

Newsletter of the Bush Dance & Music Club of Bendigo Inc.

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Newsletter contributions:

If you would like anything included in the newsletter please email it to me on flecks@hotmail.com or if you are not on email phone me on 0404 532 779. Please note the last day I will be able to include anything is **Monday 4th March**, before the Wednesday Mail.

Apologies for the lateness of the newsletter this month, the AGM was only Wednesday just gone and couldn't do newsletter before it had happened.

Upcoming events to keep in mind:

➤ Dance Clubs Monthly Dance –

Saturday 16th February 2019

Keck Street Hall

Music by "Emu Creek"

Admission: Members \$5 Non-members \$8 Children under 16 Free

A Plate of Supper to share is always appreciated.

Don't forget if you have a friend or know someone who wants to give dancing a try let them know if they come along to a dance they will receive a FREE!! Pass to use throughout the year (excluding the Dinki-Di-Ball and Christmas party)

➤ Dance Clubs General Meeting –

Wednesday 27th February at Bendigo Neighbourhood Hub at the Strathdale Community Centre, Crook St. Strathdale.

➤ Gay Charmers 60th Birthday Celebrations- Saturday 30th – Sunday 31st March 2019

See flyer at back of newsletter for more information.

Reports:

➤ Annual General Meeting:

The clubs annual general meeting was held on Wednesday 6th February at the Bendigo Neighbourhood Hub, there were 9 members present.

All positions on the executive committee for open for election, as there were no new nominees the committee remains the same as last year (I did nominate my dog Franklin to be newsletter editor, but he was not accepted- he'll just have to keep helping from the sidelines)

We discussed prices for memberships and admittance to the monthly dances, it was decided all prices would remain the same.

Membership fees: Family \$35 and Single- \$20

Door fees: Member- \$5, non members- \$8 and under 16's-FREE

It was decided that we would continue our FREE admittance coupons for new members, this has been slightly revised to allow a full 6months before it expires to give all new patrons the same opportunity to utilize it, so please encourage family and friends to come give it a go.

As it has been quite a while since we have updated records, we decided we would make a membership form to update all information. A copy can be found at the end of this newsletter, please fill out and return as soon as possible, many thanks.

➤ President's Report February 2019- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

This last year we have had lots of fun, great music and good dancing.

The February dance was held at Bendigo East but after that, due to a change of the hall committee of management we decided to change venues and went to Keck St Holy Trinity Church hall.

This has a lovely atmosphere, a great hall and kitchen.

Our ball in September at Eaglehawk was well attended with once again great music, and the night was enjoyed by all. The supper was delicious and many thanks to all who helped.

Our monthly dances we have had different themes one was Irish, a Scottish night, Christmas as well as the birthday dance with a bad taste theme. The hall was decorated for each night and many thanks to all that helped in this.

Some of the dancers went to some of the Aged Care facilities around Bendigo to do exhibitions which the older residents loved as they say it brings back memories.

This year we applied to the City of Greater Bendigo for a small grant to help cover the costs of the ball which we were successful.

A great thanks to the Emu Creek band and the Gay Charmers for their terrific music this year and look forward to this coming year.

Thanks also goes to Mary our Secretary, Wilhelmina Treasurer, Elka newsletter editor, and all the other committee members in helping with running of the club. Also the Mc's John, Chris and Carol who helped me with the dances each month.

We also had a few new dancers at some of our dances as well as the regulars so hoping they all come back this year.

Looking forward to another year of happy dancing, and great friendship, and good health to everyone.

Dianne Pearse

President. 2019.

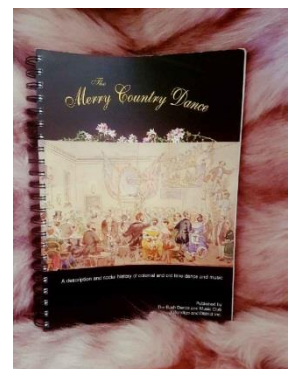
➤ Dancing at the Old Folks Home:

On Tuesday 29th January 5 couples entertained the folks at Freedom aged care. Eric thrilled the audience with a few tunes a set of lancers was also danced. The residents and dancers all enjoyed the afternoon together.

Merry Country Dance Book:

Our revised edition of the "Merry Country Dance" book is now ready for purchase. Please contact Mary Smith if you wish to buy a copy. The cost of the book is \$35

You can also purchase this book and have it posted to you at an additional cost, price subject to location being posted to.



