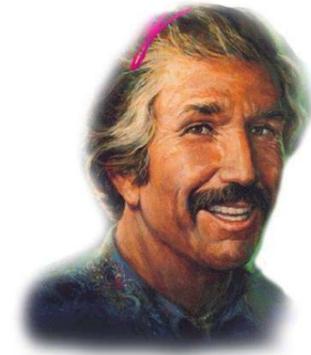


## Memories of Marty

**Marty Robins** is to be honoured by the USA Country Music Hall of Fame with its exhibition...  
**'Marty Robbins: Among My Souvenirs.'**

The exhibition will open in the Museum on **Aug 2007** and run through to **June 2008**.



Marty was inducted into the **Country Music Hall of Fame** in **October 1982**, just 7 weeks before he passed away at the age of 57.

He was one of the most versatile performers in American music history.

Throughout his career, he recorded **country, western, rockabilly, Hawaiian, gospel and pop** with equal mastery.

He was a showman who engaged fans and created excitement whenever he took the stage. He was also a **songwriter, businessman, actor, author and stockcar racer**.

An **Arizona** native, **Marty** was born into a poverty-stricken family and endured a difficult childhood eventually dropping out of high school.

He had nearly **100 charted hits**, including **16 Number 1 songs**.

In **September 1956**, **Marty's** recording of **'Singing the Blues'** hit **Number 1** on **Billboard's Country Chart** and he hit the **Top Twenty** on the **pop chart** soon after with **"A White Sport Coat (and a Pink Carnation)**.

His signature song, the self-penned **"El Paso"** was released in **October 1959** winning him his first **Grammy**.

Following in the tradition of his idol **Gene Autry**, Robbins starred in a number of movies and TV series.

**'The Country Music Museum'** is a museum in **Nashville, Tennessee**. Its mission is to document the history of **Country Music** and to honour its major contributors. Within the building lies the **Hall of Fame** itself, which consists of plaques honouring the most famous of **country and western music-related personalities** as designated by the **Country Music Association (CMA)**.

## Obituary

You may have heard the sad news that **Wanetta Garnaut** of **Wanetta's Country Plus** passed away in hospital on **Tuesday April 24** as a result of an earlier massive heart attack.



On behalf of **Gawler Country Music Club** and all **County Music followers** we send our condolences to family and friends.

## Wot Do You Know?

**'Countdown'** should be brought back to our television screens! **Why?** Because it appears that **'Top of the Pops'** may actually be **'Top of the Flops!'**

To achieve **Gold Album status** in **Australia...** artists need to sell **35,000** records.

For **Platinum**, the magic number is **70,000**.

With the downturn in music sales, due to MP3 computer downloads, fewer albums than ever are actually selling to match previous figures... although certain labels still feel the need to **'talk gold'** to keep up the illusion of success.



The **Australian music industry** still sticks by its misleading policy of awarding **Gold and Platinum** based on what is **sold into stores... not what the general public buys**.

To construct the **illusion** of a **Gold selling album**, a label needs only to **distribute 35,000** units into a store, **grab the Gold Award**, and then have the store ship back the unsolds.....

Now that's sneaky!

What do you know?



Just a Thought From **Bill Northcott!**

Sorry if I upset people at Munno Para Bowling Club with my comment last month about lawn bowls. This one might be somewhat safer.

**'Rugby is a game played by gentlemen with odd-shaped balls!'**

Read more of Bill on Page 9...

**Aunty Kay's Question Time**

If you are wise enough... maybe you can translate the following?

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\*Answer at foot of column.

## 'Give it a Go!'

**Capitol Records Nashville** recently launched an innovative **online Country Music Talent Search** contest called **"The Road to Nashville."**

Artists have the chance to become **Nashville's next big country star** by **auditioning online**. See [www.buddytv.com/articles/nashville-star/](http://www.buddytv.com/articles/nashville-star/)

For anyone with vocal talent or who enjoys discovering great singers, this contest provides a new road to fame based on the votes of the **online community**.

**'The Road to Nashville'** contest winner will receive **\$50,000** and a **Demo Deal** with **Capitol Records Nashville**.

..... **\*Aunty Kay's Answer.....**

Too wise you are  
 Too wise you be  
 I see you are  
 Too wise for me

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**7.30 pm to 11.30 pm**

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**Bar Facilities: BYO Supper**



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