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ASSOCIATION OF
VICTORIA INC.**

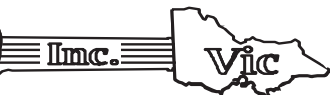


**Welcome to our
267th CLUB SHOW
Sunday 14th May 2017**

Our guest artist tonight is:-

The Hoffmans

At Victoria Bowling Club - 231 Victoria Street Ballarat Victoria 3350
from Ballarat turn left into Stawell Street then left into the carpark.



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Country Music Association of Victoria Inc.



C.M.A.V. COMMITTEE

****Executive Committee***

***President: 0438 358 237 Joan Elsey**

***Vice President: Lynette Elliott**

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Email: ballarat_cmav@hotmail.com

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Sound Assistant:

Membership Co-ordinator:

***Publicity Officer: Jilly Bruce**

General Committee:

Elaine Gadd - Jan Charters - Ray Charters

Bruce McKenzie - Cheryl Robinson

MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee members.

**Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th May 2017,
at the Victoria Bowling Club at 7pm.**

IMPORTANT NOTICES FROM THE C.M.A.V. COMMITTEE

“ **FOOD and DRINKS** ”

In every Newsletter we *remind our patrons* that we are on a LICENCED premises which means that *by law* we are

☆ **NOT PERMITTED to bring in FOOD or DRINKS** ☆

Alcoholic beverages, Soft drinks, Potato chips & Nuts can be purchased from the bar.

Sandwiches, Cake, and bottomless cups of Coffee or Tea can be purchased from the Kitchen.

The Kitchen will open at 4:00pm and will close at 8:00pm.
Coffee and Tea (bottomless cups) will be available until 8.00pm

Sandwiches \$3.00 - Cake per piece \$0.50

Tea / Coffee: \$2.00 (Bottomless cup)

PLEASE RETAIN YOUR CUP FOR REFILL.

THE URN WILL BE TURNED OFF AT 8.00PM

CUPS & SAUCERS WILL BE COLLECTED

by CMAV MEMBERS.

Glasses, bottles & cans will be collected progressively by BAR STAFF

**Please contact Joan Elsey or Jilly Bruce to either
book or cancel seats**



Joan on 0438 358 237 or

Jilly on 0415 201 884 or 5342 0361

If phones are unattended, please leave a message.

Special note - in future:-

Bookings will NOT be kept after 4.30pm



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MONTHLY MEMBER'S PRIZE DONATED BY:

Formosa Gardens Nursery - Cafe & Gift Shop.

104 Leith Street - Ballarat Ph 5335 6454

WELCOME TO OUR 267TH CLUB NIGHT

BIOGRAPHY FOR GUEST ARTIST MAY 14th 2017

The Hoffmans

David and Heather have been performing country music since the early years of their lives. They met in 1982 when Heather joined David's band, and they were married shortly afterwards.

Heather is a well-seasoned performer who began singing when she was just 7 years of age, winning local talent quests at schools and clubs. Later she earned a Scholarship to study classically at the Melba Conservatorium of Music in the City of Melbourne. She finished with Honours at AMEB level.

David performed mainly as a backing band member starting at the tender age of 13 years. He toured for 2 years with Normie Rowe as well as other celebrities including The Hawking Bros.

He and Heather know of nothing better than working with each other, and that is definitely pretty obvious. Their voices are amazing and their harmonies are incredible and so captivating. They can take you to any genre, from rock and roll, country, and across the board to musicals and stunning classics, as well as their own style of comedy. They relate extremely well to their audiences, are very Australian, very down to Earth and widely popular. In more recent times they have particularly enjoyed their involvement with Vietnam Veterans.

In 2014 they were inducted into the South Australian Country Music Hall of Fame. They have performed internationally and have now been asked to return to Scotland to sing at the very well known Edinburgh Fringe Festival. How good is that!

They have produced several CD's and a couple of Videos. Their latest CD is called "Long Black Train". It is very good, a lovely collaboration of sound and song & for sale tonight.

Let us give them a warm CMAV welcome.



