

BUNDABERG COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB INC. NEWSLETTER

Country Coo-ee



Christmas Party Games—from the Victorian Era

"Snapdragon" was one of the most popular party games in Victorian times.

A bowl was filled with brandy and currants and the brandy was then set alight! The players had to try to snatch the currants from the burning brandy and eat them. The currants were alight! The trick was to close your mouth quickly once you had popped them in your mouth. Suggest it at your next Christmas party and be ready to perform CPR on the Workplace Health and Safety officer!

A version of "Blind Man's Bluff" was called "Queen of Sheba". A girl sat on a chair in the middle of the room and a blindfolded young man was twirled around until he had no idea which way he was facing. He then had to find the girl and give her a kiss. While he was searching, the young girl's place would be taken by an old woman, much to the embarrassment of the young man when he finally planted his kiss and pulled off the blindfold!!

★ Matt Munro continues his musical journey and has just given a performance at the launch of local musician, Pete O'Brien's CD "Life."



WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN 2016?

If any of our members are performing in the local

area, don't forget to let me know the details as I can then put the information in the newsletter. We want to support you!! Obviously, if we are not aware of what you are up to, that is impossible.

Please email me at thewritehelp@outlook.com.au or ring me on 0447 273 591 with your details, photos etc and I can include it in the newsletter, space permitting. (Usually, not a problem.)

Thanks, Sue (Editor)



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Special points of interest:

- * Songwriters entries close 26 February.
- * Talent Quest Entries close 11th March
- * General Meeting
Tues 2 February 7pm
- * First Practice for 2016 will be on 21ST JANUARY
- * UBOBO NEW DATE 15/16/17 APRIL 2016 (ELDERS COUNTRY MUSIC)
- * REDLANDS FESTIVAL 2016 DATE CHANGE TO 13th, 14th, 15th MAY

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December 2015

Hi Everyone,

First, I would like to say that I feel extremely proud and honoured to have been chosen as the recipient of The QLD CHAMPION of CHAMPIONS Jim Mitchell Outstanding Achievement Award 2016.

I dedicate this Award to the Memory of the late Lyn Drage who was a great mentor and friend in the mid to late eighties when our associated Clubs and Festivals were in their infancy. Lyn willingly shared her knowledge while our Festival got on its feet and the great thing is to be able to share and improve for the future.

Many Thanks to CHAMPS Committee, I treasure it, my only regret is, had I had an inkling it was going to happen I would have done a crash course in Public Speaking befitting such a Presentation.

It was always on my Bucket List at the bottom, obviously.

Many thanks to Members and friends for their congratulatory messages and to Burt Everett, Country Pickings, GUARDIAN December 9th for his acknowledgement, which also included local, Bruce Lavender - Singer, Songwriter, Judge who recently won Album of the Year for CD - Take Me Back, at the Gidgee Coals C.M. Awards at Pittsworth, and up and coming stars of the future, Phoebe Jay and Owen Foster Griffith for their achievements at CHAMPS.

Burt is to be congratulated for his weekly contributions to the NewsMail /Guardian which date back to the late eighties. Members regularly travelled the Festival circuit and were very successful, by the end of the week, the whole district knew of their achievements from Burt's regular column. Many Thanks for your support, always.

Burt also was the recipient of many Awards in Song writing, Comedy, Instrumental, Yodel and Overall Performer, and for many years has been a presenter on 94.7FM and was duly awarded Life Membership of the BCMC Inc.

On behalf of the Country Music Community, many thanks to President Margie Campbell and a small, hard working Committee for the success of this years' Event, and who are dedicated to making next years' 29th CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS more appealing and prestigious for the next generation of talent. It was wonderful to see a new generation of Judges gracing the chair at CHAMPS. Familiar to our Club are Jenny Brosnan, Natalie Atkins & Scott Anderson - son of John who all very successfully competed at Bundy in the early 1990's.



32nd Annual BUNDY EASTER ROUND UP 25 - 26 - 27 March 2016

One of the objects of our Festival 2016 is to promote New Talent of the future, and particularly encourage and support the younger generations as they embrace their own MODERN style, in keeping Country alive.

To do this, we are extremely lucky to have on board, 2 very talented and vibrant younger generation Backing Band, husband and wife team Paula and Kane Gray who are keen to familiarize with your Backing requirements well before the Festival to ensure your performances are the best they can be.

Kane & Paula are saying - it's their turn to give back to the CM Community that supported them in their youth.

This offer is open to ALL contestants. Send Song choices, include Artist, Song Title, Key, Chording requirements to Paula M: 0429 470 559. Email: kpgray8@bigpond.com

KANE GRAY - Graduate of College of Country Music. Lead Guitarist numerous Country Rock Bands since 1996. PAULA GRAY -Rhythm and Bass Guitarist numerous Country Rock Bands since 2000.

