

REDLANDS MODERN COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB



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Welcome Our New Executive Committee

Announcement of Office Bearers for 2015-2016

At our August 25th AGM we welcomed a new Executive Committee for the next 12 months. This year saw the completion of Peter Cathcart & Bill Healey's three years maximum term as Treasurer and Vice President respectively. This meant a new committee was elected.

We welcome our New Vice President Peter Cathcart, New Secretary Rowena Braaksma, and New Treasurer Dehlia Brown.

For a list of all committee members and office bearers please see page 10.

Lighting Workshop

Expressions Of Interest – Now Open!

Members are invited to express their interest in attending a stage lighting workshop which will be presented by Neil Wills, our Lighting Coordinator.

This is a great opportunity for interested members to become actively involved in the presentation of our monthly socials.

The workshop will include topics such as:

- stage lighting set up
- control panel operation
- storage and handling

Neil has created a step by step procedure manual to assist with this aspect of set up for our events.

If you're interested please contact Kevin Brown.

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President's Report

At the conclusion of my first term as president of the club, I look back with pride on what we have achieved, and forward with anticipation to the challenges and opportunities that lay ahead. The club can hold its head high as a successful, forward thinking, and altruistic organisation. Visiting clubs are openly envious of our venue, talented musicians/sound technicians, and of course our generous volunteers. I am proud to tell people that I'm president of the RMCMC, and look forward to continuing to serve the club in any way I can.

Looking back on our main achievements over the past 12 months; firstly: August 2014 was the 20th (and final) staging of the Redlands Bluegrass Festival. Well done to Neil & Cilla Wills and the extensive team of club volunteers that contributed.

- In December Neil accepted a presentation from the club for Cilla and his outstanding, continuous efforts with the Bluegrass Festival over the past 20 years
- The club also nominated Neil and Cilla for 2015 Redland City Council Australia Day Cultural Awards. Despite their outstanding achievement over a 20 year period, we were baffled when the award went to a nine year old.

In recent months we have achieved Council certification for the disability ramp. Construction began in early 2014 and this piece of infrastructure is a major benefit to the club. Congratulations to Des Boughen and all who volunteered throughout this project.

May 2015 saw the club host the most successful Country Music Festival I've been involved with during my time at the club. Congratulations to Lorraine Boughen and her organising team who have raised the bar yet again.

The club hosted a Fundraiser in aid of Queensland Champion of Champions in June this year. The event was coordinated by Margie Campbell and her team, and culminated in the club presenting Champs with a donation of \$2,500 towards the staging of this year's event.

One of the highlights of the past year for me has been the way the Food Committee has continued to flourish under the leadership of Debbie Brand. Debbie has worked extremely hard to ensure all tasks associated with food management have been shared and tackled in a holistic manner.

Two of the most important achievements over the past 12 months, in my opinion, have been: **1.** The ability of the club to maintain a strong membership base; which currently numbers around 200 members; and **2.** The ability to attract solid attendances at monthly socials. Throughout the year we have consistently achieved attendances in excess of 100 people, even through the colder months.

While, through our own hard work, we find ourselves the envy of many clubs, our continued success has created its own problems. I see connection to sewerage and the relocation and expansion of the toilets as a high priority for the club in the near future. The construction of an adjoining toilet block will also allow better utilisation of limited indoor space. Unfortunately this will be an expensive undertaking and one we could not hope to finance on our own. We have already held preliminary

discussions with council and our Pinklands neighbours to ensure a coordinated approach.

Another challenge I foresee is for us, as a club, to remain receptive to change and to encourage and welcome participation from our members. One of our most valuable assets we have is the willingness of members to help when needed. I will endeavour to see that we continue to welcome this generosity and foster the sharing of tasks and responsibilities.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the new executive committee, club office bearers and I'm confident they will continue to receive your support. Congratulations and a big "well done" to Bill and Dawn Healey, who were awarded Life Memberships at the 2015 AGM. This is well-deserved as I'm sure you'll agree.

