817. Email: ppent@museum.vic.gov.au (*2nd Sunday of every month.*)

Tuesday 11th July: **Ringwood Folk Club:** East Ringwood Community Hall (enter from Knaith Road). 8.00 pm. \$7/\$6. Guest artist plus floor spots. Enq: Maree: 03 9733 0802. Website: <http://users.bigpond.net.au/VFMC/> (*2nd Tuesday of every month*)

Wednesday 12th July: **The Quiet Man Singers Sessions:** All welcome. 8 pm at the Quiet Man Hotel, 271 Racecourse Road, Flemington. Enquiries: Kathryn Clements: 9497 3227. (*2nd Wednesday of every month*)

Friday 14th July: **Hot Club Swing and La La La French Choir** at the Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station

Street, Box Hill. 8.00 pm. \$15. Licensed, snacks available. Family friendly. Book: 9417 1983.

Friday 14th July: **"Fathers in the Chapel":** Acoustic music and voices, sessions and performances, unplugged. St John's Anglican Church, Childers St, Cranbourne. Enq: 03 5996 8461 or 5996 9544. (*2nd Friday of every month*)

Saturday 15th July: **Melbourne Ukelele Kollektive and Marian College Choir.** The Boite World Music Café. (*Details as above.*)

Saturday 15th July: **Pickin' at the Piggery:** Bluegrass, blues, old-timey jams and performances. Footscray Community House, Moreland St, Footscray. Enq: Janet Dear: 03 5368 6888, 53681213 (bh). (*3rd Saturday of most months*)

Friday 21st July: **Berwick and District Folk Club:** The Old Cheese Factory, 34 Homestead Road, Berwick. 7.30 – 11.15 pm. \$10/\$7. Guest artists plus floor spots. Enq: 03 9702 1223 or email: badfolk@hotmail.com (*3rd Friday of each month*)

Friday 28th July: **Newport Fiddle and Folk Club.** Newport Community Hall, 15 Mason St, Newport, 7.30 pm. BYO instruments, voices, listening ears. \$5 / gold coin.

Friday 28th July: **Stiletto Sisters and Voice Box Choir.** Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station Street, Box Hill. 8.00 pm. \$15. Licensed, snacks. Enq: 9417 1983.

Friday 28th July: **Ernie Gruner & Phil Carroll:** Café Quince, 45 Spensley St, Clifton Hill. 7pm for 7.30pm. \$10/\$8. Meals & bookings: 9482 4180. Book early!

Saturday 29th July: **Ernie Gruner & Phil Carroll:** Maestro Meze Bar, cnr Queen & Franklin Sts, City. Delicious meals. Entertainment from 8pm – 11pm. Free.

Saturday 29th July: **Old Time Tea Dance:** Run by Folk Victoria and the TSDAV. 4.30pm till 9.30pm. St Ambrose Hall, Dawson St, Brunswick. \$18 pre-booked / \$22 at door. Phone: 9878 6267. www.tsdav.asn.au

Sunday 30th July: **Melbourne Millennium Chorus – "Mare Profondo":** Hamer Hall, Arts Centre. 2.30 pm. Songs, journeys and moods of the sea with singers, musicians and huge choir. Enq: The Boite: 9417 1963. Email: boite@boite.asn.au or website at: www.boite.asn.au

Monday 31st July: **West African Percussion and Song.** Six Monday nights with Blue Turban Percussion's Brendan Houldcroft. \$130 / \$70. SPAN Community House, 298 Victoria Road, Thornbury. Enq: 9480 1364.

Friday 4th August: **Folk Victoria Music Night:** **Eddie Cole and MILK.** Emerald Lounge, Clifton Hill Hotel, Queen's Parade, Clifton Hill. 8pm. \$12/\$8. Enq: Jeanette: 0414 732 667. Website: www.folkvictoria.org.au

Friday 4th August: **Selby Folk Club:** Selby Community House, Wombalana Road, Selby. (*Details as previously*)

Friday 11th August: **Maria Forde & Tracey Roberts:** Port Lounge, Albert Park Yacht Club. \$15. Directions and enquiries, bookings to Cliff Ellery, on 9690 1233 or taxman@bigpond.net.au

Friday 11th August: **Jugularity and Rosamel Burgos** at the Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station Street, Box Hill. 8.00 pm. \$15. Licensed, snacks. Book: 9417 1983.

