

A story to touch your heart.....

Puppies for Sale

A South Australian farmer recently had some puppies he needed to sell.

He painted a sign advertising '4 Pups for Sale', and set about nailing it to on a post at the edge of his property.

As he was driving the last nail into the post, he felt a tug on his overalls. He looked down into the eyes of a little boy.

"Mister," he said, "I want to buy "one of your puppies."

"Well," said the farmer, as he rubbed the sweat off the back of his neck,

"These puppies come from fine parents and cost a good deal of money."

The boy dropped his head for a moment, then reaching deep into his pocket; he pulled out a handful of loose coins and held it up to the farmer. "I've got thirty-five cents. Is that enough to take a look?"

"Sure," said the farmer. And with that he let out a whistle.

"Here, Dolly!" he called.

Out from the doghouse and down the ramp ran Dolly followed by four little balls of fur.



The little boy pressed his face against the chain link fence. His eyes danced with delight.

As the dogs made their way to the fence, the little boy noticed something else stirring inside the doghouse.

Slowly another little snow ball appeared, this one noticeably smaller. Down the ramp it slid. Then in a somewhat awkward manner, the little pup began hobbling toward the others, doing its best to catch up....

"I want that one," the little boy said, pointing to the runt.

The farmer knelt down at the boy's side and said, "Son, you don't want that puppy. He will never be able to run and play with you like these other dogs would."

With that the little boy stepped back from the fence, reached down, and began rolling up one leg of his trousers.

In doing so he revealed a steel brace running down both sides of his leg attaching itself to a specially made shoe.

Looking back up at the farmer, he said,

"You see sir, I don't run too well myself, and he will need someone who understands."

With tears in his eyes, the farmer reached down and picked up the little pup.

Holding it carefully he handed it to the little boy.

"How much?" asked the little boy.

"No charge," answered the farmer,

"There's no charge for love."

The world is full of people who need someone who understands.

Let's all do our best.....



Special Events

Another Great Show



Maryanne & Co's proficient tight nit music attracted a host of line dancers onto the dance floor from the opening number.

The music and vocals of the band and the clear singing voice of Maryanne were impressive indeed.

Yep! The lively, chunky music of 'Boot Skoot'n Boogie' certainly had the line dancers smiling.

People were singing, nodding and applauding to songs like 'Blue Moon of Kentucky' and 'The Outback Club'.

The tribute song 'You are an Angel' written by former rhythm guitarist Terry Franks about his wife brought a lump to the throat.



Walk up artist Steve Tripodi was in great form with his rendition of 'I can't stop Loving You'.

Well done Steve.

A Special Thank You

Maryanne & Co reduced their performance fee due to the fact that they were one band member down.

Under very sad circumstances we offer a heartfelt thanks to the entire band for your generous gesture.

The Committee

Pam and Roy

Pam and Roy Fowler were 'put on the spot', but unfortunately it was the wrong one, when they became runners up in the Monte Carlo....



Roy praised Maryanne and Co by saying they are a great band for line dancers, and the evidence was clear for the duration of the show.

A WORD FROM SIR FRED



At the September meeting I was elected by the committee into the new position of **Public Relations Officer.** (And honestly; I really don't need to be addressed as **Sir Fred**.... Oh well OKIf you insist!)

The goals I hope to achieve are as follows

- 1 To gain more sponsorship either in advertising in our newsletter or donations etc
- 2 To be available to you as a member to take your valued suggestions back to the committee for discussion
- 3 To be a club representative at other affiliated country music venues

I would now like to say a few words about my other hat as Coordinator of the Gawler Country Music Workshop.

A big thank you to Brian Moore and Les Parris for the help and support they have given me in getting the workshop up and running. Thanks also to Carol for her keeping the urn full and for donating sandwiches etc... And of course, thanks to all of you for coming along.

If any participants have a song or two they would like to perform and haven't got enough chord charts to go around you can pass them to me and I will develop more copies.

Don't be backwards in coming forward. If you would like to sing; the more the merrier and you won't have to listen to my horrible voice.

Bye for now

Or should I say....'Good Knight'

Fred Payne

The Gawler Country Music Club is run by volunteers who work hard to make it pleasant, enjoyable and a club to be proud of. Please give your support.