Sadly, August saw the passing of Sharon Samways after a short illness, aged 64. Sharon was a member and regular at monthly socials; she will be sadly missed. I also extend our thoughts and sympathies to Margaret and Julieann Lynch following the recent loss of Margaret's brother Trevor.

On a brighter note, I take much pleasure in welcoming: Mat, Ethan & Zavier Ford and Simone Saverin; Robert Byrnes; Ron Smith; Leah, Aria, Presley & Lilly Briggs and Mitchell Harris as new members to the club this month.

A membership application from Glen Findlay was tabled for consideration.

A reminder that we do distribute key communications through email channels so if you want to be added to the email distribution list send your email address to Club Secretary Rowena Braakmsa at email address – secretaryrmcmc@gmail.com

Upcoming:

Food Committee Meeting – Tuesday prior to each social at 7.00 pm

General Committee Meetings – Second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm

Remember:

Club practice Friday evenings (7.30 pm)

RMCMC Country Music Program (100.3BayFM) Every Thursday (6pm-8pm)

Cheers



Kevin Brown (President)

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September Guest Artist

Margie Campbell



Margret Campbell is a lifetime club member from Jacobs Well, who is a well-known face in the Queensland country music scene.

Margie has come a long way from performing live on radio in Gympie in the 1950s; she also spent time touring with the Webb brothers. After moving to Brisbane she headlined several local country bands and formed part of the award winning country duo "Bobby and Dee". Her passions include songwriting and also nurturing young talent. She can recall a close association with a young Keith Urban in the early 1980s also Lyn Bowtell and others.

She now works regularly as a country music judge and has been a guiding light and current President for Queensland Champions of Champions festival.

September Members Spotlight

Hannah Jones



Hannah Jones is a 15 year old Australian Country singer, musician and performer.

She has been singing from a very young age. Hannah is passionate and inspired by country music and is currently learning guitar.

Hannah has performed in many country competitions across the state and has been successful in several, recently taking out Overall Junior Champion at Northern Suburbs Country Music Club's annual festival in June.

Hannah's moto is "Sing... Because you love it!"



Redlands Modern Country Music Club Radio Program

Catch our very own members presenting a weekly program on 100.3 Bay FM radio every Thursday night from 6pm-8pm.

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Vale: Sharon Samways

We were saddened to learn of the passing of club member and friend Sharon Samways on August 8th. Sharon, aged 64 years was a regular attendee at socials and will be sadly missed. We wish the family and friends comfort and peace of mind during this difficult time.

- Kevin Brown on behalf of RMCMC



Contributions for the October Newsletter must be received by
4pm Wednesday 23rd September

August Social Round Up

Article by Michael Sheehan. Photos by Rosie Sheehan

The evening really got underway mid-afternoon with a wonderful turnout of members to help with setup. It's a great time to catch up with fellow club members and share a few jokes and stories while arranging musical equipment, tables and chairs etc. for the evening's entertainment.

Speaking of evening it was a balmy start but as the evening progressed I for one went in search of my winter woollies – beanie to the rescue. But this didn't stop me from enjoying a wonderful social of good music, great food and warm friendship.

There was the usual solid turn out of members presenting the music they love. There was a cross-section of Merle Haggard, Alan Jackson, Dylan, Lennon & McCartney, Hank Williams, Gina Jeffreys, Johnny Cash, Creedence Clearwater Revival and Dolly Parton numbers presented. Some members also offered original material. This month, rather than listing each of those individual performers and the songs they presented I would like to take a slightly different tack. Special mention must be made (at the risk of sounding sexist and being labelled 'Trump') of how lovely and sparkly the women performers looked. Each one of them appeared to have gone to considerable effort to ensure they not only sounded good but also looked the part. Pressures on boys. (Rosie made me say this).

Our spotlight artist was Des Boughen who is without doubt one of the club stalwarts and all round good guy. Accompanied by Lorraine, Warren, Matt and Teresa, he presented a wonderful twenty minutes of country and bush ballad music. The numbers included A Good Hearted Women, Wings of a Dove, Folsom Prison and Ghost Riders In The Sky. This latter song always brings a smile to my face for reasons I am unable to explain in this family oriented newsletter. Ask me sometime and I will tell you the story.