Facebook:

Don't forget to like and share our Facebook page if you have some free time to check it out. The link to the page is below:

<https://www.facebook.com/bushdanceandmusicclubbendigo/>

Email:

- Please reply to club emails where possible, especially meeting reminders.
- If you would like to receive your club newsletter via email please email me on flecks@hotmail.com so that I can add you to the list.

Birthdays and anniversaries:



February Birthdays:

This month we wish **John Fordham (7th February)** and **Geoff Barker (7th February)**. Wishing you both all the best on your special day.

I have gone through the birthday book and our list of members and there are quite a few missing, if you would like to let us to celebrate with you please let me know your birthdate (no year required)

February Anniversaries:

Congratulations to **Don and Julie** who celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary on **February 12th**, we hope you both enjoyed your special day and have many more to come.

Executive Committee:

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Thanks to John Williamson who sent this article in for you all to enjoy...

Bendigo Advertiser 6 Feb 1882

A Terrible Experience.

The mining manager of Mr. Lanseli's 180 claim, Mr. James Northcott, the well-known bandmaster had, on Saturday, a frightfully narrow escape from a terrible death. During the afternoon shift Mr. Northcott was being hauled up in the cage by the engine-driver. However, on reaching the surface the driver, with carelessness scarcely to be imagined, hauled the cage up to the wheels to the poppet-heads, notwithstanding that they are over 100 feet in height.

Fortunately one of Middleton's safety patent hook was attached to the safety cage, and as the hook went through the "thimble" it opened and the rope went flying into the engine room. The safety apparatus attached to the sides of the cage gripped firmly to the skids, and Northcott was held suspended over 100 feet from the brace of the shaft, and over 1,750 feet from the bottom of the shaft. He remained in this perilous position several minutes before he was released. Had the safety appliances failed to act Mr. Northcott would have been sent crashing over 1,750 feet below (the shaft being over 1,650 feet, and the poppet heads over 100 feet).

Notwithstanding this awful adventure Mr. Northcott was able to lead his band when performing on the Shamrock balcony on Saturday evening.

Membership fees are now due, bank details are as follows:

Account name: Bush Dance and Music Club INC Bank: Bendigo Bank

Account number:1003 18351

BSB: 633 000

Gay Charmers 60th Birthday



Lake Charm Hall, Murray Valley Highway, Lake Charm 3581

Saturday 30th March

- 2 pm session
- 4 pm dance
- 6 pm BBQ provided
- 8 pm concert

Sunday 31st March

- 9 am breakfast provided
- Session



RSVP preferred for catering purposes

Stuart 03 5457 9222 or srsimms@skymesh.com.au

Accommodation available in Kerang (overleaf)

Apartments **Kerang Cabins** ★★★

📍 Kerang – Show on map 📍 (3 km from centre)

Booked 2 times in the last 6 hours

Apartment 🛏️ – 20 m² – Bigger than most in Kerang

There's only 1 like it!

Risk free: You can cancel later, so lock in this great price today.

Fabulous **8.9**
55 reviews

AUD 92

includes taxes and charges

FREE cancellation

No prepayment needed

Kerang Motel

📍 Kerang – Show on map 📍 (300 m from centre)

Booked 2 times in the last 24 hours

Double Room 🛏️

In high demand - only 3 rooms left!

Risk free: You can cancel later, so lock in this great price today.

Superb **9.0**
118 reviews

Location 9.4

AUD 134

includes taxes and charges

FREE cancellation

No prepayment needed

Loddon River Motel

📍 Kerang – Show on map 📍 (800 m from centre)

Last booked: 2 hours ago

Great Value Today

😊 100% of guest reviewers had their expectations of this property met or exceeded

Double Room 🛏️ – Bigger than most in Kerang

In high demand - only 6 rooms left!

Risk free: You can cancel later, so lock in this great price today.

Superb **9.3**
124 reviews

Guest Favourite

AUD 125

includes taxes and charges

FREE cancellation

Membership Form of The Bush Dance and Music Club of Bendigo



Type of membership: Single- \$20 Family- \$35

Name of member 1: _____

Birthdate: _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Postal address: _____

Preferred method to receive newsletter (please tick):

Post Email Both

Name of member 2: _____

Birthdate: _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Postal address: _____

Preferred method to receive newsletter (please tick):

Post Email Both

Wedding Anniversary (if applicable): _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No