

Folk Song and Dance Society of Victoria Inc



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Committee: Jeanette Gillespie (President & Newsletter Editor), Rick Sidgwick (Secretary), Chris Bigby (Treasurer), Rebecca Marshall (Membership Secretary), Jamie Johnston (PA Manager), Wendy Ealey (Webmistress), John O’Leary (Public Officer), Denise Hibbs (Dance Coordinator), Ray Hare and Andrew Fraser (General Committee).

From the President

Greetings all.

Yes, it’s me, Jeanette! I feel like a Nellie Melba – after all the goodbyes and thank you’s no-one else stepped up at the AGM in November to be Folk Victoria’s President, so I thought – I guess I can still do this from afar. So here I am – still your President and Newsletter Editor, for better or worse!

Most of the out-going committee re-nominated at the **AGM** and were duly elected! Thanks to **Rick Osborne**, our retiring member, for his ideas during the year, and to **Andrew Fraser**, our new member, for coming on board. We also have a fabulous “pseudo” committee member in our enthusiastic new **Folk Club** organiser, **Mel Robertson**. More on the new Folk Club later.

Some of you won’t have had a proper newsletter for a while, as we had a bit of a hiccup last year when Rebecca’s computer went down, and I had to rely on some old lists for the mail-out. So **apologies** if yours got sent to an old address or you missed out on the November newsletter altogether.

Have you made it to any folk festivals or events over the summer so far? I loved being back at **Nariel Creek** – missed it last year. It’s such a genuine community – many of the late-teen/early-twenty mob I’ve known since they were born and there they were – wonderful, high-spirited, considerate, loving their music, and **TALENTED!** Same deal at **Turramurra Music Camp** and **Newstead Live** festival. So many great young singers and musicians carrying on the traditions but making them their own as well. And of course it was great to catch up with **OLD** friends too.

Where have **you** been? How about writing and telling us about it? Love to hear some stories.

STOP PRESS – VALE JOE

I have just received word of the very sad passing of one of our most talented long-time musical friends **JOE PAOLACCI**. Joe was admitted to Box Hill Hospital on January 23rd, diagnosed, I believe, with extensive and aggressive cancer, and passed away today, **Friday January 30th**, with family and friends around him. Our sincere condolences go to his three children and to his extended family and loved ones.

Joe was a talented guitarist, singer and songwriter, who came into folk music through uni and played in bush bands and sessions in those early days. Among other bands and musicians, he played with Poteen, Captain Moonlight, and in duos with both John McAuslan (I remember their magic

version of “Sally Wheatley”) and Enda Kenny. He also performed solo and released some tapes but, sadly, no CDs. Maybe someone will do a compilation. I got the feeling he most loved sitting around and singing and playing with friends, sharing, learning and yarning!

All of us who knew Joe will of course remember him in different ways. As a music teacher I remember Joe in the 80’s as head of the Education Department’s recording studio. I took groups in there for a few years to record and Joe was always fantastic with the kids. He was very chuffed when I taught the choir his song “Tall and True”. I still have the recording – and still sing the song, along with another of my favourites of his, “Southern Cross”.

Joe had his good and bad times like the rest of us, but I will always remember his mesmerising voice and gentle ways. Many friends came to sing and play at his bed during the past week – and I’m sure that would have put much sweetness into his final journey. Vale Joe!



The New Melbourne Folk Club

Every Saturday 3 till 6pm \$12 / \$8

Grandview Hotel

47 Pearson St, Brunswick West

Great meals afterwards and possibilities of some ripper sessions on into the night!

Saturday February 7th

Tonchi McIntosh

Engaging singer/songwriter will charm the socks off you – and give you something to think about too.

Eric Purdy

Our own Scottish Eric sings a mean song and will keep you laughing with his stories!

Saturday February 14th

Pete Hawkes

With nine CDs under his belt and worldwide singing and playing experience, Pete promises a very special afternoon of music. A variety of guest musos a possibility.

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Look out for great names in the future such as: Jim Green, Kate Eve, Martin Pearson, Danny Spooner, Judy Small, Khristain Mizzi, Kate Burke and Ruth Hazelton, Lucy Wise and Phil Garland (New Zealand).