Festivals

For More Folk News and Views:

10th – 16th July: Festival of Voices, Hobart, Tasmania.
03 6234 5441 or email festivalofvoices@netspace.net.au or
log on to www.festivalofvoices.com.au

15th – 16th July: Songwriting Weekend, Venus Bay, Vic.
Hosted by the Berwick Folk Club. Led by Bruce Watson.
Limited places. Contact Edward on 03 9702 1223 if
interested. Email: badfolk@optusnet.com.au

**28th – 30th July: Marimba Family Camp – “Jazzed Up
Marimbas”.** For families, teachers and interested adults.
Great fun!! Candlebark Farm Camp, Healesville. Session
leaders include Andy Rigby and Jon Madin. Registration
essential. Enq: Glenys: 9562 6122. www.vosa.org

**18th – 20th August: Troubadour’s 28th Anniversary
Weekend,** Campaspe Downs, near Kyneton, Vic. Live-in
with food, wine and lots of music. Pre-booking by August
4th essential. Weekend: \$195 or \$165 if booked by June 30th
(be quick!) Pro rata rates available. Phone: 5425 5400
Email: wineandmusic@bigpond.com
Website: www.wineandmusic.net

18th – 20th August: Folk Alliance Australia Convention,
Canberra, ACT. Discuss aspects of the folk music ‘industry’
in Australia, meet with like-minded people and hear lots of
good music. Ainslie Function Centre, 52 Wakefield Avenue,
Ainslie, ACT. Information: Jim MacQuarrie: 02 4474 2736
Email: convention@folkalliance.org.au
Website: www.folkalliance.org.au

8th – 10th September: Kangaroo Valley Folk Festival,
NSW. New folk festival promises loads of great music in a
beautiful setting. Website: www.visitkangaroovalley.com.au
Email: kvfolk@bigpond.com

15th – 17th September: Guildford Banjo Jamboree,
Guildford, Vic. Traditional string band music at the
Guildford Pub and surrounding venues.
Enq: 03 5473 4544 Website: www.banjojamboree.org

13th – 17th September: Turning Wave Festival, Gundagai,
NSW. Another new festival, promising a rich mix of music
and styles within the Irish Australian genre. Irish guests
Conor Keane and Enda O Cathain plus many Oz artists.
Email: turningwave@optusnet.com or visit website at
www.turningwave.org.au

30th September – 2nd October: Uranquinty Folk Festival,
near Wagga, NSW. An old favourite of many Victorians.
Down-to-earth and participatory. Enq: Peter O’Dea: 02 6295
0571 or email: podea@homemail.com.au

3rd – 6th November: Maldon Folk Festival, Maldon, Vic.
Victoria’s largest folk festival after Port Fairy – but with a
friendly country town atmosphere – a National Trust
classified town in fact! Enq: 03 5475 1167 or 5476 2527.
Email: mail@maldonfolkfestival.com
Website: www.maldonfolkfestival.com

- **Join the Folk Alliance Australia,** Australia’s umbrella folk organisation. Go to www.folkalliance.org.au for further details and heaps of information about folk music around Australia.

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- **Log on to www.folktrax.com** to browse through a large selection of folk and acoustic CDs from Australia and around the world.

- **Community Music Victoria Inc.** A wonderful source of information about all manner of community music and arts events. For information and membership: Phone: 03 9662 1162, Fax: 03 9662 1197. Email: cmv@netspace.net.au Website: <http://cmv.customer.netspace.net.au>

- **Subscribe to the Blarney Bulletin,** a great source of news and views particularly concerning the Celtic connections in Victoria and around the country. Phone Kevin McCarthy on 0411 135 418 or email him at macca@blarneybulletin.com

