

# Wagon Wheel



*Newsletter of  
The Country Music Association of Canberra Inc*

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## **2019 COMMITTEE**

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**NEXT WALK-UP SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2019**  
**WALK-UP START TIME 1.30pm**  
**CANBERRA IRISH CLUB**  
**6 Parkinson Street, WESTON**  
**For more information contact Bev on 0412 559 113**

# **Presidents Report**

Dear CMAC Members and Friends

On ANZAC Day 2019 I decided to go to my old home town of Orbost, Victoria to attend for the ANZAC Day ceremony first time, however as sometimes happens with well laid plans of mice and men, fate intervened and instead I got to spend a lazy 9 days just hanging around doing nothing in the ICU Unit of ward 14B of the Canberra Hospital. So, I missed ANZAC Day but also missed the last walk-up which I heard was very well attended, had great guest Artists, John Stephenson and friends and several new attendees. I once again and always want to thank your CMAC Committee who do such an excellent job of ensuring things run smoothly on walk-up days as well as ensuring the club functions effectively at other times.



**Guest Artist John Stephenson along with Laraine, Bev and Socks**

Last Saturday night CMAC presented the Luke O'Shea show at the Canberra Irish Club. The night was very well attended, Luke put on a great performance. He was supported by the very talented and entertaining Dana Hassall. Also, I would like to extend a very warm thanks to our Vice President, Dene Burton, for not only providing the sound PA but also operating the sound all night. Dene did this free of charge.

## **“Ghosts of Country Past”**

In conjunction with the Canberra Irish Club, CMAC Has planned what should be a very entertaining and fun night scheduled for Saturday 20 July 2019. The idea for the night is for CMAC to put on show style entertainment with several CMAC member artists as well as any interested artists who are members of the Canberra Irish Club. The participating artists will choose songs from country music entertainers who have died. Members are encouraged to dress up as their chosen artists and there will be a prize for the best dressed artist. So that there is no duplication of songs and that you get to do the songs that you want you will need to send your song list to the president at [sealco@grapevine.com.au](mailto:sealco@grapevine.com.au) by the evening of 3 June, 2019. When you send your songs if you could include all the relevant information such as, cord chard, key, tempo etc. If you have a recording of the style you intend to perform or a You Tube link could you also include that. There will be a band for the night and once all songs have been received the band will rehearse to familiarize themselves with your song and style. There will also be a couple of rehearsals with singers to ensure everyone is familiar with the way you will present your songs. This will be a fun night and as this is not a walk-up spot on the show will be limited,

Look forward to seeing you all on Sunday

Yours in Country  
Peter Seal  
President

## **Social Directors Report**

Hi Members and Friends,

First things first, the cupboard, now this dam cupboard, it has been a pain in the neck, for some time, but finally it has arrived at the Irish Club, all assembled, and the assembler has developed grey hairs, and a tortured mind, because, it came with no instructions or perhaps, maybe, the senders forgot to include them in the kit, so poor Meryl ( who is quite a wiz at this sort of thing) has had to battle on her own, but then,

maybe Dene tried to help, but she was so frustrated she told him to go jump, anyway, the cupboard is there, now we can start using it, yippee.

Before we get to our walk up, we have to give regards to our President Peter, who has had a little set back, as far as his health is concerned I won't go into details, but I'm sure he'll be back soon, so do as your told Pete, and get better soon.

Now, May walk up, how good was that, Dene was in charge of the sound, and did such a great job, also he took it upon himself to purchase a screen, so things can be advertised to everybody, in regards to upcoming events, what a great idea, now we'll just have to forgive him for, tripping and crashing into a guitar when he went up to the stage to sing, he really didn't mean to do that.

The guest artist this month was John Stephenson, he has been a member of CMAC for many years, even though he now lives in the UK, he still comes home to visit his Mum, and always tries to come when the walk ups are on, and he was great, he was backed by Mark Sutton, Wayne Kelly (who John went through the Jazz School of Music with many years ago) and our very own Sox, and I might add they did not have a practice until they met up at the venue on the day, so how good was that, well done fellows, it was most enjoyable, and John your rendition of Kenny Rodgers "Lady" was tops, and a big thank you for asking me to sing "Blue Eyes" with you that was very special, it was a song I loved doing with your dad Gary, and your Mum was so nervous playing bass, I could hear her knees shaking, but she got there.