Enormous thanks to Mel Robertson in particular, and John O’Leary and Graham Dodsworth, who have worked to get

the new club off the ground. Mel and his wife Michelle have been doing lots of interesting things with publicity, connecting performers to each other, creating web links all over the place and generally working to create a "vibe" to make the Folk Club THE place to hang out on a Saturday. **Go along and check it out!**

Graham Squance Memorial Award

What a fantastic night we had in the Emerald Lounge on Friday November 14th as Folk Victoria presented its annual Graham Squance Memorial Award for services to the folk community.

John McAuslan was the very deserving awardee and he really turned on a great night of entertainment with his band "**Rebels Without a Clue**". The place was packed to the rafters and many tales were told – both by John and the many who had come to honour him and renew old friendships!



Learn Klezmer with Ernie Gruner

Learn traditional Eastern European Jewish dance and wedding tunes. All instruments. Introduction to style, ornaments, history. Next workshop in April. Contact Ernie on erniegru@mira.net Visit his website at www.erniegruner.com Ernie is also available for private violin tuition.

Photographic Exhibition

Some of you will have fond memories of Rhythm and Views Music and Book Shop in High Street Northcote, which was run by **Wayne Reid**. Wayne was a great follower of music and a particular friend to many folk performers through his CD outlet and Saturday afternoon concerts. Wayne and Helen have since moved to Winchelsea, where Wayne has re-ignited his creative passion for photography. He will be having a **retrospective exhibition of his photographs** in Hawthorn in February.

The venue is the Community Art Space at the **Augustine Centre**, 2 Minona St, Hawthorn. Phone: 9819 2844. The gallery is open to the public:

Saturday 7th February: 1pm – 5pm – opening.
Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am - 4.30pm, 10th till 27th February.
Saturdays 14th and 21st February: 11.00am to 4.00pm .
Wayne will be in attendance on all three Saturdays if you want to catch up.

For More Folk News and Views:

- 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.

- **Subscribe to Trad&Now Magazine**. Log onto: www.tradandnow.com for all the news on how you can subscribe.

- **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

- **Join Community Music Victoria**. CMV is a wonderful source of information about all manner of community music and arts events. Their publication is full of news about opportunities for participation in all sorts of song, dance and music workshops in Melbourne and right across Victoria. For information and membership: Phone: 03 9662 1162. Fax: 03 9662 1197. Email: cmv@netspace.net.au Website: <http://cmv.customer.netspace.net.au>

Cheers, Jeanette Gillespie (President)

Diary Dates

Regular Events

- **Wax Lyrical:**

Free showcase for **songwriters** of all ages and levels of experience. Two great venues.

* Wax Lyrical @ **Hardiman's Hotel**, 521 Macaulay Road, Kensington – in recess – looking for another venue.

* Wax Lyrical @ **Old Hepburn**, 236 Main Road, Hepburn - first Sunday of every month. 4 - 7pm.

If you're interested in performing, 15 minute slots are available, so either email Trevor Shard with a brief bio and requirements (see below) or call 0404 069 019. Whether you're going to play or not, simply go along to enjoy listening to the music and help make the events a success.

Trevor Shard - ASA Regional Co-ordinator Victoria
waxlyrical@westnet.com.au www.asai.org.au

- **Darebin Songwriter's Guild:**

Second Sunday of the month. "Bar 303", 303 High Street, Northcote. 3.30 till 7-ish. Call Moira on 9480 4590 or Wendy on 9489 0504 or email macnificent@eftel.com.au, to register your interest in sharing your songs or just roll up for a look and a listen.

- **Selby Folk Club (30th year!):**

First Friday of the month. Selby Community House, Wombalana Road, Selby (Dandenong Ranges, Vic). Open stage plus guest artists. 8.00 pm. \$10/\$8. Phone: David Miller: 03 9751 1218.

www.home.aone.net.au/~selbyfolkclub/index.htm

* **Friday February 6th**: Andrew Winton.

* **Friday March 6th**: Kate Rowe.

Friday April 5th: Selby's 30th Birthday! Concert and CD launch. Great Line-up of performers. 8pm. Upstairs at Burringa, 351 Glenfern Road, Upwey. Tickets: \$15 at the door incl supper.

- **The Boite World Music Café:**

Every Saturday and some Friday nights. 1 Mark Street, Fitzroy. 8.00 pm. \$16/\$11. Phone: 03 9417 1983. Email: boite@boite.com.au or website at: www.boite.com.au

The Boite World Music Cafe will re commence on **March 14th** with Rose Turtle-Ertler at 1 Mark St North Fitzroy and at the **Box Hill Community Arts Centre** on **April 18th** with Judy Campbell's Mosaic and Kenyan master drummer Bandika Ngao.



