

Hi! From Eliza

Hi. Everybody

Dad, Nana and I recently travelled to **Mildura** and had a great time there.

We stayed at the **Apex River Beach Caravan Park** and the weather was good.

On Friday night the 26th of September I sang with **Warren Mahony's Camp Oven Country**. It was great to meet up with **Warren** again. **Doug Freer** from **Adelaide** was there with my old mate **Slim Connor**, his wife **Gwen**, and **Len** and **Jean Connor**.

On Saturday it was up early and off to see the talent quest. The talent there was great, with up to 20 singers in each section.

I sang on Sunday at the talent quest. I tried my best and was happy to win one trophy. But best of all was my time singing with all the **bush balladeers** at **Apex Park** each night... and catching up with fellow members of the **Australian Bush Balladeers Association**.

I sang most days at the **Gateway Hotel** with **Ian Muir**.

Me, Dad and Nana also saw as many shows as we could. It was great to see **Matt Manning** and hear him sing again.

We went and saw a show with **John O'dea** and fellow bush balladeers **Graham Rodger** and **Greg Bain** and it was brilliant.



I must also pay credit to **Des Morgan** for becoming the first **Australian** to be inducted into the **American Country Music Hall of Fame**. After hearing **Des** sing two years ago I wanted to be a singer like him. And he has given me help and advice. Singing for over fifty years he is one of our true country music legends. It would be great if we could get him to sing at our club one day.

I would like to thank **Keith Warren** and the **Gawler Country Music Club Committee** for your sponsorship. You have given me help to go away to sing at talent quest's and country music festivals, and for that I wish to say a big **'Thanks'**.

Best wishes to everyone at **Gawler Country Music Club**.

Eliza.

Can You Help Daryl!

Club Member Daryl is trying to track down the sheet music or chord charts for the following songs. If you can help please contact **Daryl** on (08) **8287 7113**.

Smoky Dawson...Homestead of My Dreams...I'll paint you a song
Tex Morton...Wrap me up in your Stock Wipe and Blancket...I'm Dreaming
Tonight of the Old Folks...Sergeant Small
Slim Dusty... Further Out....Lace Up Shoes...Old Bush Pub...The Outback's not so
Wayback Anymore...Country Revival...Saddle Boy.



Ma's Country Kitchen



Now that the weather is warming up...something a little different

To take on a picnic I often make **zucchini slice** and a **quiche slice**. We also take **cold bbq chicken** and salad extras like **coleslaw**, **potato salad** and **pasta salad**.

Instead of apples and other fruits. try some summer fruits

or exotic fruits such as **mango**, **apricots**, **grapes**, **blueberries**, **raspberries** etc, and make a small fruit platter.

I have also been known to take a **cheese platter** with **dry biscuits and dips**. This makes for a light quick picnic snack. I still take along **bread and spreads** for people who feel like a sandwich.

There are so many things you can take for a picnic especially when you prefer cold finger foods and provided you take an esky and keep it cold, you will have a lovely picnic.

You could pick from some of the following: cold fried chicken, tuna, chicken, shrimp or turkey salad with crackers & cheese cubes.

Prepare broccoli, carrot sticks, bite sized strips of celery for a creamy dip. Make a cold soup that may be served in covered cups.

Create an interesting salad such as spinach or sunshine salad. Bring pudding cups or cups of apple sauce. Add some small rolls to the basket. Make rolls of thinly sliced roast beef and secure with toothpicks. Pack some condiments such as spicy mustard. Throw some hard candies into the basket and don't forget lots of napkins.

Now you can invite your favourite people to accompany you on a wonderful day in the country.

Have Your Say!

At our monthly meeting the issue of monthly running costs for producing our newsletter was discussed. To mail out Newsletters each month costs us on average \$110.00 i.e. \$1320.00 per year. To have the newsletters printed at a reasonable price would cost us \$1584.00 per year...a total of \$2904.00 per annum. Our Membership Income averages at \$2500 per annum. Not enough to cover the cost of the Newsletter, let alone all the other services provided by our club.

What do you think? Should we have a newsletter every 2 months? Could we cut costs by having members collect their newsletter at each club show? Should we raise our club membership fee, or make the Newsletter optional at e.g. an extra \$5.00 per year? Are there club members who don't want a newsletter?

What are your thoughts? Chat to our committee; place a note in our suggestion box.

It's your club... **Have Your Say! We need your assistance...**

Wise Words from Tonto

The Lone Ranger and Tonto went camping in the desert.

After they got their tent all set up, both men fell sound asleep.



Some hours later, **Tonto** wakes the **Lone Ranger** and says, "Kemo Sabe, look towards sky. What you see?"

The Lone Ranger replies, "I see millions of stars."

"What that tell you?" asked **Tonto**.

The Lone Ranger ponders for a minute then says, "**Astronomically** speaking, it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets.

Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo. Time-wise, it appears to be approximately a quarter past three in the morning.

Theologically, the Lord is all-powerful, and we are small and insignificant. Meteorologically, it seems we will have a beautiful day tomorrow. What's it tell you, Tonto?"

"You dumber than buffalo poop!

It means someone stole the tent!"