

BASIC GUITAR COURSE

In the Course, I will be sharing my insights and experience with my fellow members and outline some of what I have learned about music relevant to guitar.

Music is mathematics. This is true of which notes make up the key for the song and which notes make up the individual chord structures. This is also true of the song structure and the patterns of chords that apply. Music is not a jumble of alternatives. It has form and structure. I am always learning myself and always happy to be enlightened by others. The course goal is to make you more versatile as guitarists.

Songs follow a simple structure or set of Chords. There are always exceptions, but not commonly. If you know the pattern of the chords, you can then easily change the key of the song. I will cover simple fingerings for some of the more complex chords.

THE DEAL

I will be conducting a two and a half hour session to share this information. I have written a short overview of basic music theory. It will be distributed to all participants. You must read this to benefit from participation, otherwise we will waste time on basic revision. We will focus on the most common chords. Not all chords will be covered. The more complex ones are often simply moving one finger.

In this course, the first hour is basic music theory. If you know the structure it makes your journey easier. This will include review, clarification and questions on the information paper provided.

Second hour is fretboard basics. Why the dots on the fretboard? Basic fingerings for chord shapes, as well as Chord progression structures and Barre chords for beginners. Not learning to play bar chords severely limits your playing palette.

Then finally, a half hour is allocated for questions or clarification.

This session is designed for beginners and less experienced guitarists. I plan to provide a sound understanding of basic music theory along with a basic understanding of the fretboard, chords and chord fingering.

EXAMPLES OF BENEFITS

Did you know that you can play twelve bar blues on the same fret?

TIMETABLE

This session is scheduled to occur at the **Clubhouse** at the following time and date:

- **Monday 29 May 2023 from 7:30 pm to 10:00 pm**
- **Entry is Free (a light Supper will be provided)**
- **Registrations are via the online Club website**
Event Booking System - (Maximum of 20 attendees)

Looking forward to your participation.