- **Peninsula Folk Club:**

First Sunday of the month. Shakespeare's Bar and Restaurant, 101 Young St, Frankston. Session: 7–7.45 pm. Performances: 8.00

Email: admin@peninsulafolkclub.asn.au

- **Victorian Folk Music Club (VFMC):**

** **Website** for all VFMC activities mentioned below:

<http://users.bigpond.net.au/VFMC/>

** **Second Tuesday of the month: Ringwood Folk Club Guest Artist Night**. 8.00 pm. \$10/\$6. Guest artist plus floor spots. Enq: Maree: 03 9733 0802.

* **Tuesday 10th February**: Enda Kenny

* **Tuesday 10th March**: The Kells

* **Tuesday 14th April**: Danny Spooner

**** Third Tuesday of the month is Singabout!**, a regular group singing session. Singabout runs from 8:00 til 9:30 pm.
**** Fourth Tuesday: Billabong Band** practice from 8:00 pm. The Billabong Band is the Club's band for Concert Party events. All musicians are welcome to join in for some relaxed playing of traditional Australian music.

**** Other Tuesdays** feature session playing, singalong, poetry and yarns.

**** All events** at the **East Ringwood Community Hall** ("Red Cross Hall", enter into driveway from Knaith Road). Tea and coffee provided, small cover charge (\$4.00)

- **Ringwood Colonial Dances (VFMC)**

First Saturday of every month (except January), 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm at East Ringwood Elderly Citizens Club Hall, Laurence Grove, Ringwood East (Melway 50 B8). Live bands, all dances explained and called. Members \$8.00, non-members \$10.00, children under 16 free. Light supper provided. Contact details as above.

* **February 7th**: Music by the Brumbies

* **March 7th**: Music by Delia

* **April 4th**: Music by the Borderline Kaylee

- **Melbourne Colonial Dancers**

Numerous activities on various nights of the week and month. Very informative website at:

www.melbournecolonialdancers.org.au

* **Every Wednesday**, 8-10pm then supper:

Dance classes at St Michael's Church Hall, Cnr MacPherson & McIlwraith Sts, Carlton. (Melway Reference: 29J12 Tram Stop: 116)

Recorded music nights \$5 Members \$6 Non members. On the **1st Wednesday** of the month the **Melbourne Colonial Dance Band** plays the music. \$6 Memb \$7 Non memb

* **Third Thursday** of every month: Dancing at St Oswald's Church Hall, 100 High St, Glen Iris. *Melway 60, B9*. Cost \$6.

Contact: Robin Simpson on 03 9723 2543 or Coral Eden on 03 9885 6109 or above website.

- **TSDSAV (dancing)**

The Traditional Social Dance Association of Victoria also presents a variety of dance-related activities throughout the year. Contact Marion Stabb on 03 9439 7100 or Heather Larsen on 03 9808 4869. Website: www.tsdav.asn.au

- **Borderline Kaylee:**

If you're under 25, can dance a little, play an instrument, or if you're a smiling clapping, "I'll make this look good" kinda person then why not rock up and join us in performing our own brand of high energy, high appeal Youth Celtic Fusion music and dancing based on many traditional influences. We do Irish Step and Ceilidh dancing, with some of our own choreography. We are also a Ceilidh band playing Irish, Scottish, Welsh and Bush dances guaranteed to get your toes tapping and your heart racing! We also throw in a variety of songs in both English and Gaelic.



We meet on the last Sunday of the month at the East Ringwood Community Hall, Knaith St, (off Dublin Rd, Melway 50B8) On the Melway it is marked "Red Cross"

Cost: \$2.00. For info: Naomi Ph: (03) 9878 4296

Email borderlinekaylee@hotmail.com

Liz Stockdale Ph: (03) 9380 4291

Email lizstockdale@iprimus.com.au

Web: www.borderlinekaylee.tripod.com

- **English Country Dancing:**

Tuesdays 8-10pm. "The Well Hall Dancers". Venues vary weekly. Contact George or Lyn on 03 9890 5650. Their website is: www.dancingtheweb.com/ecd/wellhall and the general website is: www.EnglishCountryDancing.com