It was good to see Greg Lalor, he visited us at the end of last year, and he was back for a visit, as it was his daughter's birthday, so that worked in well.

Now for the artists,

- 1/ Peter Wardrop, it's good to see you've become a Member Pete,
- 2/ Leo Laverty, well not only does he sing and play the guitar, but his keyboard playing ability, (wow!!) I was blown away great.
- 3/ John Stephenson, Guest Artist, with Mark Sutton, Wayne Kelly, and Sox, great sound fellows,

- 4/ Adam, he did a couple of poems, that he'd written with a little help from Dene, well done, army hat and all,
- 5/ Bev, Stokes, with a little help from her friends, Laraine, Dawne John and Sox, it sounded ok old girls
- 6/ Dene Burton, sound man, vice pressy, he is a great asset to our club, and we all appreciate you Dene,
- 7/ Charlie Elsum, it appears that Charlie has overcome all his nerves, and he's moving on, so well done, keep it up, you're going great guns,
- 8/ Dean Jones, good to see you back, Dean, suffers with a few nerves but he's getting better.
- 9/ "Chillin" (Shaz Caz and Sox), always does sound great, the last song featured, was written by Caz called "Your Sweet Face" she has just become a Grandma to a little girl and the song was just beautiful, the lyrics were very good.
- 10/ Ralph Martin, backed by Sox again, Sox will always help in any way he can.
- 11/ Greg Lalor, all the way from the Gold Coast, I have to say he has the best spread sheets with the cords of his songs on it I've ever seen.
- 12/ Peter and Margaret, great.
- 13/ Chris Van Reir he has a style of his own, which I enjoy so much. The club is so lucky to have all this talent.

Now for the Trivia, thanks Dawne, it was an item this month, something a little different, and when all was said and done, the answer was "Vegemite" the winner was David Jones.

Raffles, it raised \$101, and the winners are

1<sup>st</sup> Glennie Hungerford, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marianne Elsum, 3<sup>rd</sup> Robbie McKay,  
4<sup>th</sup> Luke O'Shea ticket, Mike Crozier, congrats to all.

CMAC's June walk up is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June so come along and enjoy the artists or bring an instrument and have a song or two or just come along and have a sing, I'm sure someone will back you.

Don't forget Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> of July, if you're a member of CMAC, we, in conjunction with the Irish Club are holding a "Ghosts of Country Past" (it is not a walk up) and that means you pick out 3 songs of an artist who has passed away, do your best to dress up like them, send your songs to our President's email address, sealco@grapevine.com.au

if you don't have a computer give him a ring on (H) 62884434 (M) 0406376470 also, add the key you are singing in, because you will be singing with a band, which has been organized by Peter but don't be discouraged by singing with a band, because we will be having a couple rehearsals beforehand ok, it should be fun.

Well that's enough from me so until next time, keep well, keep safe, and keep it country folks, bye for now. Bev.

## **REGULAR MUSICAL FUNCTIONS HELD IN THE AREA**

### **JAMMALONG IN CANBERRA**

**Michael and Dianne Porter** host the regular monthly 'Jammalong in Canberra' and support the work of reclaiming public parks for acoustic music.

**From midday on the second Saturday of each month till we have had enough. Under the Pergola in the park beside Enid Lyons Street.** Situated on the lake side of the Questacon Building is a public park with BBQ facilities under a large pergola. There is a public toilet with disabled access and ample parking for cars nearby. Website [parkmusic@weeby.com](mailto:parkmusic@weeby.com) or Phone Michael & Dianne 6257 7397

**JAMMALONG is also at "Up Opping Second Hand Clothing"** 82-88 Limestone Avenue from 10.00am to 2.00pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month. Homemade refreshments available for sale

### **Goulburn Country Music Association**

Monthly walk-up on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday month at the Goulburn Starting at 11.00am Ph Loz 0427 484 448  
For more details

### **Eurobodalla Country Music & Social Club Inc**

Monthly walk-up on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at Mechanics Institute Hall, Braidwood St. Nelligen starting at 11.00am  
Phone Brain Coulton 0497-278 433

### **Tumut Valley Country Music Club Inc**

Monthly walk-up 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at Tumut Golf Club starting at 2.00pm Contact Melba 6947 4097

### **THE MURRUMBATEMAN ACOUSTIC CLUB**

"The Murrumbateman Acoustic Club meets at the Murrumbateman Inn (about 30 minutes drive from Canberra) on the last Sunday of each month except December. The first act commences at 6:00pm EST during the warmer months and 5:00pm during Daylight Saving Time. The format is a straightforward using a white board where artists place their name and walk up and perform when introduced. Musicians, singers and poets are all welcome. Performers of all levels are made very welcome by the enthusiastic audience. The Murrumbateman Inn provides a relaxing atmosphere and great meals are available from the Bistro."