Michael King was our guest artist. Michael is renowned for many things not the least of which is naming Jim's Beam. Better yet he is a consummate performer who manages to draw the audience into his world as he presents his music. I assume, from what Michael says, that facing the RCMCMC audience is much easier than doing parent teacher interviews. Trust they went well for you Michael. Each of his songs was introduced with a little story that helped place them in context and thus, to my way of thinking, drew the audience in as part of the act. Toot! Toot! – Trains will never be the same again.

Food glorious food. Once again thanks to all those who provided something for supper and to those willing kitchen hands presented so temptingly. Having said that, this month, in what must be an absolute first I actually didn't partake. Special mention must also be made of Margaret Lynch who whipped up a very classy camera bag for the camera and bits and pieces. Rosie is wrapped. In case you're

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wondering she's the one walking around generally making a nuisance of herself (her words not mine) taking copious photos some of which actually turn out ok. Thanks to all members who attended and to our visitors from Loganholme, Wynnum, Scarborough, Mackay, Woodridge and Alexandra Hills to name a few. We would love to have you come back. Finally thanks to all the wonderful musicians who played during the night in support of the artists and to those who endured the cold night air to help pack up after another fantastic evening.....



CLUB PRACTICE NIGHTS

Club practice nights are held every Wednesday & Friday evening from 7:30pm. While practice night is primarily for members, visitors are welcome to attend two complimentary sessions to help them determine whether they would like to apply for membership. Non performers are also welcome to come along and enjoy a social evening with their fellow members.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SEPTEMBER SOCIAL NIGHT

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

Setting Up From 3pm
Entertainment from 5pm

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

Starting at 7:30pm
Agenda items to be sent to the Secretary
prior to the meeting

FOOD COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

Starting at 7:00pm
For more information contact
Garth Brand lebree13sept@tpg.com.au

OCTOBER SOCIAL NIGHT

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER

Setting Up From 3pm
Entertainment from 5pm

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER

Starting at 7:30pm
Agenda items to be sent to the Secretary
prior to the meeting.

September Birthdays

4th – Bill Turner, Rod Campbell &
Olwyn Portbeuy

5th – Cheri Campbell

8th – Neil Wills

14th – Alan James

19th – Debbie Brand

20th – Jude Rodrigues

21st – Melanie Rodrigues & Win De
Goede

24th – Brendan Jones

29th – Dean Penrose, Lynette Tate &
Anthony Quinsee

Life Begins At 80

I have good news for you – the first 80-years are the hardest. The second 80, as far as experience goes, is a series of birthday parties. Everyone wants to carry your baggage and help you up the steps. If you forget your name or someone else's, you need only to explain you are 80.

If you put things away, then forget where you put them and have to search for hours to find them, or forget what you went to the store to buy, it's alright because you are 80. If you repeat a story two or three times in one evening, everyone expects it, for you are 80. If you act silly, it's your second childhood, everyone is looking for symptoms of softening of the brain. At 65 or 70, they expect you to retire to a little house by the beach and become a discontented, grumbling, limping has-been. But if you survive until you are 80, everyone is surprised that you are alive; surprised that you can walk, surprised that you can drive a car, surprised that there are lucid intervals. At 70 people are mad at you for everything. At 80, they 'forgive you for everything'. If you ask me, life begins at 80 ☺

