



Playford

'Keep it Country'

Update

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A Blast from the Past

Gawler Country Music Club was formed in 1993 following a very successful Gawler Country Music Festival held in October 1992.

The Organising committee of that festival was led by Glen Harrison, President of the Country Music Federation of South Australia Inc. and Merle Rogers, President of the Gawler Tourist Association.

Glen Harrison became president of the founding committee along with Merle Rogers as Vice President, Joni Lee-Voyce as Secretary, Sandy Davies as Treasurer, Joe McKerron as Promotions. Also on the committee were Glen's wife Christine, and daughter Kahren.

The 'First' Show was held on Sunday 7th March 1993 at 'Emily's Restaurant, (*now Café Nova*)

That first show featured 'Buckshot' a popular local band supported by guest artist, Kahren, Other artists who performed on that day were Colin Thomas, Rebecca Thomas, Linda Booth, Murray Mac, Aussie Atkinson, Duncan Smith Ian List, Travis List, Dallas List and Dan Mannix.

Membership of the Club was \$12 for general membership, \$6 for pensioner/Students. The entry fee for club days was \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members.

Joni Lee-Voyce officially registered the Gawler Country Music Club Inc. name in 1993 and she was the first person to pay her membership and become an official member of the club. As a courtesy, she gave Glen the No1 Membership number.

The first Edition of the Gawler Country Music Club Inc. was released in March 1993. The early newsletters were a A5 monthly publication. (*These first year newsletters have now been scanned and will soon be available to read on our Website*).

The club held it's first Music Workshop in May 1993 and offered tuition in Guitar, bass, pedal steel mandolin/banjo, vocals, and stage performance were all on offer.

Sadly, Glen Harrison passed away suddenly on August 5th 1993

The Club held it's first birthday celebrations on 20th March 1994 An entry fee of \$4 for members and \$6 for visitors was charged for that celebration event.

At the end of that first year, also in March, the club moved it's venue from Emily's to South Gawler Football club, which is reported to have a much bigger dance floor.

Information contained here comes from that first years newsletter. B.Huggins: Editor

Our next show



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**Playford Country
Music Club Inc**

**Proudly Presents
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Sunday 20 July 2025

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Palomino Deluxe



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Uley Road Hall, Elizabeth Downs

(Entry via Forrestall Road)

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Walkups Welcome

Contact Keith Warren for enquiries 0413 872 425

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The Playford Country Music Club Inc newsletter is a Bi-monthly publication designed to keep members informed on the activities of the club and other functions. Opinions and views expressed in the newsletter are not necessarily those of the publishers.

AGM

In only 2 months, we will be holding our annual committee elections.

This club can only continue to operate while it has an elected committee.

Do you love Country Music?

Do you want to see this club Continue?

If you can answer **YES** to either of these questions, then put your hand up when we call for nominations.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP THIS CLUB OPERATING.



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Open Mic

The open mic is held on the Saturday prior to our monthly Sunday club show, which is held on the **third** Sunday of the month.

The Playford Country Music Club's Open Mic is held at the Uley Road Hall, Elizabeth Downs, from 11am through to 4.30pm.

Entry is \$4 and tea and coffee are available for \$1

Everyone is welcome to get up and sing a song or two, or just sit back and relax and enjoy the time with

family and friends.

Dates to Remember are:

July 19th, August 16th, September 20th, October 18th, November 15th.

December 20th.



May Winners Are Grinners

MAY Raffle Winners

KFC Members Draw

Ian Jamieson

Door Prize

Min Couzner

Monte Carlo Winners

Lyn & Paul

May Lucky Square Winners

Rose Nash, Maxine (BB), Ronnie W, Min Couzner, Les Kerber,
Mary Roesler, Barbara McLellen,

May Raffle Winners

Beth H, Ian J, Rhonda, Noelene, Barbara K, Chrissie, Annie, Paul, Ian J,
Janice, Rosemary N.



May Meat Tray Winners

Bernie J, Kevin P, Wayne R.



Happy June Birthdays

Message from Keith, A belated birthday wish to all our June Members, The gremlins got into action and and I inadvertently gave Beth the wrong Information.

Glenice Foster, Heather Kerber, Keith Warren, Nanet Rawlands, George Dobie, Gerdi Sedlaczek, The late Slim Dusty, Jordy Rebers, Jim Errock, James Ross, Geoff Roberts.

Happy July Birthdays

Shirley Caulfield, Dawn Marshall, Monica Gibson, Heike Pothmann, Allan Savill, Wilfred Hanson, Jan Sands, Judy Fairhead, Rae Niemann, Catherine Tucker.