You can contact Wal Brewer on 0407 591 630

### **Queanbeyan RSL Bowling Club**

**Rose Cottage < Sing for your supper every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday night from 6.00pm**

## **AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY DIARY**

Listen to Mike Crozier's *Australian Country* on Saturday mornings between 8.00am and 12.00 noon on Tuggeranong's Valley FM 89.5, & streaming via [www.valleyfm.com](http://www.valleyfm.com) when Mike will bring you information on what is happening in Canberra and the surrounding area. If you have a request, email Mike on [eagle@crozier.com.au](mailto:eagle@crozier.com.au) .

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### Sunday May 26

Dana Hassall is at the Dock Kingston.

Eurobodalla Country Music & Social Club walk-up at the Mechanics Institute Hall, Braidwood Street Nelligen, starting at 11.00am. Enquiries to Brian Coulton on 0497 278 433.

The Murrumbateman Acoustic Club meets at the Murrumbateman Inn from 6.00pm. Enquiries to Wal Brewer on 0407 591 630. Performers at all levels welcome. White board format.

### Thursday May 30

Chris Webb & Friends are at the National Press Club Barton from 7.00pm.

### Friday May 31

Dana Hassall is at the Salotto Bar & Kitchen Kingston.

Chalkie White is at the Criterion Hotel Crookwell from 8.30pm.

### Saturday June 1

A Jammalong is at Up Opping Second Hand Clothing, 82-88 Limestone Avenue from 10.00am.

Dana Hassall is at Badger & Co, Kambri Precinct ANU Civic.

Jamie Agius is at the Queanbeyan RSL Memorial Bowling Club from 7.30pm.

Country rocks with Ben Ransom at the Tourist Hotel Queanbeyan from 8.00pm.  
Chalkie White is at the Gordon Hotel Goulburn from 8.00pm

### Sunday June 2

**The Country Music Association of Canberra Walk-up is at the Canberra Irish Club, 6 Parkinson Street Weston, from 1.30pm. Enquiries to Bev on 0412 559 113. Meals available at the Club from 12.00 noon.**

Stars of Young Dance for Cancer Fundraiser, Young Golf Club from 1.00pm.

### Thursday June 6

Chris Harland Blues Band is at the National Press Club Barton from 7.00pm.

### Friday June 7

The Kings of Country Tribute Show, with Michael Moore as Willie Nelson, Ted Virgil as John Denver, & Philip Bauer as Johnny Cash, at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Woden. Dinner & show with a 6.00pm sit down \$82.65, show only with an 8.00pm start \$47.65.



Jamie Agius is at the Crookwell RSL Club from 7.00pm.

Chalkie White is at the Commercial Hotel Young from 8.00pm.

Country Rocks with Ben Ransom at the Goulburn Workers Club from 9.30pm.

### **Saturday June 8**

Jammalong in Canberra hosted by Michael & Dianne Porter, from 12.00noon under the pergola in the park beside Enid Lyons Street on the lake side of the Questacon building. Check the website [parkmusic@weeby.com](mailto:parkmusic@weeby.com) or phone 6257 7397 for more information.

**For Queen & Country Music Festival at The George Harcourt Inn from 12.00 noon with Jayne Denham, Hayley Jensen, Chalkie White, Rose & Co featuring Lianna Rose, Jake Sinclair & Leanne Castley. Tickets from Georgetix.com.**

Country rocks with Craig Knox at the Tourist Hotel Queanbeyan from 8.00pm.

Country Rocks with Ingrid May at the Alpine Hotel Cooma from 8.30pm.

### **Thursday June 13**

The Groove Kings are at the National Press Club Barton on Thursday from 7.00pm.

Amber Lawrence is at the Robertson Public House.