- **Irish Dancing:**

Melbourne Claddagh Dancers. 1st & 3rd Fridays 8-10pm. 2nd & 4th Sundays 2.5pm. St James Church small hall, Upper Heidelberg Rd, Ivanhoe. Enq: Ina and Graeme Bertrand (03) 9439 9991

www.home.vicnet.net.au/~claddagh



- **Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann:**

Every Monday, 7.30pm: Set Dancing Classes at the Quiet Man Hotel, 271 Racecourse Rd, Flemington. No prior experience necessary. Phone: M. Brouder (03) 9471 0690

Every Wednesday, 7.30pm: Music and Dancing at St. Philip's Church Hall in Hoddle Street, next to the Collingwood Town Hall. All ages welcome, incl. children. Fiddle and tin whistle classes, set dancing and general music session.

Music enquiries: Noel McGrann (03) 9584 4908

Email: comhaltasmelbourne@iinet.net.au

Website: www.members.iinet.net.au/~goreilly

- **Scottish Country Dancing:**

The website has SO many different venues, classes and dance associations and events listed that I couldn't possibly include them all here!! If you don't have a computer – ask a friend to help! Human contacts: Heather: 9503 9538, Jo: 9726 7431, George: 9808 6805, Ian: 9574 8586.

Website: www.home.vicnet.net.au/~rscds

- **Welsh Dancing:**

Welsh Dance Classes. St Thomas' (used to be St Theodore's) Hall, 107 Broughton Rd, Surrey Hills. Mel. 60 K2. Teacher: Ian Kendall. \$5 entry. Enq: Ian: 9898 4891 or Julia: 9890 2546.

- **Central Victorian Dances:**

Various Events. Colonial, Old-Time, New Vogue. Mostly couples dances. All welcome. Phone: Jo White: 9390 1385 or go to the Melbourne Colonial Dancers website and click on 'Oncoming Events' and then 'Old Time Dances'.

- **Clifton Hill Hotel Music Nights**

**** Every Wednesday night**, 8:30 pm till 11.30pm. **Three great acts.** Clifton Hill Hotel, cnr Wellington St & Queens Pde, Clifton Hill.

Phone: 03 9489 8705. Website: www.cliftonhillhotel.com

Booking agent: Rodney Claringbould: 0409 510 251

- **The Quiet Man Singers Sessions:**

First and Third Wednesdays of the month. Singers and musicians welcome. Very popular event, so arrive early! 8 pm at the Quiet Man Hotel, 271 Racecourse Road, Flemington. Enquiries: Kathryn Clements: 9497 3227.

- **Fathers in the Chapel:**

Second Friday of the month. Mainly bluegrass, old-timey, etc, acoustic music and voices, sessions and performances, unplugged. St John's Anglican Church, Childers St, Cranbourne. Enq: 03 5996 8461 or 5996 9544.

- **Berwick and District Folk Club:**

Third Friday of the month. The Old Cheese Factory, 34 Homestead Road, Berwick. 7.30 – 11.15 pm. \$10/\$7. Guest artists plus floor spots. Enq: 03 9702 1223. Email: badfolk@optusnet.com.au Website: www.badfolk.org and/or www.badfolk.websyete.com.au

***** Friday February 20th: BiG FOLK** – Frank Jones and band.

***** Friday March 20th: Nick Charles** –one of Oz's most mesmerising guitarists – and a good singer too!.

- **Pickin' at the Piggery:**

Third Saturday of the month except Feb, Sept and Nov. Bluegrass, blues, old-timey jams and performances. Footscray Community House, Moreland St, Footscray. Enq: Janet Dear: 03 5368 6888, 53681213 (bh).

- **Newport Fiddle and Folk Club:**

Folk Club Night:

* **Fourth Friday of the month.** Newport Community Hall, 15 Mason St, Newport, 7.30 pm. All welcome to BYO instruments, voices, listening ears. \$5 / gold coin. www.vicnet.net.au/~nffc Michael Stewart, 03 9399 4466. Email: planchan@optusnet.com.au

* **Newport Bush Orchestra:** (Conducted by Greg O'Leary) Mondays, 7:30pm – 9:30pm. Term One begins Feb 2nd. All levels welcome. \$80 per term. Outlets Community Cooperative, 43 Mason St Newport

* **Newport Community Choir:** (Conducted by Alan Davies) Wednesdays starting Feb 4th, 7.30 – 9pm. \$80 per term or \$10 per session. Newport Baptist rear church hall, 26 Mason St Newport. Enq: 03 9391 1103

* **Nosh Cafe – Newport Gypsy Djangos:** First Saturday of month. 2pm – 4pm, Nosh Cafe, 24 Hall St Newport.