JUNE Winners Are Grinners

June Raffle Winners

KFC Members Draw

Fred Hugo

Door Prize

Sandra Anderson

Monte Carlo Winners

Susan M & Bill G

June Lucky Square Winners

Ian J, rex Bell, Judy F, John K, Ian J, Bernie J, Tina K

June Raffle Winners

Rose, Bev J, Lyn L, Annie W, Barbara K, Raelz, Barbara, Bev J, Edith (B/B), Barbara K, Dawn, Margaret,
Lyn L, Deb W.



June Meat Tray Winners

Kath (B/B), Keith W, Kath T.



Happy August Birthdays

Miriam Caulfield, Peter O'Malley, Jan Duffy, Geoffrey McDonald, Cynthia Pearce, Patricia Jones, Bronwyn Turner, Fiona Parish, Barbara Anderson, Mike Wilkinson, Elva Dalitz, Christine Mountstephen, Joan Cooke, Bob Huggins.

Spotlight on Life Members

Keith & Helen Warren

Keith grew up with country music and Helen soon became a fan in their dating years.

They met at court ballroom dancing and attended a show once a month to both enjoy and improve their dancing skills, while enjoying country music.

Keith and Helen joined the Gawler Country Music Club as general members in 1994.

In June 1996 Keith was elected as a committee member and soon after in October 1996 Helen also joined the committee as a general member.

In May 1997 the venue was changed to the Munno Para bowling club. The new venue could accommodate the growing numbers, had a bigger dance floor and had the facilities to start serving meals.

In September 1997 Keith was elected Vice President and also the Entertainment Officer. Helen was remained as a general committee member.

In November the Gawler Country Music Club claim to have been the first country music club in South Australia to have a presence on the World Wide Web.

In 2001 Keith was elected President of the Gawler Country Music Club as the then president took a leave of absence, and was also re-elected as entertainment officer taking on dual roles. Helen also remained on the committee as general committee member.

2002 Keith stepped back down to Vice President on the return of the previously elected President after his leave of absence.

July 2003 Keith was once again elected as president of the club and has remained in this role to the current date. At this time Helen was elected to secretary. A role she has filled since that date.

2004 was the first Slim Dusty Tribute show following the country music's legend passing the year before. All proceeds raised during this event were donated to Cancer research and this tradition continued until 2010. Keith was/is a huge fan and supporter of Slim Dusty, and the tribute show was formed to honour the country music legend. Live bands would perform Slim Dusty hits, where over the next 6 years approximately \$15,000 was raised and donated to cancer research on behalf of the club. Keith and Helen (in their own time and at their own cost) met with Slims wife "Joy McLean" to present her with details and amounts raised etc.

In 2014 the Gawler Country Music Club moved to the Grenville Centre in Elizabeth after learning the bowling club was to be closed down. This move was only going to be temporary until the negotiations could be held on a new suitable venue.

2016 After protracted negotiations, Gawler Country Music Club agreed to move to Uley Road Hall, Which has become the clubs permanent home.

2016 Gawler Country Music Club was renamed the Playford Country Music Club Inc.

The Playford Country Music Club meet every third Sunday each month.

Club members and committee members enjoy the sounds and talents of local and sometimes interstate live bands. All monies raised through these events pay for the bands, rent of the venue and costs associated with the planning, organising and running of these shows. All committee members are volunteers and do all this hard work for the love of country music. This is 100% run by volunteers.

There is so much that go on behind the scenes that people take for granted. Booking bands, which sometimes may include booking accommodation etc. Keith and Helen both do so much for "The Club" and a lot of it is never mentioned or acknowledged beyond the committee. Things that are undertaken that extend far past the role of president and Secretary. Organising Open Mic (held on the Saturday afternoon before the club show) at the Uley Road Hall. This is where people can come along and try their own vocal abilities with a group of people that play instruments. This usually runs over a period of 5 hours (11-4pm).

The club offers drinks i.e. soft drinks, water, tea, coffee and limited alcohol, with the appropriately certified people to serve attendees. There is also some snack foods made available.

Keith and Helens Family members, Fiona and Michael are the caterers who supply hot meals and sandwiches, cakes and dessert to all that attend. For a very reasonable price.

Keith constantly keeps on top of the many and varied issues with the venue by his contact with the local council to make sure the hall meets all safety and health regulations.

Helens job as club secretary goes beyond the usual secretarial role of minute taking, membership etc, Helen as secretary has a role as important as Keiths and should have the recognition for that, she is not simply a support for the president, although I'm sure she does a whole heap of supporting, especially back while Keith was undergoing both his knee replacement surgeries.

