

That Woz the Day That Woz!

Hi Folks

The **Gawler Country Music Workshop** has now been in existence for over eight years. It has seen many faces come and go over the years and many changes made to the day's procedures. Some changes were for the better and unfortunately some did not work out so well.

I won't dwell on the past here, but look to the year ahead. This year we would like everyone who attends the workshop to become more involved rather than sitting in corners, or only playing along when everyone is playing, and at a level no-one can hear them. This happens for various reasons and as I am trying to remain positive I shall leave it at that, but whatever reason; you will not get anywhere fast by sitting back, and not taking part in the special sessions.

I know that there are some people who are attending the workshop, who never wish to be playing in a band and want to play solo, we will be looking at ways to fulfil your particular needs, but you will also benefit by joining our group sessions.

The special performance slots will allow soloists and duets to perform and will also be kept to a maximum of two songs. If the songs are not from the Music Workshop books, they must be songs you have worked on during the day with the designated tutors on that day. **If you want a band playing with you, you must provide chord charts.**

The workshop is designed for musicians to help them improve their performance. However if you prefer to come along and listen to the music, you are very welcome. However, please be aware that this is a **Music Workshop** not a concert. The format has always been a workshop and will remain so.

If you want a concert, the second and fourth Saturday of each month, you are welcome to attend the **Open Mike** held at the same venue.

The raffle will now be drawn at 4pm and **don't forget** that only tea, coffee and biscuits will be supplied. You will need to bring your own lunch from now on.

Also if the unlikely temperature on the day is forecast above 32 degrees the **Music Workshop** and **Open Mike** will be **cancelled**.

Fred Payne

The Hoffmans



It isn't often our club invites country acts who use backing tracks in preference to a live music. However, as they say, 'There are exceptions to the rule...'

Heather and **David** have been performing country music for many years. Having met in 1982, **Heather** joined **David's** band Top Country and the two married soon after.

Spending 12 years on Queensland's Gold Coast playing professionally in the clubs circuit they have now come back to their first love **Country Music**.

Heather is a well-seasoned performer. She started to sing at 7 years of age at local talent quests, schools and clubs.

She won a scholarship to study classically at the **Melba Conservatorium** and finished with honours at AMEB levels. **Heather** has worked in bands since the early 80's but she is now very happy to sing with hubby **David** doing what they do best.

David has performed mainly as a backing band member since the tender age of 13. The best known "star" he has toured with was **Normie Rowe** where he toured for 2 years around Australia in the late 70's at the young age of 17. **David** has also played for many well-known acts at festivals and concerts such as **Lee Conway, The Hawking Bros, and Frankie Davidson**.

Together they will tell you that there is nothing better than working with each other. They have such diverse backgrounds in music but with their captivating **harmonies**, and **crystal clear voices**, their performances are described as being **exhilarating, humorous, emotive** and **passionate**.

The Hoffman's have 5 cd's and 1 DVD available, and now; having played along with many top line artists; the dynamic duo plan to take to the oceans to appear on cruise ships entertaining winers, diners and dolphins ... swaying and swinging to the sound of music.

Dot's Spot!



Three Country Music Fans

Three Gawler Country Music Fans were having their regular cuppa and chinwag together at Munno Para Shopping Centre.

One says...

"You know, I'm getting really forgetful. This morning, I was standing at the top of the stairs, and I couldn't remember whether I had just come up or was about to go down."

The second Country Music Fan says, "You think that's bad? The other day, I was sitting on the edge of my bed, and I couldn't remember whether I was going to bed or had just woken up!"

The third lady smiles smugly, "Well, my memory' is just as good as it's always been... knock on wood," she says as she raps on the table.

Then with a startled look on her face, she asks...

"Who's there?"

Retirement Village

Two mature aged country music musicians from a local retirement complex near Adelaide were sitting on a bench under a tree when Ken turns to George and says:

'George, I'm getting on in years now and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel?'

George says, 'I feel just like a newborn baby.'

'Really? Like a newborn baby!?'

'Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants.'

Gawler Country Music Workshop

Anglican Parish Hall 26 Cowan Street Gawler

If You Want to Play

🎸 Guitar	Bass
🥁 Drums	Banjo
🎻 Fiddle	Harp

Bring your instruments along and learn from the experience of others. Have fun playing along with new friends.

Only \$4.00 entry
Tea and Coffee available BYO Lunch.

First Saturday of each month
12noon to 5pm

CU Saturday 1st of March & 5th April
Tel: 0417 851 609

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Note: Heat Policy
for Gawler Country
Music Workshop and Open Mike

In the unlikely weather forecast of 32
degrees and over Events will be
Automatically Cancelled.



YIPEE!

Phill's Open Mike

Is Back!

Everyone's welcome!
We look forward to seeing you on the
2nd and 4th Saturday each month.

Anglican Parish Hall 26 Cowan Street Gawler
11am 'til 4.30pm
Phill 8276 8020 or 0413 771 095