



## MARCH 2025

**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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## President's Report February 2025



Greetings Members...



What a disjointed start to our 2025 Country Music year. Rain, floods, planet parades in January and February where 5 planets could be seen with the naked eye, cancellations of our club social afternoon due to the wet weather, and practice night started and stopped just as quickly when Jubilee hosted an event for the new University students' orientation week.



Two months of the year done and dusted already and now we can get down to some serious music business.

Our Open Genre afternoon was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February. This being our first function for the new year didn't get as many people through the door as I expected but attendance was still good at 58. We had 23 performers whose renditions included "Darlin' – Frankie Miller", "Green Door – Shakin' Stevens" and "Pretty Woman – Roy Orbison" just to name a couple of non-country songs performed by our members. The meat tray was won by Rob Waldon (let us know when the Barbie is on!!) and my fellow committee members memory doesn't recall who the winner was of the lucky door voucher.



We welcomed a new member to the club, Scott Jorgensen. He spent the afternoon giving the band a hand on lead guitar. This let me have some time off the stage to mingle with the audience. Scott is a member of the local band "45 RPM" doing gigs around the venues of Townsville. Welcome to the club Scott!

Due to the recent rains and flooding or maybe just purely coincidental, the Aitkenvale library was being renovated and the General meeting for February was relocated to our home. We are fairly confident this was just for the month of February but keep your eyes out for emails or messages around the third Wednesday of the month in case we have to change venues again. The meetings are your time to suggest changes or submit ideas on how you want your club to be run.



Our next social afternoon, is 9<sup>th</sup> March. We are looking forward to getting back to business as usual.



Our people's choice award will be kicking off again this year. Remember it is about having fun and encouraging our performers. Given we are late starting the socials this year, the first vote will only be from the March Social with the winner being announced in April. Subsequently, winners for the heats will be announced in June, August and October. All heat winners will be able to sing one (1) extra song at that social. The sing off will change format from last year after receiving some valuable feedback. This year the sing off will be one song per winner in one section of the board. The winners will then be able to sing their normal social songs, where they place their names on the board. The overall winner will be announced at the Christmas Party and receive \$100 in cash. Remember also, that once a member wins a heat, they are no longer eligible to be voted in the subsequent months left of the competition.



I have done up a calendar of events for the year - so you can see in advance what is planned for our club. (Please see further in the magazine). This doesn't include our general meeting dates which Fiona keeps us updated about in a separate area.

You will see in August, we are trying something a little different. The Townsville Theatre group has asked us to pair with them as a fund raiser. The movie we have chosen in the "Country Genre" is Coal Miner's Daughter. There will be a cost to attend this showing, raffle tickets will be sold and some of the proceeds come back to us. I am hoping that our club members will show good support as it also benefits our club. More details on this night will be in future editions of the magazine as we get closer to the event night.

In the past bunnings have asked us to perform at their family nights for their special events around Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day and Christmas. These nights are given to us on short notice so they will not appear in the calendar at this time, but they usually are the Thursday night preceding the event.

I apologise for the magazine being issued late, the editor was waiting on this report for a few days.



**I have put Eddie's calendar on the last page, to make it easier for those of you who wish to hang it up.**



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](mailto:ttcmanews@gmail.com) by 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**MARCH DATES**

Sunday Country Music Afternoon – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March  
 General Meeting – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

**APRIL DATES**

Sunday Country Music Afternoon – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April  
 General Meeting – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**Country Music Afternoon – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month at 7.30pm**

Meetings are held at the rear of Aitkenvale Library – entrance near Child Care Centre.  
 Please come along, as it is really important to have YOUR say in club matters.

Date	Time
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	7.30pm – 9pm
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November - AGM</b>	7.30pm – 9pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	7.30pm – 9pm

Our very own Marion Bligh performs at Simply Tops every month!  
Pop down and enjoy listening to her wonderful voice

**MARION SINGS!**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**5:30PM – 7:30PM**  
**ON THE VERANDAH OF 'SIMPLY TOPS'**  
**PALMER STREET, SOUTH TOWNSVILLE**



**1<sup>st</sup> Paula Day**

**9<sup>th</sup> Dylan Pope**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Glen Sowman**

**14<sup>th</sup> Rose Darcy**

**5<sup>th</sup> Kaleb Shaw**

**24<sup>th</sup> Genene Bates**

**5<sup>th</sup> Raymond Milburn**



Ian Martin is a local bass guitarist who has created **easyjam'n**, a great tool for guitarists to use while learning or for those times when you need a prompt.

It is a sticker which can be attached to the upper edge of the fret bar. If these stickers are successful, he intends to produce them for Ukeleles and Banjos as well.

Ian wishes to assist others in their musical journey and is charging \$20.00 per sticker.

If you are interested in supporting a fellow local musician while also building your own skills, Ian can be contacted on 0419 305 881.



OPEN GENRE AFTERNOON  
SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY









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.

### **JUBILEE BOWLS CLUB**

Every Friday evening, Jubilee Bowls Club has food and raffles with their Happy Hour running from 5pm-7pm.

Come along and support this wonderful club!  
Consider making Jubilee your home club by becoming a member for only \$10 per year!



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

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7 times per day

Lost & Found Notices

4 times per day





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## MEMBERSHIP FORM

**Office Use Only:**

Member No:.....

Date Membership Ratified at GM:.....

### MEMBER DETAILS:

MR MRS MS MISS

SURNAME: ..... CHRISTIAN NAMES: .....

DATE OF BIRTH: ..... OCCUPATION: .....

PHONE: ..... MOBILE: .....

EMAIL: .....

ADDRESS: .....

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### EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS:

NAME: ..... RELATIONSHIP: .....

Mbl Ph: ..... Alternate Phone No: .....

### CHILDRENS U16

NAMES

DATE OF BIRTH

[1] ..... .....

[2] ..... .....

[3] ..... .....

Health Conditions: .....

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### Indicate in box Y (yes) / N (no)

Do you give consent to your photo being taken/used for promotional purposes e.g. club newsletter, social media i.e. Facebook, Webpages etc.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: .....

Name and signature of :-

PROPOSED BY: ..... SECONDED BY: .....

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP: Single Couple Family Life Member

## EVENTS FOR 2025

Date	Event
March: 9 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
April: 13 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
April: 13 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Raffle – 3 prizes, \$30, \$20 and \$10 values. \$1 per ticket.
May: 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SOCIAL HAS BEEN MOVED.... TO 25<sup>TH</sup></b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
June: 8 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
29 <sup>th</sup>	Bellevue Afternoon 3 – 6 pm, Dinner at your own cost afterwards from 6pm
July: 13 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
27 <sup>th</sup>	Bellevue Afternoon 3 – 6 pm, Dinner at your own cost afterwards from 6pm
August: 1-3	Toomby's Weekend
10 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
21 <sup>st</sup> (Thurs)	Coal Miner's Daughter – Movie afternoon at Birch Carroll and Coyle cinemas.
31 <sup>st</sup>	Open Genre Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls Club
September: 14 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
28 <sup>th</sup>	Bellevue Afternoon 3 – 6 pm, Dinner at your own cost afterwards from 6pm
October: 12 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
November: 9 <sup>th</sup>	Country Social Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls
30 <sup>th</sup>	Open Genre Afternoon, Jubilee Bowls Club
December: 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party, Jubilee Bowls Club

**KEEP THIS PAGE AND PUT ON YOUR FRIDGE OR WHEREVER YOU KEEP YOUR REMINDERS  
OR ADD THESE DATES STRAIGHT INTO YOUR DIARY!**