Keith and Helen Warren, live and breath this club. It would have folded a long time ago without their passion and drive to see it continue. Their Dedication is a true testament to their love of Country Music.

Even though both Keith and Helen are a long time retired, they spend a whole lot of their supposedly free time working for the continued benefit of this club.

They have travelled locally and interstate to view a band, support a fellow club or to support an up-and-coming young country music vocalist.

Over the years they have along with other committee members, organised and run sausage sizzles at local hardware stores to raise funds to enable the club to sponsor young artists.

Keith and Helen have shown a great deal of support to groups such as the Beyond Blindness Vision impaired group, who are regular attendees at our club days. Other groups have also been shown support in the past such as the Barkuma group who assist intellectually disabled people.

29 Years of hard work, dedication, devotion, passion and loyalty have seen Keith and Helen Place the needs of the club at time over and above even family.

Keith and Helens work has been acknowledged by the local Mayor and other government dignitaries. They were awarded a premiers Certificate which recognises the couple's community contributions.

Awards received

- * 2005 (Keith and Helen) Award of merit for outstanding service (Gawler Country Music)
- * 2010 Gawler Country Music Club, Life Membership for dedication and services.
- * 2016 SA Country Music Festival & Awards for support and dedication
- * 2017 (Keith and Helen) Premiers' certificate, Recognition for outstanding volunteer service
- * 2018 Adelaide Country Music Club Industry award



Well done to you both. Your hard work, dedication and passion for country music is truly inspiring.

This club owes you both a debt of gratitude which can never be fully expressed.

I would like to move a motion at our up coming AGM that the club creates a one off award especially for you both.

The Keith & Helen Warren Award for Outstanding Services to South Australian Country Music.

You, the club members will then have the opportunity to vote and show your appreciation.

Beth Huggins

Editor

Thank you to Fiona Parish for the background information used in this article.

May Photo's

This month we celebrated our 8th Birthday as "Playford Country Music Club Inc."
We had the fantastic Tru Country Band plus Malcolm Boyle.
Chris Scotland cut the birthday cake.



Membership Renewal is now OVERDUE

IF you haven't yet renewed your membership, but still love Country Music and intend to join us on club days, **PLEASE** renew your membership.

Our club needs all the support of every single one of our members to keep going.

Our AGM is coming up in August so also consider nominating for a position on the committee.

PLAYFORD COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB Inc. NEEDS YOU!



President's Report for May & June 2025

Hello Members,



Well our May show was another good day with Tru-Country.

Great Mix of music keeping the dance floor busy all day. Malcolm Doyle was our Guest Artist and also did a great job. Well done guys a great day.

Our open mic is always enjoyable, we could do with a few more people though. But for those people who turn up every month enjoy the day.

Moving on to our June Show, Key Country were great with a good mix of music keeping the dance floor busy.

Our Guest artist was Christine Clifford. It's been a long time since we had Christine, we were the under the Gawler name back at the bowling Club, but she was great. Christine did two forty minute spots without the band.

Great effort Christine. We enjoyed having you.

A big effort was put in by our Caterers, the dish washer had broken down before our show started. All the dishes were washed and dried by hand, a great effort by them. Well done guys.

Moving onto our July show. Palomino Deluxe will be our entertainment for the day. We all know what are a great band they are. I am looking forward to it. So until then.

Keep It Country.

Regards To all

Keith Warren

President.



FIONA'S TUCKERBOX

MAY SHOW.

Howdy friends, what a fantastic day we had, even though the cold weather has abruptly arrived it was nice to see all your warm smiling faces. The Hot Cross Bun (bread pudding) seemed to warm many of you so I will try to include a few winter warming options to the menu in the coming months. If you were lucky enough to try a piece of the Lemon slice I made, you'll be pleased to know you were part of the trial of a new recipe. The feedback was encouraging so I have included the recipe below so you can try it yourself.



NO BAKE LEMON SLICE

INGREDIENTS

BASE

- ☆ 150gm butter
- ☆ 1 can condensed milk
- ☆ 2 x 250gm packets milk arrowroot biscuits
- ☆ 1 cup coconut
- ☆ Zest and juice of 1 lemon

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- ☆ 2 cups icing sugar
- ☆ Zest and juice of 1 lemon
- ☆ 25gm butter, melted

This is a one bowl recipe.

Crush the biscuits as coarsely or fine as you want and place in a medium bowl.

Add all the other Base ingredients to the same bowl and mix until well combined.