### **Friday June 14**

Dana Hassall is at King O'Malley's Irish Pub, City Walk Civic.

Amber Lawrence with her Spark Album Launch is at the Harmonie German Club Narrabundah.

Chalkie White is at the Criterion Hotel Crookwell.

Jamie Agius is at the Australian Rules Football Club Wagga Wagga from 8:15pm.

### **Saturday June 15**

Country rocks Queanbeyan with Brawn' at the Tourist Hotel from 8.00pm.

Dana Hassall is at the Royal Hotel Queanbeyan.

Russell Morris on his *APIA Good Times Tour* is at the Theatre Centre Canberra. Tickets from [canberratheatrecentre.com.au](http://canberratheatrecentre.com.au).

Chalkie White is at the Boorowa Hotel from 8.00pm.

Jamie Agius is at the Hibernian Hotel Goulburn from 8.30pm.

Ian Burns Band is at the Loaded Dog Hotel Tarago from 9.00pm.

### **Sunday June 16**

Dana Hassall is at The Dock Kingston.

Goulburn Country Music Association Walk-up is at the Railway Bowling Club Goulburn from 11.00am. Enquiries to Loz on 0427 484 448.



Tumut Valley Country Music Club Walk-up is at the Tumut Golf Club starting 2.00pm. Contact Melba on 6947 4097 for details.

Troy Cassar-Daley on his Greatest Hits Tour is at the Milton Theatre, Milton.

### **Thursday June 20**

Annie & the Armadillos are at the National Press Club Barton from 7.00pm.

Lee Kernaghan is at the Yoogali Club Griffith NSW. See [www.oztix.com.au](http://www.oztix.com.au) for bookings & information.

### **Friday June 21**

Lee Kernaghan is at the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre Wagga Wagga. See [www.civictheatre.com.au](http://www.civictheatre.com.au) for bookings & more information.

Jamie Agius is at the Dubbo RSL Club from 7.30pm.

### **Saturday June 22**

Country rocks Queanbeyan with Kora Naughton at the Tourist Hotel from 8.00pm.

Lee Kernaghan is at the Albury Entertainment Theatre Albury. See [www.alburyentertainmentcentre.com.au](http://www.alburyentertainmentcentre.com.au) for bookings & more information.

### **Sunday June 23**

Dana Hassall is at the Royal Hotel Queanbeyan.

Eurobodalla Country Music & Social Club walk-up at the Mechanics Institute Hall, Braidwood Street Nelligen, starting at 11.00am. Enquiries to Brian Coulton on 0497 278 433.

### **Thursday June 27**

PJ O'Brien is at the National Press Club Barton from 7.00pm.

### **Friday June 28**

Dana Hassall is at the Dickson Tradies Club Dickson.

Jamie Agius is at the Southern Railway Hotel Goulburn from 8.00pm.

Chalkie White is at the Criterion Hotel Crookwell.

### **Saturday June 29**

Country rocks Queanbeyan with NeillyRich and band at the Tourist Hotel from 8.00pm.

Jamie Agius is at the Gordon Hotel Goulburn from 8.00pm.

### **Sunday June 30**

The Murrumbateman Acoustic Club meets at the Murrumbateman Inn from 6.00pm. Enquiries to Wal Brewer on 0407 591 630. Performers at all levels welcome. White board format.

### **Thursday July 4**

Julian James Band is at the National Press Club Barton from 7.00pm.

### Friday July 5

Dana Hassall is at the Salotto Bar & Kitchen Kingston.

Jamie Agius is at the Crookwell RSL Club from 7.00pm.

Country Rocks with Drew McAlister at the Alpine Hotel Cooma from 8.30pm.

Country Rocks with Ingrid Mae at the Goulburn Workers Club from 9.30pm.

### Saturday July 6

Chalkie White is at the Boorowa Hotel from 8.00pm.

Jamie Agius is at the Hibernian Hotel Goulburn from 8.30pm.

### Sunday July 7

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Dana Hassall is at Young & Frisky Gungahlin.

### Saturday July 20

**Country Music Association of Canberra together with the Canberra Irish Club present an entertainment & tribute night at the Canberra Irish Club, 6 Parkinson Street Weston from 6.00pm. Entry cost is \$5.00. It's a walk-up style event, with each performer choosing three songs to perform from a Country artist who has passed on.**

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