Kindilin Open Day Performance

On Saturday 22nd of August, a group of club members headed off to Kindilan to provide some entertainment for their annual open day. Allen McMonagle was the first to arrive and set up single handedly, Hans & Rowena were fashionably late and the rest of the crew of Jan, Julie and Zareen, Garth, Alick and Dennis still have to provide their notes of explanation for tardiness (hehe). Allen opened with his Australiana songs and some good old Country entertainment to a very busy collection of kids and parents who proceeded to head into the bush for their various activities. The truth is they didn't actually leave until Rowena played the kazoo. (It is a Girl Guide camp; they should have flocked to the stage!!). Garth took over from Allen and sang some covers along with some of his beautiful original material. Jan was pleased to get up and sing nearly every song she brought along on the day (she had to be crash tackled off the mic numerous times (hehe)). Julie sang some Seekers songs and Zareen did a great job of a Seleen McAlister original. Allen had to leave early to get to his next gig which coincidentally was when the troops came back out of the bush for their lunch and a break from investigating the activities Kindilan offers. Dennis woke us all up with his rockin' songs and Alick played electric backing and sang a couple of oldies but goodies. Hans spent almost all day backing with his lovely rhythm guitar. By the time Kevin & Dehlia arrived just after lunch the whole crew was up on stage together having a great time. Of course the Browns were immediately invited on stage and performed some of their great duo songs. Some Kevin & The Coffee Cups numbers were added and we all finished off the day around 2pm with an all in rendition of "Wagon Wheel". Thanks to everyone for giving your time and coming along, it was a lot of fun on a perfect winter day in the beautiful Redlands bush environment of Kindilan. Thanks to Kindilan for inviting our club along to share your open day.



The Kindilan was a great supporter of the Redlands Bluegrass Convention for a large duration of its 20 year span. The Kindilan Outdoor Education & Conference Centre is located Cnr Days & German Church Road, Redland Bay QLD 4165. For more information please contact 3206 7291.

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Food Committee Coordinator	Garth Brand
Stage Manager	Dennis Bubke
Sound Production Team Coordinator	Des Boughen
Website Coordinator	Steve Wootton
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EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to our new look Newsletter!! It has all the same great reads, important information and updates but with a fresh layout! I hope you enjoy reading it this month!

If you are a member performing somewhere in our local area or if you know of an event coming up please drop me a line with the details and I'll endeavour to include it in our Calendar of Events Section.

Contributions for the October Newsletter close on Wednesday 23rd September at 4pm.

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Thanks, Julieann



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Club Performance: THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB Display Day

Sunday 18th October

Club members are invited to participate in a performance for The Morris Minor Car Club's Display Day being held on Sunday 18th October.

This display will take place at the Ormiston State School, located 82-110 Gordon Street, Ormiston (entry via Wellington Street) from 10am – 12noon.

If you are interested please contact Allen McMonagle.

Club Membership

Membership application forms are available from the website or at the registration table at club events. Please see our Membership Registrar's Peter Cathcart or Pam Faulkner for more information.

Family Membership	\$30
Adult Single 18+	\$15
Student (full time)	\$10
Pensioner Single	\$10
Family Pension Rate	\$20



GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

Meetings:	Second Tuesday of the month 7:30 pm SHARP: September Meeting 8 th and October Meeting 13 th
Practices:	Every Wednesday & Friday evening's starting at 7.30 pm
Club Social:	First Saturday of every month 5pm start (3pm setup)
Clubhouse	Pinklands Sports Reserve, 226 Cleveland-Redland Bay Road, Thornlands, 4165
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YouTube:	http://www.youtube.com/RedlandsCMClub

Walk Up Artist Information

Social Events

All walk-up artists wishing to be included in the program must report to the MC as soon as possible after arriving. The Social's Program Committee organise the evening's program (i.e. the time in which you appear on stage) from the list of names provided to them by the MC.

If you arrive after 5pm please immediately report to the MC. The Social's Program Committee will do their best to slot you into the program, but with limited time available it is not always possible to accommodate everyone. Please refer to the white board (left of the stage) which will display the order in which walk-up artists appear.

Each artist may perform two songs, with no encores, three songs for duets, or a total of 15 minutes for bands. Please advise the stage hands if you require backing. Chord charts for backing musicians are always helpful and preferable.

There is a room behind stage for your preparation. You must report to the stage hands and be ready and waiting back stage at least 10 minutes before your performance. Please ensure instruments are tuned before going on stage. Enjoy your performance and we hope to see you join us again soon.