Both have played at Mud Bulls and Music and have been the Opening Act for Adam Harvey, Beccy Cole, Tania Kerna-ghan, Travis Sinclair and Col Finlay, and both are accomplished vocalists.

ENTRY FORMS on line soon. Songwriters: Close 26th February.

Talent Quest Close: 11th March 2016.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Christmas is almost upon us and the country music year for the club is over. All round 2015 has been a good year for the club with new members signing up and the number of junior members increasing is very encouraging for the future of our brand of music. I would like to thank all the members new and old for their support and a special thank you to the committee and the many volunteers who help immeasurably to run our events.

The Christmas party was a great day out and I think a good mixture of relaxed attitude and fun and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the day as I did. A great Christmas lunch was supplied, thank you so much to the many people who contributed the food and the effort to make it so.

Thank you Kane and Paula for the use of your sound gear for the day. It saved a lot of time and effort in setting up and pulling down time and was appreciated at the end of a long day.

Another busy year events wise with the successful running of the 2015 Bundaberg Country Music Easter Round up behind us. Since then there has been big efforts made to streamline the organisation of the running of such a big show by introducing electronic banking, online entry forms and bookings for camping sites etc to try and lighten the organisation loads on the event organisers Sandy and Rod.

The introduction of Facebook has opened up a new world for us and at last night's meeting, Ian Foster Griffith put a proposal to the club that he would undertake the advertising of the clubs events including the Festival on the Facebook web to get to a greater range of people. I believe that this will open up a vast field of potential for us and the meeting has voted in favour of this proposal and Ian and Sandy will work together to make this happen. One thing that may need to be done is the participation of the members with Facebook pages to help share these event information updates, because it will broaden our coverage immensely.

Next year's Festival preparations are coming along fine and everything seems to be lining up for the event. We will be using a wrist band identification system at this year's event to avoid some of the confusion arising from the ticket system we used last year.

Alright, that's about it for last year, everyone have a great, safe Christmas and a happy New Year break.

Jeanette and myself are heading down to Jindabyne for the break stopping on the way down and back to catch up with relatives and friends and will think of you all when we are away. Please stay safe and we will see you all in the New Year.

Remember the first practise session is the 21st January and the first play out is in

February.

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

♦ Evelyn and Barry Power

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Irene O'Keeffe 16th John Balding 18th Lawry Bucholz 18th Patricia Cork 23rd

Sue Evans 24th December

January: Domenic Formica 1st Jenny Harding 2nd Rodelle Lancaster 3rd Chris Zylstra 4th

Dom Juliano 5th Haylee Pampling 7th Ashleigh Gordon 8th Arthur Miller 9th Katrina Treagus 10th

Margie Coll 13th Caleb Lancaster 17th Kaye Chalk 19th Dave Johnston 20th Frank Harding 22nd

Bunny Marsh 22nd Natasha van der Zwan 25th Colin Reid 26th David Bishop 31st



Wedding Anniversary



December: Don and Ruth Firth 12th Clinton and Kirsten Honor 18th

Judith and Theo Prior 26th **January:** Ian and Vilma Gordon 8th

Sharon and Jim Munro 9th Lorna and Bill Gale 11th Tricia and David Cork 11th

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HELPERS NEEDED !!

Helpers are needed for the fast approaching Bundy Easter Round Up. If you can give a little of your time, it would be greatly appreciated !!

Next meeting
Tuesday 2 February
at Family
Centre 7pm

The Meaning of Christmas

Christmas comes from two old English words, "Cristes" and "maesse" meaning Christ's mass. The word "maesse", in turn, is derived from the Latin, missa, which means either sending away, (as on a mission) or bringing together. It can also mean bread.

Bird Breeders Group

(Family Centre entrance behind Burrum St Medical Centre)

Ham Wheel/Goods and pick of table

Friday nights until Christmas

7.30pm start \$1.00 per ticket

TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2016

Friday 15th January to Sunday 24th January
2016

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Cnr Charles St and Torquay Rd, Pialba
Entry via rear doors off Torquay Road

Practice nights every Thursday from
7.00pm

Club Members and their guests welcome to attend. Purchase soft drinks, tea/coffee and biscuits from the kitchen.

Open Days last Sunday of the Month.

Club Members and the Public are invited to come along and be entertained by the Cool Country Music Club Band and Club singers and musicians. \$3 Entry Fee, Kids U14 free

Doors open at 12.30pm for a 1.00pm start. Some light refreshments can be purchased with BYO alcohol allowed.

**Contact Jenny Kelly for further
information. 4124 6916. Entry
fee is now \$5.00**

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Encore 96.3 Community Radio

The brand new station with the best in Easy Listening and Country Music for the Young at Heart.

Would you like to join a great band of dedicated volunteers as a presenter (training available) or as a social member? We would like the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the many possibilities available in Community Radio.

Contact Glenda 4151 8130 or Carol 0403 761 755



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