* **Newport RSL - "BBQ and Bands"** Second Sunday of the month. 12pm – 5pm. Newport RSL, 28 Market St Newport. Music and barbecue all afternoon.

SPECIAL GUITAR WORKSHOP – PETER BAYLOR
Saturday February 21st 1pm – 5pm.

Outlets Community Centre, 43 Mason St, Newport. \$30/\$25/\$16. The development of "roots" music, through blues, jazz, country, gypsy and rockabilly. All levels. Contact Michael Stewart as above.

- **Acoustic Night at Breizoz Creperie:**

Second Thursday of the Month, Breizoz Creperie, 139 Nelson Place, Williamstown. 7pm. \$10 door charge.

* **Thurs February 12th:** Bruce Watson and BlackWaterSide.
Contact: Greg on 9397 5224 or greg_hammond23@hotmail.com
www.myspace.com/greghammond

- **Harmony Row Vineyard**
- **Albert Park Yacht Club Concerts**
- **Tuesday Night "Don't Tell Tom" Sessions**

** **Two great concert venues** – one at **Harmony Row Vineyard** in the country near Kyneton, the other the **Albert Park Yacht Club Port Lounge**, close to Melbourne city.
** **Session venue** for both **singers** and **musicians** on the second Tuesday of the month at **"Don't Tell Tom"** bar and café, 420 Sydney Rd, Brunswick.

** **For Albert Park concerts and Don't Tell Tom session** contact Cliff Ellery at taxman@bigpond.net.au or 03 9690 1233

** **For Harmony Row concerts** contact Dennis Cartwright on 03 5423 5286 or 0400804 855 or website www.harmonyrow.com.au

*** **Don't Tell Tom singing and music session:** Tuesday 10th February, 7.30 onwards.

*** **Harmony Row:** Saturday 28th February, 12 noon for lunch (\$49) or 2.30pm for show only (\$25) – **James Blundell**.

*** **Harmony Row:** Sunday 1st March, 12 noon for lunch (\$60) or 2.30pm for show only (\$35) – **Kieran Kane, Kevin Welch, Fats Kaplin and Lucas Kane**.

*** **Albert Park:** Friday 13th March, 7.30pm, \$25/\$20 incl finger food – **Kristina Olsen and Lloyd Spiegel**.

*** **Harmony Row:** Sunday 22nd March, 12 noon for lunch (\$59) or 2.30pm for show only (\$35) – **Chris While and Julie Matthews, and Bluehouse**.

*** **Harmony Row:** Sunday 29th March, 12 noon for lunch (\$39) or 2.30pm for show only (\$15) – **The Yearlings**

- **Wine and Music Events**

Run by Andrew Pattison of Troubadour and Newstead Live! fame. All events run at Burke and Wills Winery, 89 Coombes Lane, Mia Mia, 101 kms NW of Melbourne. Bookings and information: Phone: 03 5425 5400. Email: wineandmusic@bigpond.com Web: www.wineandmusic.net

** **Sun February 22nd:** Mary Coughlan (Ireland) and Kristina Olsen (USA). Lunch and show: \$55, show only: \$30.

** **Sat March 21st:** Burke and Wills Wine Dinner.

** **Sun March 22nd:** Chile's Nano Stern and Australia's Shane Howard. Prices as above.

** **Fri April 17th:** Rodney Crowell (USA). Dinner and show: \$70, show only: \$45.

- **The Ranges Burrinja Folk Club**

Last Friday of the month, featuring great acoustic music in the relaxed and friendly, intimate atmosphere of the Burrinja Café, Dandenong Ranges Community Cultural Centre, 351 Glenfern Rd Upwey - Melway map ref : 75 B12. \$10, \$7.

- **Dandenong Ranges Music Session**

Second Sunday of the month, Upwey RSL, Mast Gully Road, Upwey, Vic. 3.00 pm till 6.00 pm. Come-all-ye musicians and singers. ** Not on in October.