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BSB: 633000 Account No: 135510907
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IAN "BIDGE" BOYD

ANDREA WEEL

ROBYN GLEESON

LEON ROWBOTTOM

THE TC BAND

VENUE:

WARRNAMBOOL BOWLS CLUB

Timor Street, Warrnambool

TIME:

Saturday 3rd June

7pm - 10:30pm

Admission - \$16

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Bookings Essential

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PATTI MORGAN

Thursday 15th June
Auditorium 7.30pm
Dance Night with
Craig Giles & Donnie Soper
Club Lounge 7.30pm
Guest Artists

Friday 16th June
Main Stage 10.30am - 6.00pm
Guest Artists
Night Show 7.30pm - \$15 pp
Love That Country Music
Club Lounge 10.30am - 11.00pm
Guest Artists

Saturday 17th June
Auditorium 10.30am - Late
Guest Artists
Club Lounge 10.30am - Late
Guest Artists

Sunday 18th June
Auditorium 10.30am - 11.30am
Gospel Show
11.30am - 8.00pm
Guest Artists
Finale Starts 8.00pm
Club Lounge 11.30am - 7.00pm
Guest Artists

For the information of members and their guests. All artists are subject to change.
Enquiries to Corowa RSL, 30 Betterment Parade (02) 6030 5000 • www.corowarsl.com.au or Joyce Yates 0408 218 411



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CMAV BI-ENNIAL MEETING

Sunday 9th July, 2017.

This particular meeting is held every 2nd year and is due again on Sunday.9th July, at 2.30pm at the Victoria Bowling Club.

All members and patrons are very welcome to attend, as you are welcome at any Annual General Meeting. On this occasion, all current Committee members are automatically expected to stand down and their positions are rendered vacant. Nominations are required to fill these vacancies so that a new Committee is formed.

Think about it. Maybe you would like to be a part of the CMAV Committee, or you would like to nominate someone else for a certain position. New faces, new thoughts and new ideas are totally welcome.

Pick up a nomination form tonight and fill it in, making sure that all areas are correctly signed. Hand the form in at the desk or post it to your current secretary, or return it on the June Club evening. Financial members only allowed to nominate and many thanks for your co-operation.

FAREWELL KEVIN DURDIN

More sad news has hit the world of country music with the passing very recently of Kevin Durdin in Warrnambool. He was 85 years old, so how does one roll all those years into just a few words - it is not really possible. He was an icon and to have been lucky enough to simply know him was a real privilege. He married his wife Joyce in 1951. They sang together and won a BTV6 Talent Quest and this helped their musical career take off.

They were known as The Durdins and over the years they have performed in so many different places including New Zealand and the USA. All of this

culminated in their induction into the Australian Country Music Hall of Fame in 2003. In the 70s they travelled the lands of the Northern Territory and W A singing at Aboriginal Mission Stations. Such memories. Kevin was a good man, a mentor to many , caring and giving.



Our warmest wishes to Joyce and to all the family.

PETE SMITH'S COUNTRY & WESTERN VARIETY SHOW



WHEN - **Friday, 23rd of June**

WHERE - **Victoria Bowling Club**

231 Victoria Street (enter via Stawell Street), Ballarat.

Bring your own nibbles. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

Entry fee - **\$20.00 per person**

For bookings and any queries, contact FRANK 0428 391 917.

OTHER NEWS

Loretta Lynn is in Hospital having suffered a 'stroke' at her home. Fortunately she is expected to make a full recovery. Loretta is 85 years of age, and is planning to release her latest album "Wouldn't it be Great" in August. Amazing.

Lyn Bowtell, very popular country music artist from the Hunter Valley in NSW, gave an audition on The Voice on Sunday night. All four judges turned around and the audience gave Lyn a standing ovation for a very moving rendition of "Fields of Gold."

The death of **Hank Williams** is almost as legendary as the icon's life. I believe "The Last Ride" is a movie worth seeing if you are a fan of Hank. Have any of our members heard of, or seen it? Jett Williams was born just five days after the pioneers death. It took her many years to prove her identity. In the USA she is well known as a singer-song writer. She is coming to Australia later this year and her busy tour will see her in Geelong in October. More details in the June Newsletter.

MORNING MELODIES

We are so very lucky right here at the Victoria Bowling Club on the first Friday of each month, (unless otherwise advised) to be privy to great entertainment by some really good artists.

Coming up we have:

Friday 2nd June - Justin Standley

TIME: 10.30am until 12md

VENUE: Victoria Bowling Club.

COST: \$15.00 for the show & a lovely light lunch.

These shows fill up very quickly so bookings are essential. If you do book and later find that you are unable to attend then a short message and/or brief phone call would be most appreciated. For all bookings and further information, please call Barry and Glenys Ward on 0417 142 411.

