



MAY 2023

The aim of the club is to encourage vocalists and musicians of all ages and abilities to perform at club functions and/or on stage. Promoting country music throughout Townsville and surrounding areas will ensure that this form of music will continue to flourish while also seeing local talent recognised.

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Since we can now call the Jubilee Home.... The "Band" has practice nights every Tuesday night starting at 6.30pm held at the Jubilee Hall. The format will be each person gets to practice one new/old song. If time permits, you will be able to do more. If you need chord charts typed up, the club will do this for you also at a cost of \$10 per song if the club prints them on your behalf. If you print the charts yourself there will be no fee. Your \$10 gives you 4 copies of the song. Tea and coffee will also be available for \$2 per cup. Please bring cash only for all purchases.

Upcoming events

Rotary Art Union Tickets: We will be receiving 40 books of tickets in March to help with our fundraising efforts. Each book will have 5 tickets and the cost of each ticket is \$5. Our club will make 80% of all tickets sold. If you receive a book of tickets and can't or don't wish to sell them they must be returned or a statutory declaration must be given. We have to account for all books of tickets and we will only get proceeds of what is actually sold. We have approx. 120 members on our books, so this shouldn't be too hard an ask.

If we sell all 40 books = $40 \times \$25 = \$1000 \times 80\% = \mathbf{\$800}$ to our club.

RSL Thuringowa: Will commence as it ran last year starting the last Saturday in May (27th)

President's Report

April 2023



Well, Hi there once again folks. I must say I have certainly missed coming together with our country music family. This month was very quiet so you would think that my report will be short – we'll see how I go with that...

Our monthly country social afternoon was cancelled due to Easter being that weekend. Glenda and I managed a short getaway to relax for a few days. I hope the Easter bunny found all of you because he certainly found us.

Tuesday practice nights have been missing from our event calendar during April. We did manage to fit one practice session at the start and as usual everyone who comes along reaps plenty of enjoyment from it. Given the Easter break we had to fit in a Committee Meeting, Glenda and I had personal commitments and Anzac Day were the reasons behind the cancellations for the rest of the month. We thank you for your patience in this matter and look forward to seeing you all next week for our first practice for May (2nd).



There is so much still being achieved behind the scenes for our Association.



As you are aware, we have a lot of sound system equipment that we use to ensure our members get the best opportunity for a successful performance. The maintenance of keeping it in top condition requires money - hence the reason we keep topping up our bank by fundraising efforts and sausage sizzles. During April we have organised quotes from 5 music stores to replace all sound leads and guitar leads. 35 leads in total gives us a complete new set including spares. This has cost the club just over \$2000.

It was also brought to our attention by Darryl at our last General Meeting that the sign on his fence is now out of date given our venue change. We have arranged quotes for new signs to replace the existing ones and add a few extras to promote our Club. There are a few strategic areas around town we have in mind, but any suggestions will be appreciated.



A big thank you to our members who travelled to Charters Towers for the annual Country Music Talent Quest. Credit and congratulations must be given to those made it to the finals.



Just a reminder that raffle tickets need to be returned at the next social 14th May. There are still 8 books that need to be sold so if anyone can assist, please see Glenda at the social. Tickets and money can be given to Val at the door. Please make sure they are in an envelope with your name so Glenda can keep track of the returning books.

For something different the Club is going to run an open genre night on the 16th June. You can dust the cobwebs off your non country songs and perform them with the Band or The Beat. Singing will start at 7.00pm but please come down earlier to join in the Jubilee members raffle and feast on dinner provided by them. Members draw and tea starts at 5.30 pm. This will be advertised on radio and in newspapers so bring along all your friends to have a go. Entry will be \$5 and there will be a raffle and tea and coffee. Drinks will be provided by Jubilee as usual.



The month of May will see us come back to our usual routine – Sausage Sizzle Bunnings Northshore, Practice nights, Social Afternoon, RSL afternoon, Bellevue afternoon.



**BUNNINGS BUNNY HOP EVENING
THURSDAY 30TH MARCH, 2023**



Our merchandise table





If anyone has celebrations, upcoming gigs, events that you think others may be interested in, items for sale, news of any kind or anything else you wish to add to the newsletter, please forward them to Fiona at ttcmanews@gmail.com by 25th of the month.

Sunday Fun-days are now known as Country Music Afternoon and will start at 12pm with cut-off for sign-on being 1pm.

