

Bush Music Club – E-Newsletter for January 2025



Beecroft Family Bush Dance in the Afternoon

When: On Saturday, 1st February 2025
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm
Where: Beecroft Community Centre
Beecroft Road (Opposite Fire Station), Beecroft
Cost: \$20 non-member / \$15 concession / \$15 BMC Members / \$40 Family
Contact: BMC Phone: 0466 877 423

The band will be Ryebuck Bush Band with Margaret Bolliger calling the dances.

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Monday Night Music Workshop & Session - Weekly

When: From Monday 20th January 2025
Slow Session - 5.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Concert Party Session - 7.15 pm to 9.00 pm
Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre,
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville (the hall is now air conditioned)
Cost: \$10
Contact: John Burch - 0411 195 088

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Marrickville Music Group - Monthly

When: 1st Wednesday of the month – 6th February 2025
11am – 2pm
Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville
Cost: \$10
Contact: Sharyn - 0459 146 845
What to Bring:
Music to share and your lunch for a lovely day of music and friendship

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Just Tunes – **New !!!**

When: Last Saturday of the month (Feb-Nov)
2pm - 5pm
Where: Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre,
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville
Cost: \$10

'Just Tunes' is a new music session held on the last Saturday of the month from 2pm-5pm in the Hut at Marrickville. These sessions are great for anyone wanting some extra practice. Bring your instrument and BMC music books, which can be purchased on the day, if needed. There will be a break for afternoon tea so bring a plate to share and don't forget \$10 for the Hall. We look forward to welcoming you and playing music together. Vanessa and friends.

Pennant Hills Dance Workshop

When 7:30pm – 9:30pm - Most Mondays
Where Pennant Hills Community Centre
Lower Hall, downstairs from the library
Cost \$10
Contact: Wilma - 0413 673 339

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Playford Dancing at BMC Hut – Monthly

When 1st Tuesday of the month – 4th February 2025
Where Tritton Hall - Hut 44, Addison Rd Community Centre
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville
Cost \$10
Contact Louise 0409 394 126
All dances are called and walked through, and live musicians make this a very enjoyable evening.

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English Country Dancing at Pennant Hills Community Centre

When: Sunday (Third Sunday of the month, February to November)
2.15pm to 5.15 pm

Where: Main Hall, Pennant Hills Community Centre,
70 Yarrara Rd, Pennant Hills.

Contact: Keith Wood

Phone: 0420 913 934

Email: wood.keith@optusnet.com.au

Website: <http://www.keith-wood.name/danceworkshops.html>

Dance workshops in the following styles: Contra, English Country, and some Scottish and Australian. No partner necessary. All dances walked through and called.

A \$10 donation is suggested to cover costs. Please bring your own drinks and snacks. There will be hand sanitiser available for your use throughout the afternoon. Wear a mask if you feel more comfortable doing so.

Join us afterwards at the Hotel Pennant Hills for dinner.

Also, you can see details about past and future workshops: search "keith wood dance".

Keith, Dance Kaleidoscope

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Zoom Singing Session – 2nd Wednesday of the Month

You are invited to the BMC Monthly Singing Session via Zoom

...Feeling cut off? Then make yourself a cuppa, sit back and join in the singing online...

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77436849599?pwd=O2TI2dVvY2cYd3B59wfkLWLbjVFTzR.1>

Meeting ID: 774 3684 9599

Passcode: K24Dd4

Saplings News



Saplings will be at the Illawarra Folk Festival this coming weekend:
<https://www.illawarrafolkfestival.com.au/>

Saturday 18th January at 2.00 – 3.00pm
Sunday 19th January at 1.00 – 2.00pm
Both sessions will be held in the Session Tent

All young musicians are welcome to join in the fun!

Wongawilli Colonial Dance Club

Concert and Bush Dance
Sunday 26th January
Heininger Hall, Heininger Street, Dapto
1.30pm – 4.00pm

Regular Bush Dances will be starting again in February:
Heininger Hall, Heininger Street, Dapto
1st Sunday of the month with Chord-eaux
3rd Sunday of the month with Southern Cross and Friends

Only \$5 which includes an Afternoon Tea
2.00pm – 4.00pm

Contact: Cris 0404 667 614

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Library and Archives

Sometime, in the near future, the BMC Library will be available – as soon as other items are cleared out of our cupboards! We have several shelves of duplicate books available (*) for a donation, and some of our retail items will be for sale at Illawarra Folk Festival this weekend.

Recent new books include Warren Fahey's Biography - Hair Past A freckle. (I remember that saying) and 2 books on early members Dorothy Hewett and Merv Lillie - <https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/2024/09/two-books-to-remember-dorothy-hewetts.html> – and a few books by the Shiny Bum Singers who sing parodies of Public Service life.

The Blog <https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/> has now passed 1000 articles, recent articles include interesting extracts from Mulga Wire, and Minutes from the 1960s.

