Keith and Helen visited the recent Alcheringa Shindig Country Music Show on Saturday 10th February.

Helen says "$10-00 each to enter, and it was money well spent.'

The enjoyable show was organised as a fundraiser for "The Flying Doctor Service".

Good artists, good food and drinks, relaxing in the shade and dancing for those who wanted….what more could one wish for?

David Williams (nephew of the late R.M. Williams) put the show on with help from his close friends, and a number of Sponsors.

There was close to 400 people attending.

‘The Flying Doctors provides a very important service. Anyone may need them at some time…. But we hope not.’

The Alcheringa Shindig had some artists known to us and others we had never seen before.

Craig Giles, Slim Connors, Cross Country, Rodney Noll, Tiffney Stron, Kristal Collins, Chooka Williams, Sonni Frances, Guido Davis, David Coster, Ian Kawold.

David Williams has a Hall of Fame and also was a trainer of dancing horses, which have been used in the “Lord of the Rings” movie.

He had a show with his trained Andalusia dancing horses and trained the first Line Dancing Horse (Dumers) used in Tamworth.

The next Alcheringa Country show will be held on Easter Saturday.

Editors Note: Thanks for this article Helen. All Club members… please… if you are Out and About… let us know…Tell us all about it… and we will add your story to our monthly newsletter.

The Dixie Chicks recently completed a defiant comeback winning Five Grammy Awards after being shunned by the Country Music establishment over the group’s anti-Bush comments leading up to the Iraq invasion.

The Texas trio won record and song of the year for the no-regrets anthem “Not Ready to Make Nice.”

They also won best country album.

Dixie Chicks Martie Maguire, Emily Robison, and Natalie Maines have also been chosen by iTunes as having the best Country Album of 2006.

The Dixie Chicks have beaten tough competition from Rascal Flatts (Me and My Gang), Keith Urban (Love, pain and the whole crazy thing), George Strait (It Just Comes Natural), and Dierks Bentley (Long Trip Alone)."

"It's easier to write songs that are about other people," says Natalie Maines. "It's much harder to put yourself out there, but the songs are so much better and mean so much more when you can let yourself be vulnerable, and be honest with your emotions and your beliefs."

Here’s an overview of their Dates and Facts.

1989   The Dixie Chicks were formed in Dallas, Texas.
1990   Dixie Chicks release their first independent album, Thank Heaven For Dale Evans.
1992   Dixie Chicks release their second independent album, Little Ol' Cowgirl.
1993   Dixie Chicks release their third independent album, Shouldn’t A Told You That.
1997   The Dixie Chicks signed with Monument Records (Sony Imprint Label)
1998   Dixie Chicks released their first major label album, Wide Open Spaces.
1999   Dixie Chicks released their second major label album, Home.
2002   Dixie Chicks renegotiated their deal, which resulted in their own imprint Open Wide Records. Dixie Chicks released their third major label album, Fly.
2003   Dixie Chicks released their first live album Top Of The World (Live). They also released two DVDs, An Evening With The Dixie Chicks in February and Top Of The World Tour Live in November.
2006   Dixie Chicks release their fourth major label album, Taking The Long Way.

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