JUSTIN STANDLEY



Justin Standley is a very talented and well-known independent Australian country music singer and songwriter. He shot to fame after appearing as a finalist on X-Factor in 2012 in an effort to find his children with whom he had not had any contact for about 12-14 years.

Justin's amazing ability to write and sing has endeared him to audiences all over Australia and overseas. He is humble in his approach to people and life in general. One very nice guy who is back with "Morning Melodies" by popular demand.

*****VOLUNTEERS NEEDED*****

As Secretary of your CMAV, I receive a number of criticisms, complaints and compliments, of a varying degree and nature and that is just fine because it goes with the territory. So it gives me so much pleasure to report to you that the compliments far outweigh the complaints, the latter being respectfully taken on board and managed as well as possible. Criticisms on the other hand are usually constructive and this is always accepted and duly considered. However a good Club like ours does not run by itself.

We have been very fortunate to have a pretty good number of dedicated, loyal and regular VOLUNTEERS. Their work is invaluable -they make the difference. But changes can and do occur and now we need more people to fill positions as regular volunteers in the following areas:

- A)** To help set up and pack up tables and chairs.
- B)** To help in the kitchen. Numbers are a little depleted at present for various reasons, e g illness, post-surgery issues, injuries and at least two volunteers away travelling, so the need in this area is a serious one. Our present workers are great and we are thankful for all that they do, but help is essential.
- C)** In the light of last month's 'breaking news', volunteers are also seriously needed to set up and pack up all of the band equipment. Diagrams and written instructions will be available, courtesy of our resigning drummer and Bandleader. So it would be very much appreciated if those capable of lending a hand would think about helping out just once a month in any of the areas mentioned, so that all of the current good work can continue.

Those who are interested and/or may be able to help in any way at all, or would just like to know more, please contact Ray Charters, (tables & chairs), Jan Charters (kitchen) and Andrew Jeffrey (sound system and band equipment, for now).

Many thanks, in anticipation

OTHER CLUBS

Cobden Music and Dance

1st Saturday 8.30pm til late - Held at Cobden Civic Hall
Contact Chris De Bie Ph 0427 712 168

Upwey Country Music Club

1st Sunday 1 - 5pm The Guides Hall - Underwood Road
Contact Graeme Chasemore Ph 5964 8298

Pleasant Sunday Country at The Sphinx

1st Sunday 1.00 - 5.00pm - Thompsons Rd, North Geelong
Contact Eric Cook 0429 143 237

Kyabram Country Music Club.

1st Sunday. 12 noon Held at Kyabram Bocce Club
Contact Aileen Veenstra Ph: 5853 2933

Maryborough Country Music Night

1st Sunday 6pm – 10pm, Held at the Highland Society Club
Contact Patty 5461 2316 or Marie 5465 3236

Colac Comeback Country -

1st Sunday. 1.00 – 5.00pm Held at City Bowling Club, Gravesend St
Contact Leonie Bowen Ph: 5231 1700

Morwell - Our Kinda Country Club Inc.

Every 1st & 3rd Friday 7 - 11.30pm at The Hall - 100 Crinigan Road - Morwell Victoria
Contact Dawn 03 5174 9227 or 0412 161 419

Ballarat - Country Music Association of Victoria. Inc.

2nd Sunday 4.00 - 9.00 pm, Held at the Victoria Bowling Club
231 Victoria St Ballarat- Contact Jilly Bruce 5342 0361

Shepparton - Solar City Country Music Club

2nd Sunday. 12.30pm Held at Bear's Football & Netball Club, Deakin Reserve
Contact Trish Ph 0408 758 264

Peninsula Country Music Club

2nd Sunday 1pm - 4.30pm Held at Rye Civic Hall
Contact Ross Duncan PH 0408854056

St Arnaud Country Music Inc

2nd Sunday 6pm - 10pm St Arnaud Sporting Club
Contact Jenny 5495 1871

Bendigo Avalanche Country Music

2nd Sunday 6.30 - 10.30pm Golden Hills Motel, Marong Rd, Bendigo
Contact Ernie Johns 5494 3246

Bairnsdale Country Music Club

2nd Sunday 1.00pm – 5.00pm Held at Bairnsdale RSL Princess Highway
Contact Bill Chaffey 5153 1001 or 0400 674 761

Verandah Music

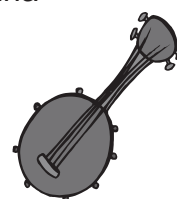
3rd Saturday 12.00 - 5pm Community Hall - Hodgkinson & Verdon Sts - Dromana
Contact John 0466988998 or Bill 5982 0885

Echuca Country Music Club Inc.