- **Woodend Celtic Music Session**

Third Sunday of the month, 3-5pm, led by the Black Forest Rogues. Keating's Hotel (Holgate Brewhouse), 79 High Street, Woodend, Vic. Free entry.

- **Geelong Folk Music Club**

Second Tuesday of the month – Open Mic Night. 8pm. Irish Murphy's Pub, 30 Aberdeen St, Geelong. Phone (03)5221 4335.

Meals, drinks, coffee available. Enquiries to Adam at admin@geelongfolkmusicclub.com or check out the club website: www.geelongfolkmusicclub.com

Occasional **"Live and Local"** feature concerts, also at Irish Murphy's.

- **Melbourne Session Calendar**

(Please let us know if there should be alterations to this list.)

SATURDAYS:

Irish: Dan O'Connell Hotel, Princes St, Carlton. 5pm.

Old-Timey: Homestead Inn, Queens Pde, Clifton Hill. 5-8.30

SUNDAYS:

Irish: Normanby Hotel, Queens Pde, Clifton Hill. 3pm.

Singing: with Peter Anderson, Dan O'Connell Hotel.

Irish: Quiet Man Hotel, 271 Racecourse Rd, Flemington. 5pm. Led by Joe Fitzgerald. Phone (03) 9376 6232.

** Email: info@thequietman.com.au

** Website: www.thequietman.com.au

MONDAYS:

Irish: Lomond Hotel, Nicholson St, Brunswick. 9pm. Great varied session, mainly tunes but some songs thrown in too.

TUESDAYS:

Irish Slow Sessions: Father Flanagan's Irish Pub, 484 Smith St, cnr Alexandra Pde, Collingwood. 7.30 till 11.00 pm. Singers and musicians welcome.

** Website: www.irishsession.googlepages.com

Irish Session: Clifton Hill Hotel, 89 Queens Parade.

WEDNESDAYS:

Irish: The Comhaltas Session – music, song and dance – St Philips Church Hall, 150 Hoddle St, Collingwood. 03 9337 3639. 7.30pm.

Old-Timey: Railway Hotel, Nicholson St, Fitzroy. 9pm.

THURSDAYS:

Irish: The Corkman Hotel, Leicester Place, Carlton. 6.30pm.

FRIDAYS:

Irish: The Celtic Club, 316 Queen St, City. 5.30pm.

Old-Timey: "Headbilly Buzzard" gigs, Railway Hotel, Nicholson St, Fitzroy.

- *I have lifted some of the following listings from Roger Holdsworth's website at www.geocities.com/rogermhold Roger broadcasts the radio show "Global Village" on PBS-FM 106.7 on Sundays from 8 – 10pm. Also some from the Boite and Community Music Victoria's websites.*

EVERY WEDNESDAY:

8.00 pm: **Stiletto Sisters Duo:** Borsch, Vodka and Tears, 173 Chapel Street, Prahran: 9530 2694

EVERY SUNDAY:

7.30 pm: **Stiletto Sisters:** After the Tears, 9 Gordon Street, Elsternwick: 9523 0969

MONDAY 2 February:

7.30 pm: **King Marong and Afro Mandinko: St Kilda**

Festival: Soco Cargo, St Kilda

Buraka Som Systema (Portugal): East Brunswick Club Hotel, Lygon Street, East Brunswick: 9388 9794

TUESDAY 3 February:

7.00 pm: **Klub MUK:** 303, 303 High Street, Northcote

WEDNESDAY 4 February:

6.30 pm: **Black Roots + Mai Nachungi Dance Company:** Queen Street Stage, Night Market, Queen Victoria Market, Queen Street, North Melbourne - free

6.30 pm: **Margareta Amore with Dave Evans: The European Cafe Concert:** Peel Street Stage, Night Market, Queen Victoria Market, Peel Street, North Melbourne - free

6.30 pm: **Valanga and Andrea Khoza:** BackStage, Night Market, Queen Victoria Market, Queen Street, North Melbourne - free

8.00 pm: **NicTsiavos + Deborah Kayser:** Searchlight Festival: fortyfivedownstairs, 45 Flinders Lane, Melbourne: 9662 9966

Miles To Go Trio (WA): Nicholas Hotel, Beechworth

THURSDAY 5 February

8.00 pm: **Elissa Goodrich + Virginia Cusworth (performer) + Michael Carmody (visual artist): Scanning the Bones: inspired by the works of Gwen Harwood:** Searchlight Festival: fortyfivedownstairs, 45 Flinders Lane, Melbourne: 9662 9966