I used a square 20cm x 20cm tray and lined it with baking paper. Pour the base mixture into the prepared tray and press down firmly. You can use the back of a spoon to push the mixture into the corners of the tray.

Icing. Place all the ingredients in to a bowl and mix well. Once its combined and smooth, pour over the base and spread evenly.

Place in the fridge to allow to set for approx. 5 hours. I left mine overnight. Once set, remove from the tray and cut into squares of your desired size.



JUNE SHOW.

Hello again! If it doesn't rain, it pours! We faced another challenge this month but we worked our way through it and managed to get through the day. Saturday afternoon, upon inspection of the kitchen we discovered it had not been cleaned by the previous users, so Matthew and I spent the remainder of the day deep cleaning the stove and kitchen to bring it up to the standard I expect it to be in (I always clean it before I use it anyway but this was in dire need of TLC) Then on Sunday we discovered the dishwasher was broken so we had to hand wash EVERYTHING! As you can imagine there was a lot to wash and dry. 150+ plates, cutlery to match, and all the dessert bowls etc plus all the cooking appliance/utensils and so on. What a busy time we had.

On a more positive note, we have been asked to have our tray of cakes, biscuits and slices available for you to purchase before we open the kitchen, so you can enjoy a sweet treat with your tea/coffee while the band is setting up. (if you arrive earlier than 12pm) so these will now be available to purchase from the bar from 10am to 12 noon \$2 per slice. I also trialled a "surprise cake" which was basically a mixture of the left-over cake batters I had. (I didn't want to waste them) These were sold for \$1 each. Surprisingly this was received very well. I'll try and have a surprise cake next month too.

Michael was back to assist this month, which was wonderful as he was able to help with the Chaos. Hopefully the other 2 will be back for July.

Stay warm, Regards Fiona

Fiona's Menu's



JULY MENU

ASSORTED SANDWICHES 🍷
\$6 each

MAIN MEALS \$12 each

- * Fiona's Loaded Tuna Mornay with Chips and bread
(There will be very Minimal Fish, Chips and Salad available too, on request, be quick)
OR
Chicken Schnitzel, Roast Potatoes & Veggies (Gravy optional)

DESSERT \$4 each

- * Warmed Jam Roly Poly with Custard or Icecream
OR
*Jelly, Fruit and Icecream 🍷

ASSORTED SLICED CAKES AND BISCUITS \$2 each

Lemon butter and Lime butter available \$5 each or 2 for \$8



AUGUST MENU

ASSORTED SANDWICHES
\$6 each

MAIN MEALS \$12 each

- * Fish, Chips and Salad
OR
* Fiona's Homemade Sausage Rolls with Chips and Salad

DESSERT \$4 each

- *Apple Crumble with Custard or Icecream
OR
*Jelly, Fruit and Icecream 🍷

ASSORTED SLICED CAKES AND BISCUITS \$2 each

SOMEONE'S TURNING 50 🎂
Happy Birthday Fiona

Club Notices.

Adelaide Country Music Club Inc. is MOVING!!

Their Next show will held at :-**The Brit Entertainment Centre 11 - 15 Davis Street, Wingfield S. A. 5103**

Humorous Blog.

* Don't annoy old people...

The older we get, the less "Life in Prison" is a deterrent.

* It's weird being the same age as old people.

* At my age, "Getting Lucky" means...

Walking into a room and remembering why I'm there!

* What's the secret to having a smoking hot body as a senior?

Cremation!!

* These are NOT grey hairs.

They are "Wisdom" highlights!

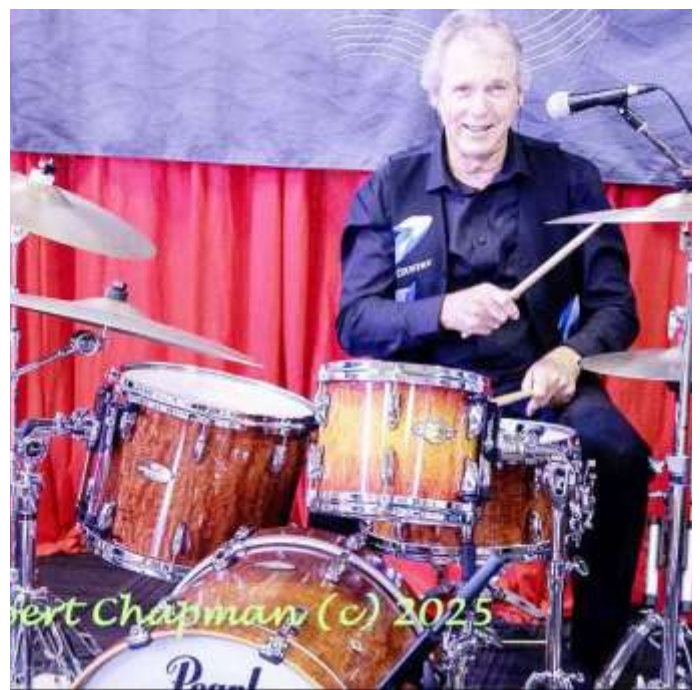
Our Fabulous Band and Guest Artist for June.