3rd Sunday - 12.00pm - 5.00pm at Echuca Workers & Services Club
Contact Lesley Hjorth on 0477 372 229

Kyneton Bowls Club

3rd Sunday 12pm - 5pm Mollison Street Kyneton Contact 5422 1902
For bookings contact Ph 5422 1902.



OTHER CLUBS cont'

Colac Kickback Country

3rd Sat 7.00pm till late - 290 Robinsons Rd, Barongarook

Contact John & Majella Brown 03 5235 8441



Benalla – Country Music Club

3rd Sunday. 12 noon Held at the All Blacks Club Rooms Ackerly Avenue

Contact Phillip North - Ph: 5762 5280

Colac - Heritage Club Traditional Old Style Country

3rd Sunday 1pm - 5:30pm Held at CWA Hall

Contact Joyce O'Neill - Ph: 5231 3355

Bendigo Country Talent Club

3rd Sunday. 6pm – 10pm, Held at Kangaroo Flat Sports Club

Contact Norma Wright (Pres) Ph 5446 9127

Beaufort Country Talent Club Inc

3rd Sunday. 6pm - 10pm - Beaufort Golf Club, Lawrence St/Park Rd

Contact Marcia Ph 5349 2554

Warrnambool District Country Music Group Inc.

3rd Sunday 1pm – 4.30pm, Held at City Memorial Bowls Club, Cramer St, Warrnambool

Contact Robyn Gleeson 0428 554 473

Sebastopol Country Talent Club Inc.

4th Sunday. 4.00pm – 9.30pm, Held at the Midlands Golf Club - Heinz Lane - Bairat

For bookings contact ph 0435150322.

Tombstone Country

4th Sunday. 2pm - 6pm Held at Shaw's Rd Teasdale (follow the signs)

Contact Steve Walker Ph: 5281 5383

Mooroopna Country Music Club

Last Sunday. Noon til 6pm, Held at Sir Ian McLennan Centre (next to Bowls Club)

Contact Andrew Surth - Ph 0419 852 463

Ken Smith's Country Music Charity Concerts

Last Sunday 1pm - 5 pm Warrnambool

Contact Ken Smith Ph 5565 7846

Bellarine Country Music Group Inc.

Every Friday. 7pm – 10pm Held at The Belmont Park Pavilion

162 Barrabool Road, Belmont, opposite the Barwon Tourist Park

(the grey building under the overpass)

For further information, contact - Ph 5278 4557

Pascoe Vale Country Music Guild of Australia

Every Friday 8pm - 11.30pm at Pascoe Vale RSL cnr Cumberland Rd & O'Hea St.

Contact Keith 03 9338 7902 (AH).

Kardinia Senior Citizens Club

Every Friday night 7pm - Kardinia Park, Cnr Moorabool St & Park Cresc., Geelong

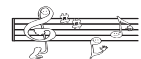
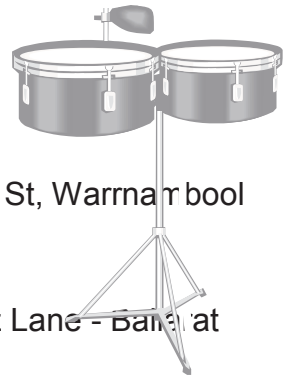
Contact Tex Ayres Ph 52781567

North Geelong Country Music Club

Every Wednesday night, doors open 6pm, Norlane Senior Citizen's Clubrooms

55 Yooringa Drive, Norlane. Entry \$3, Soup and Sandwiches for sale, Tea & Coffee Free

For further info contact Terry Shelley on 0438 829 234 - All Welcome



Any additions or changes please notify Jilly Bruce - (03) 53420361

JILLY'S RAMBLINGS

As always, a very warm welcome to our 267th CMAV Club evening. I hope you have a very enjoyable time. Forgive your Committee if, on occasions, not everything runs as smoothly as planned. There is an old saying "Man proposes and God disposes" and sometimes this seems quite appropriate!!! However, many hands are hard at work in various ways for several hours at the Club before anybody else arrives. This is to ensure, if possible, that you, our members and patrons, are set for a few hours of pleasant social interaction and good entertainment. Your President Joan Elsey does an excellent job of organising the seating every month, a totally unenviable task and sometimes a thankless one. She relies very much on the volunteers who set up the tables before she arrives at the Bowling Club. Other volunteers are engaged in many other tasks, eg., bringing the trailer to the Club so that musical instruments can be set up, making endless sandwiches and setting up the kitchen, picking up fruit boxes and pot plants and organising the raffles, as well as the setting up of tables and chairs, and the list goes on. They all do this because they enjoy being a part of this very successful Country Music Club, and they are the reason why CMAV is such a good place to spend a few pleasant hours just once a month, and this is where we thank you, our members and patrons, for your regular attendances and support because without you, there would not be a Club. You are all just great!!