SATURDAY 7 February:

2.00 pm: **Bruce Watson:** La Mama (for kids), 205 Faraday Street, Carlton: 9347 6142

5.30 pm: **Musiki Manjaro:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

10.00 pm: **Bando Forró Retado + MelSamba Show Bateria + more: Forró-Samba:** Czech House, 497 Queensberry Street, North Melbourne: 0402 322 301

SUNDAY 8 February:

5.30 pm: **Valanga Khoza + Muhanamwe:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

THURSDAY 12 February:

Batucada Sound Machine: East Brunswick Club Hotel, 280 Lygon Street, East Brunswick: 9388 9794

SATURDAY 14 February:

10.30 am: **Vocal Workshop with Frankie Armstrong:** venue tba: Boite: 94171983 or 9417 3550

5.30 pm: **Musiki Manjaro:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

SUNDAY 15 February:

10.30 am: **Vocal Workshop with Frankie Armstrong:** venue tba: Boite: 94171983 or 9417 3550

5.30 pm: **African Royal Drummers:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

WEDNESDAY 18 February:

6.30 pm: **The Black Jesus Experience + Tabura:** Queen Street Stage, Night Market, Queen Victoria Market, Queen Street, North Melbourne - free

6.30 pm: **Jenny M Thomas:** Peel Street Stage, Night Market, Queen Victoria Market, Peel Street, North Melbourne - free

6.30 pm: **Joe Talia + Dale Gorfinkel: Found Sound: The Miles To Go Trio (WA):** Nicholas Hotel, Beechworth
Andy White: The Toff, 2nd floor, 252 Swanston Street, Melbourne: 9639 8770

THURSDAY 19 February:

Spooky Men's Chorale: filming for 'Spicks and Specks': ABC Studios, Ripponlea: 9524 2862

SATURDAY 21 February:

5.30 pm: **King Marong and Afro Mandinko:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

Mary Coughlan (Ireland) + Kristina Olsen (USA): Bennetts Lane, Melbourne: 9663 2856

Spooky Men's Chorale: Lithuanian Club, North Melbourne

SUNDAY 22 February:

5.00 pm: **Vinod Prasanna and Glen Kniebeiss:** Fairfield Amphitheatre, Heidelberg Road, Fairfield - free

5.30 pm: **Asanti Dance Theatre:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

MONDAY 23 February:

8.00 pm: **NicTsiavos + Deborah Kayser:** Musica at La Mama, La Mama, 205 Faraday Street, Carlton: 9347 6142

FRIDAY 27 February:

8.00 pm: **Zolfonoon Ensemble: Mystic Music of Poetry by Rumi:** Union Theatre, 1st floor, Union House, University of Melbourne, Parkville: 0411 447 473 or 9850 1185

SATURDAY 28 February:

5.30 pm: **King Bell and Soukous Ba Congo:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

SUNDAY 1 March:

3.00 pm: **Afro Mandinko: Party in the Park:** Allnut Park, Bentleigh

5.30 pm: **Asanti Dance Theatre:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

THURSDAY 5 March:

6.30 pm: **Soteria Bell:** Late Night Thursdays, NGV Australia, Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne

SATURDAY 7 March:

5.30 pm: **African Royal Drummers:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

SUNDAY 8 March:

5.30 pm: **Musiki Manjaro:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee: 9731 9600

Rachel Unthank and the Winterset: Toff in Town, Curtin House, Swanston Street, Melbourne: 1300 438 849

TUESDAY 10 March:

Natacha Atlas: Hamer Hall, Arts Centre, 100 St Kilda Road, Melbourne: 1300 136 166

THURSDAY 12 March:

start: **Brunswick Music Festival:** various locations, Brunswick: 9388 1460
6.30 pm: **Soteria Bell:** Late Night Thursdays, NGV Australia, Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne
Tony Allen: Corner Hotel, 57 Swan Street, Richmond: 9427 9198

WEDNESDAY 18 March:

6.30 pm: **Ross Manning + guest: Found Sound: The Experimental Instrument Project:** Guildford Lane Gallery, 20-24 Guildford Lane, Melbourne

THURSDAY 19 March:

6.30 pm: **Soteria Bell:** Late Night Thursdays, NGV Australia, Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne

THURSDAY 26 March:

6.30 pm: **Soteria Bell:** Late Night Thursdays, NGV Australia, Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne

FRIDAY 27 March:

Eric Bibb: Meeniyah Town Hall, Meeniyah

TUESDAY 31 March:

Luka Bloom: National Theatre, St Kilda: 136 100

Eric Bibb: Palais Theatre, Melbourne

6th – 8th March: Womadelaide Festival, Botanic Park, Adelaide. Fabulous festival of the sounds of the planet! Hundreds of artists, six stages. 1300 30 40 72.
www.womadelaide.com.au

13th – 15th March: Blue Mountains Folk Music Festival, NSW. Enquiries: 1800 651 322. Email: info@bmf.org.au
Website: www.bmf.org.au

12th – 22nd March: Brunswick Music Festival, Vic.

Sunday March 1st - Sydney Road Street Party

This is a almost month-long festival is a fabulous feast of music right here in our own city.

Folk Victoria is running a youth concert for the festival, with Celtaclismic and Coral, on Friday 13th March. Our members can book for this concert at the concession price.

Book online : www.brunswickmusicfestival.com.au

Festival office open Feb 2nd: Phone: 03 9388 1460.

Email: johnbmf@vicnet.net.au.

20th – 22nd March: Yackandandah Folk Festival, Victoria.

Friendly music festival in a historic village, featuring international, national and local artists. Email:

folkfestival@yackandandah.com

Website: www.folkfestival.yackandandah.com

20th – 22nd March: The Basin Music Festival, Dandenong Ranges, Vic.

A grass roots folksy and community festival in a beautiful area. Contact: PO Box 230, The Basin, Vic, 3154. President: John: 0402 138 834. Programmer: Ray: 0408 314 778. Website: www.thebasinmusic.org.au

27th – 29th March: Apollo Bay Music Festival, Vic.

Phone: 03 5237 6761.

Email: info@apollobaymusicfestival.com

Website: www.apollobaymusicfestival.com

2nd – 9th April: The Man From Snowy River Bush

Festival, Corryong, Vic. Entertainment, horsemanship, re-enactments, poetry and music. Phone: 02 6076 1992.

Email: info@bushfestival.com.au

Web: www.bushfestival.com.au

9th – 13th April: National Folk Festival, Exhibition Park, Canberra.

Arguably the best folk festival in Australia! Hundreds of performers, great atmosphere, on-site camping.

Pre-bookings are now open. Phone: 02 6262 4792, email:

info@folkfestival.asn.au or check out:

www.folkfestival.asn.au

17th – 19th April: Fairbridge Festival, WA.

WA's major folk festival. Phone: 08 9246 3311

Email: admin@fairbridgefestival.com.au

Website: www.fairbridgefestival.com.au

Festivals

20th – 23rd February: Fiddlers' Convention, Yarra Junction, Victoria. Old-Timey, bluegrass, Cajun, blues, folk, swing, hillbilly, Hawaiian, jug band, etc. Concerts, workshops, sessions. Camp Eureka, Tarrango Road, Wesburn. Camping or limited cabin accommodation. Enquiries: Ken McMaster: 03 9481 7662 or 0419 580 642.

20th – 22nd February: Cobargo Folk Festival, NSW.

Enquiries: 02 6493 6758 or email:

cobargofolkfestival@bigpond.com

Website: www.cobargofolkfestival.com

20th – 22nd February: Frances Folk Gathering, SA. Phone:

08 8765 1093. Email: folk@francesfolkgathering.com.au

Website: www.francesfolkgathering.com.au

27th February – 2nd March: Nannup Music Festival, WA.

Music from around the globe in picturesque Nannup, near Margaret River. Enq: 08 9756 1511.

Website: www.nannupmusicfestival.org

6th – 9th March: Port Fairy Folk Festival, Port Fairy, Vic.

www.portfairyfolkfestival.com

Phone: 03 5225 1232 or 5568 2227

6th – 9th March: Burke & Wills Folk Gathering, Burke & Wills Winery, Vic.

A more intimate alternative to Port Fairy, at the Burke and Wills Winery, near Lancefield in central Victoria. One stage running all weekend, concerts, plenty of sessions, food, on-site camping. Phone: 03 5425 5400.

www.wineandmusic.net