Check out the Guide to the Blog <https://blog.bushmusic.org.au/p/guide-to-blog.html>, as without it you could wander about and miss a lot of interesting stuff!

Sandra Nixon

Archivist, Blogger & Librarian

***Duplicate Books - 7th September 2024**

VFMC - Joy Durst song book - 1970
2 copies

Ray MULLIGAN - Settlers Music with CD
NFF 2006

MEREDITH & SCOTT - Ned Kelly after a century
of acrimony, 1980

Ron EDWARDS - Big book of Oz folksongs,
1975 (too big to post)

FEARN-WANNAN - Australian Folklore -
Dictionary of lore, legends & popular
allusions (too big to post) - *2 copies*

WATTLE RECORDS - song sheets from 50s &
60s recordings - *lots*

BMC - reprint of Singabout 1(1) 1956

FOLK FED - Chris Kempster 1933-2004 - A
selection of tributes, anecdotes & obits
- *2 copies*

BMC - Songs of the shearers - eds. Dale
Dengate & Jamie Carlin, 1970 - *2 copies*

ALL TIME FAVOURITE OZ SONG BOOK, illus.
by Patrick Cook 1984

Harry ROBERTSON - Whaling songs -1972

Don HENDERSON - I can sing - 1970

John MEREDITH - Legend of the Wild
Colonial Boy - undated play - *3 copies*

BMC - Oz Railway Songs - 36 songs, 2010

Bob BOLTON -Talking to John Kell, 1990.
typescript of oral history interview

Keith McKENRY - More than a life: John
Meredith and the fight for Australian tradition

Therese RADIC - Songs of Australian Working
Life,1989

Stan WAKEFIELD - Songs (1966) A4 r/p by
Ralph

BMC - Singabout songster - songs from
Singabout, *multiple copies*

John MANIFOLD - Who wrote the
ballads?Notes on Oz folksongs, 1964 -
a classic - *2 copies*

BMC - Singabout Selected Reprints, by Bob
Bolton - *4 copies*

MULGA WIRE - colour photos from 60th
Anniversary

BOOMERANG Oz folk songs, words to early
Alex Hood record - tiny booklet - *3 copies*

BMC - 6 new dances 1979 - 2 copies

PENGUIN OZ SONGBOOK ed. by John
Manifold 1964

John MEREDITH & Rex WHALAN - Frank the
poet, 1979 - *2 copies*

REEDY RIVER Song book (songs from the
1979 production)

Don HENDERSON - A quiet century - 1994

BMC - The first ten years - presented at NFF
2012

Helen & Tony ROMEO - Hidden Treasures -
workshop on Jim Graham, Bush Traditions

STEWART & KEESING - Old Bush Songs
1976 - *2 copies*

BJ REAGON - We who believe in freedom -
Sweet honey in the rock - 1993

Mike MARTIN - Collected tunes from Joe Yates
- 1991

Bill WANNAN - The Australian. Yarns, Ballads,
Legends, Traditions of the Australian People -
1959

Bill WANNAN - My kind of county - yarns
ballads, legends, traditions - 1967

STEWART & KEESING - Australian Bush
Ballads 1984 & 1971 - 2 copies

Banjo PATTERSON - Collected Verse
A&R, 1953 + 1956 - 2 copies

Manning CLARKE - In search of Henry
Lawson - 1978

John MEREDITH - King of the Dance Hall, the
story of fifty years of ballroom music with Frank
Bourke and the White Rose Orchestra, 1986

Geoffrey DUTTON - Australian verse from
1805 A continuum - 1976

Ron EDWARDS - Brisbane Ladies - 1982

BUSHWACKERS BAND Dance book 1980

Phyl LOBL - Songs of a Bronzewing - 1991
4 copies

Elaine LEWIS & Dorothy McCORMACK -
Let's Celebrate, Australian songs to sing & play,
illus by Jeanette Rowe (for kids)
2 copies

BMC - Mulga Wire Reprints from issues #4, #5,
#6, #7, #21 & #23- Mouth organ primer-2 copies

Chris Kempster Songbook - NFF Concert for
Chris Kempster 2004 - 2 copies

BMC - Christmas carols fair & feral - leaflet,
undated

BMC - Backblocks tunes book - undated
- 2 copies

Graham SEAL & Gwenda Beed DAVEY -
Oxford companion to Oz folklore, 1993

Gwenda Beed DAVEY & Graham SEAL -
guide to Oz folklore, 2003

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Songs, Stories, Poems in the Hut - *This session is on hold for now.*
Thanks to everyone who supported it.

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Meetup <http://www.meetup.com/Sydney-Bush-Music-Club-Meetup/>



CHANGE OF POSTAL ADDRESS for BUSH MUSIC CLUB

New Address: Hut 44, 142 Addison Road, Marrickville. NSW 2204

The club has decided that, due to the reduced amount of snail mail, we would bring the post closer to home. Our GPO Box 433, Sydney 2001 has been discontinued.