There is a reason why I mention Joan by name, and it is because there have been a couple of issues that have affected her particular area of volunteering. From time to time, seating can be a problem and anger becomes an ugly part of the picture. This is such a wasted emotion and solves nothing!! If you book and then are unable to come, a quick call would be appreciated. Just let us know whatever the case may be, on the night as well, and Joan will do her level best to solve the seating problems. However she does not have a magic wand!!! Well that is my rant for the year!!!! Now to other things.

Dennis and I visited the Maryborough Country Music Club on the 2nd of April, and as always we were made to feel very welcome. Guest artists were The Hoffmans Duo. They are very popular wherever they perform and this night was no exception. The venue for this Club is so good- big stage, plenty of room for dancing, and plenty of seating room , as well as a bistro serving nice but enormous meals. A very enjoyable night. Our guest artist on 9th of April was the ever popular Cameron Mason. Such a nice down to Earth guy with a great voice. I received some really good feedback after the show, and may I say thank you to all those who made the effort to

let me know. Cameron totally enjoyed his time with us and is grateful for the support and interest shown for his very recently launched CD - " In My Own Shoes " He wrote 10 of the 12 tracks on this album and they are all pretty good. Thank you Cameron. Such easy listening.

I hope that you all had a pleasant Easter weekend. Mine was basically with my family who will always come first, but I do know that there were three very good fundraising events over three days, two on Good Friday and one on Easter Sunday, and it seems like they were all very successful. Bidge and Barb Boyd organised an event at Lake Purrumbete as they have done for several years now. Their guests included Andrea Weel, Allan Webster, and The Long and Short of It, to name just a few. The amount raised for the Royal Children's Hospital was \$3,705. A great effort for a very worthy cause. Well done to all involved .

A second fundraiser for the Royal Children's Hospital was organised by Leigh and Ammie Moneghetti and it was held at the Brown Hill Hall. Entry price was \$20.00, there was a BBQ along with raffles and auctions. Entertainment was provided by Kim Ritchie, Joe Piastrino, Ballarat Highland Dancers and others. The amount raised was \$5,811.70 - a wonderful effort for a very needy cause. Quite some years ago I was working in the Cystic Fibrosis Research Ward at the RCH on a Good Friday. The Hospital was alive with activities of every nature- a great day that remains very clearly in my mind. So, sincere congratulations to everyone involved in both of the above events- you have contributed to a wonderful cause. Be proud!

Yet another fundraiser was organised for some of the victims and survivors of " Cyclone Debbie ", a very scary and destructive example of Mother Nature's extreme wrath. Rene Diaz is a very talented, versatile and popular country music artist. He simply put a message on FaceBook asking for any persons interested in helping out with a country music event, to contact him. He was overwhelmed by the response he received and has written a lovely letter of thanks mentioning the names of every single person involved, right from the artists to the audience. I have received some great feedback about this program, one in written form, with details of the artists and their performances. It was held on Easter Sunday at the Noble Park RSL, and from all reports I received, it was an excellent afternoon. The amount raised was \$4,388.00 and it was donated to the Lismore City Council and the Whitsunday Regional Council Flood Appeals.

The 2017 Barham Balladeers and Country Music Festival is set for May 25th--28th. Artists include Brian Letton, Peter Coad and the Coad Sisters, Pete Smith, Matt Manning and Dianne Lindsay, to name just a few. I have a feeling that the CMAV will be pretty well represented at this one!!!

The Corowa Country Music Roundabout is on again from 15th-18th June. Some of the artists who will be entertaining there will be The Coads and Jim Hermel, Craig Giles, Sandie Dodd, Dennis Morgan and Justin Standley. Speaking of Justin, he has been away in Spain , with his partner Peter, enjoying a well-earned break.