MAY EVENTS

Country Music Afternoon – Sunday 14th May
General Meeting – Wednesday 17th May
Thuringowa RSL Market Day – Saturday 27th May
Bellevue Hotel – Sunday 28th May

JUNE EVENTS

Country Music Afternoon – Sunday 11th June
Open Genre Night – Friday 16th June
General Meeting – Wednesday 21st June
Thuringowa RSL Market Day – Saturday 24th June



SAUSAGE SIZZLE

**BUNNINGS NORTH SHORE
SATURDAY 6TH MAY**

PRACTICE NIGHTS @ JUBILEE BOWLS CLUB

We are holding practice nights each Tuesday evening from 6.30pm. Refer to more information on page 2 of this newsletter

OPEN GENRE NIGHT @ JUBILEE BOWLS CLUB

We are starting an Open Genre night on Friday 16th June from 7pm. Please refer to more information on page 3 of this newsletter

SUNDAYS AT THE

Bellevue HOTEL

28TH MAY
30TH JULY
24TH SEPTEMBER
26TH NOVEMBER

3PM – 6.30PM

STAY AFTERWARDS IF YOU CAN,
TO JOIN OTHERS FOR DINNER IN THE RESTAURANT

THURINGOWA RSL COUNTRY MARKET DAYS

May 27th
June 24th
July 29th
August 26th
September 30th

Our performance time is between **3pm and 6pm**.
Stay for dinner afterwards if you wish.
Just let us know so we can reserve enough seats.



Country Market Day

THURINGOWA RSL CLUB
LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH



11AM-4PM | COMMUNITY MARKETS

Country Music Afternoon – 2nd Sunday of month

Starts at 12pm – Jubilee Bowls Club - 13 Burdekin Street, Mundingburra (behind Mundingburra School)

Bring along your chord charts and instrument (if performing)

Sausage sizzle and refreshments are available for purchase.

Lucky door prize and raffle

Admission is \$5.00

General Meetings – 3rd Wednesday of month

Starts at 7.30pm

Meetings are held at rear of Aitkenvale Library – entrance near Child Care Centre.

Due to Covid requirements, there is a limit of 20 people so we ask that children not attend due to them taking the place of a voting member.

Please RSVP to Glenda Albert on 0415 811 544 to secure your spot.

Date	Time
Wednesday 17 th May	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 21 st June	7.30pm – 9pm



2 nd	Cheryl K	16 th	Helen C
7 th	Noel G	18 th	Ruby-Rae H
7 th	Phil K	20 th	Doug O’K
11 th	Jenny G-S	23 rd	Ray I
12 th	Eddie A	24 th	Margaret B
14 th	Peter A	29 th	Elvio F

PRACTICE NIGHT SHENANIGANS!



A lot of fun is
always had



The camaraderie is wonderful!





Fiona is concentrating on creating the newsletter



**CHARTERS TOWERS COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL
28TH APRIL – 30TH APRIL**

There was quite a contingent of people from Townsville who travelled to Charters Towers for this wonderful weekend either to compete and/or to support those who are. Everyone who competed should be very proud of their performances and some of our members were successful in placing in their section/s.

Doug O’Keeffe – 3rd Adult Male Country Vocal
3rd Adult Australian Bush Ballad
3rd Adult Country Rock

Lloyd Hughes – 1st Adult Male Country Vocal
1st Adult Country Rock
2nd Golden Oldies
2nd Adult Australian Bush Ballad

Denis King – 3rd Golden Oldies

Fiona Bowles – 1st Golden Oldies
3rd Adult Female Country Vocal



Fiona, Lloyd and Dennis with Fiona List

Doug, Fiona and Lloyd



Doug O'Keeffe



Denis King



Karen Chapman



Robert Waldon



Fiona Bowles



Lynda Knuth



Lloyd Hughes

The Townsville and Thuringowa Country Music Association Inc acknowledges the valuable support that we continue to receive from the following businesses and organisations. Without your support, the Club would not be able to provide the regular activities we hold for our members.

Thankyou for your on-going generosity.



The Townsville and Thuringowa Country Music Association Incorporated would like to thank the Management and Staff of Bunnings Warehouses for allowing our association to hold sausage sizzles on a regular basis.



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- Monday 8pm – Midnight
- Wednesday 2pm – 4pm
- Saturday 10am – 2pm
- Sunday 9am – 12pm

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