Great Show!



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And this is how you have a fun and laughter filled Sunday Afternoon





A pair of Mugs



Monte Carlo Winners

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Fun and Laughter!



JULY 2025

Fri 4 1.30-4pm	Ruby - A Lovely Local Young Lady	Hallett Cove and Districts Seniors Social Group Inc, 20 Ragamuffin Dr, Hallett Cove
Sun 6 12.30-4.30pm	Walk Right Back	Adelaide CM Club Inc. , The Brit Entertainment Centre , 11-15 Davis St, Wingfield S. A. 5103
Sun 6 11.30-4.30pm	Jukebox Boys with Gemma Tiller	Willaston CM Club , Gawler River Rd, Willaston
Sat 12 7.45pm	Meanwhile Back at Ranch	Gingers Vintage Lounge Bar , 109 Goodwood Rd, Goodwood
Sun 13 11am-4pm	AGM then Eddie Edwards and friends with guest Kiera Collins	Barossa CM Club , Nuriootpa Town Hall, Nuriootpa
Sun 14 12.30 - 5pm	Highway One	Southern CM Club , Marion RSL , 31-39 Norfolk Rd, Marion
Sun 20 12noon to 4pm	Palomino Deluxe	Playford CM Club , Uley Road Hall, Elizabeth Downs
Sun 20 11am-4pm	Walk Right Back Christmas in July	NCMA , Port Football and Community Sporting Club, Cnr. Esmond and Wandearah Roads, Port Pirie \$30pp Luncheon Bookings Essential No tickets at the door.
Sun 27 11am-4pm	Palomino Deluxe	Murray Bridge CM Club , Murray Bridge Imperial Football Club, Murray Bridge
Sun 27 1-5pm	Mac Brown	Kilburn RSL , 2 Way St, Kilburn

AUGUST 2025

Fri 1 1.30-4pm	Gary Stillwell - Back by popular demand Singer/Guitarist	Hallett Cove and Districts Seniors Social Group Inc, 20 Ragamuffin Dr, Hallett Cove
Sat 2 1pm	Crooked Road + tba Saturday Session	The Gov , 59 Port Road, Hindmarsh
Sun 3 12.30-4.30pm	AGM then Jukebox Boys	Adelaide CM Club Inc. , The Brit Entertainment Centre , 11-15 Davis St, Wingfield
Sun 3 11.30-4.30pm	Walk Right Back	Willaston CM Club , Gawler River Rd, Willaston
Sun 10 11am-4pm	Eddie Edwards & Friends plus Chooka Williams	Barossa CM Club , Nuriootpa Town Hall, Nuriootpa
Sun 10 12.30 - 5pm	Workin' Overtime plus Ruby Zoontjens	Southern CM Club , Marion RSL , 31-39 Norfolk Rd, Marion
Sun 10 1.30-4pm	Out of Order	NCMA , 28 Afford Rd, Port Pirie \$20pp
Mon 11 7pm	Profile Duo	Moonta Town Hall, Moonta
Sun 17 12noon to 4pm	Out of Order	Playford CM Club , Uley Road Hall, Elizabeth Downs
Fri 22 6-12pm	Green River Rock Doors open at 5pm	Kilburn RSL , 2 Way St, Kilburn Free Entry, Free Sausage sizzle
Sun 24 11am-4pm	Out of Order	Murray Bridge CM Club , Murray Bridge Imperial Football Club, Murray Bridge
Sun 31 1.30-4pm	Evan Platschinda	NCMA , 28 Afford Rd, Port Pirie \$15pp

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Playford Country Music Club Inc. is a Nonprofit organisation dedicated to the development of all styles of Country Music. The activities of the club include regular monthly meetings and shows, providing opportunity and encouragement to amateur artists: producing this Newsletter and showing support for all other South Australian Country Music Clubs.

General Committee Members

Karol Goodridge, Bernie James, Bob Huggins, Kevin Perry and Chris Scotland

Membership Fees are due in May each year

Annual Membership is \$10.00

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