For those who like Isla Grant she is once again on tour. After her last visit I was led to believe that that WAS her last tour,so this comes as a nice surprise. Her Australian tour starts on 4th September in Albury and ends in Hobart on 22nd of October. In between those two dates Isla will perform at 30 different venues in 30 different towns and/or cities. That is a pretty tight schedule I would think. She will be in Ballarat on 22nd of September at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts. Tickets are \$69.00 each.

I have read very recently of a band called "Small Town Romance". Jim Arneman and Flora Smith front the band of five and they released their debut album just a few months ago. I have not heard it as yet but it sounds interesting. Jim is the son of Anne Kirkpatrick and grandson of Slim Dusty and Joy McKean. Flora was born into a house filled with Irish music, but then fell in love with the spirit of classic country. Now Jim and Flora have married and "Small Town Romance", who are based in Melbourne, are touring through Qld, SA and N S W.

Chad Morgan is 84 years old and he has released a new album called "Chad Morgan Family and Friends". It features not only Chad, but also his two brothers Dennis and Keith, two sons Chad Jnr and Alan, daughter Janelle and grand-daughter Caitlin, as well as a number of very close friends. However there is a sad side to this accomplishment- the whole family are mourning the loss of Chad's wife, Joanie. Maybe the CD will prove to be of some consolation to family and friends at this time.

Alan and Nancy Carroll have been married for 60 years, and on 23rd of April they celebrated this milestone by renewing their vows , surrounded by family and friends. Very sincere congratulations. Alan comperes many major Festivals.

On behalf of CMAV members and friends, I would like to offer sincere condolences to Jan for the loss of her husband Keith Findlow. He was a man of the land, a good husband, father and friend, and he loved his country music. He passed away on Friday 31st March after a short but serious illness. Warmest thoughts from all of us who were lucky enough to know him. Xxx

On that note, sad as it is, I will end my 'ramblings' for this month. Take care, spare a thought for those less fortunate, be kind to one another, and enjoy your country music. Until we meet again at this great club of ours, I am yours in country, Jilly.



OUR NEXT CLUB EVENING WILL BE ON

11th JUNE 2017

and our GUEST ARTIST will be:

“RUSSELL ERWIN”



A special thanks to our April guest artist:

“Cameron Mason”



RECIPE - RHUBARB CUSTARD SLICE

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups plain flour
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 cup cold butter

FILLING:

- 2 cups sugar
- 7 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 cup whipping cream
- 3 large eggs, beaten
- 5 cups finely chopped fresh or frozen rhubarb, thawed and drained

TOPPING:

- 6 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream, whipped



METHOD:

Step 1 - in a bowl, combine the flour and sugar; cut in butter until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Press into a greased 13x9-in. baking pan. Bake at 350° for 10 minutes.

Step 2 - Meanwhile, for filling, combine sugar and flour in a bowl. Whisk in cream and eggs. Stir in the rhubarb. Pour over crust. Bake at 350° for 40-45 minutes or until custard is set. Cool.

Step 3 - For topping, beat cream cheese, sugar and vanilla until smooth; fold in whipped cream. Spread over top. Cover and chill. Cut into bars. Store in the refrigerator. Yield: 3 dozen.

ARTISTS AT OTHER CLUBS

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<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Artist/s</u>
Sat 20th	May	Colac Kickback Country	Justin Standley
Sun 21st	May	Colac Heritage	Joe Musico
Sun 21st	May	Warrnambool & District	Gavin Chatelier
Sun 21st	May	Bendigo	Mick Micallef
Sun 21st	May	Beaufort	Gavin Chatelier
Sun 21st	May	Echuca	Cameron Mason
Fri 26th	May	Bellarine Country Music Group Inc.	Alan Carroll
Sun 28th	May	Sebastopol	Don Costa
Sun 28th	May	Mooroopna	Andrea Weel
Sat 3rd	Jun	Cobden Music and Dance	Wayne Stratton
Sun 4th	Jun	Maryborough	Trevor Keilar
Sun 4th	Jun	Upwey	Showcase
Sun 4th	Jun	The Sphinx - North Geelong	Justin Standley
Sun 4th	Jun	Kyabram	Callum Gleeson
Sun 4th	Jun	Colac Comeback Country	Garry Hunt
Sun 11th	Jun	Ballarat CMAV	Russell Erwin
Sun 11th	Jun	Peninsula	Showcase
Sun 11th	Jun	St. Arnaud	Trevor Keilar
Sun 11th	Jun	Solar City C.M. Club	Kim Ritchie
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