

## About the Melbourne Scottish

### Fiddle Club -

by Judy Turner (Founder/ Director)

The Club is a group of fiddle fans meeting monthly to play tunes (old and new) from Scotland and the Scottish diaspora. It's a happy group, where everyone is encouraged and anything is possible. Kids as young as 8 and adults as old as 80 play together and have recorded 4 CDs: "Red Hot Scots" with great success at home and abroad; the fabulous "reel cool", featuring 35 fiddlers, a Tongan Choir and Eric Bogle; "A Long Way From Home" in 2006, with guests Chris Duncan, Jenny Thomas and Alex Legg; and now our stunning new "Gates of Gold", being released in December 2008. The atmosphere at the monthly meetings is always fun and the afternoon tea break gets longer and longer as people get to know each other better!

### Meeting details for 2008

- 🐕 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month  
from 2.00pm - 5.00pm
- 🐕 Tunes taught first by ear, then with music
- 🐕 Bring a small tape-recorder if you have one to assist memory of tunes
- 🐕 Bring something to share for afternoon tea
- 🐕 \$10 is charged for casuals - you get a CD to take away
- 🐕 Venue: St Aidan's Uniting Church,  
Duggan Street, North Balwyn,  
(Melbourne)

### Achievements to date

- 🐕 Touring for 2 fabulous weeks in New Zealand in September 2005
- 🐕 Releasing our 4 CDs: "Gates of Gold": 2008 "A Long Way From Home": 2006 "reel cool" (2002) and "red hot scots" (1999)
- 🐕 Getting over 100,000 downloads on mp3.com since 1999
- 🐕 Being played on radio shows like The Planet, Coodabeens, Derek Guille, Music Deli and Australia All Over
- 🐕 Appearing at major festivals including:  
*Port Fairy Folk Festival; Brunswick Music Festival; National Folk Festival Canberra; National Celtic Festival Portarlington, Melbourne Festival - Famous Spiegel tent.*
- 🐕 Organizing winter Scottish fiddling schools with the Canberra and Adelaide Scottish Fiddle groups
- 🐕 Developing the skills of our players by providing scholarships for them to attend workshops in Canberra, Tasmania and overseas, and by arranging workshops for members with visiting teachers including some of the world's best tutors
- 🐕 Fostering an interest in tune - writing by members and others through our annual Tune Writing Competition, held every December

## Contacting the Club

### For information:

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### For orders:

Sue Darby-O'Leary (CD/tune book sales)

1 Whalley St, Northcote, 3070

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### To add your details to our mailing list:

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### To advertise in our newsletter:

Ronald McCoy (editor)

Email: [rmccoy2@ocean.com.au](mailto:rmccoy2@ocean.com.au)

Or just come to one of our monthly meetings and see how things work - newcomers of any age are always made welcome.

## Order form

ITEM	No	\$
Gates of Gold		25
Gates of Gold		15
A Long Way From Home CD		25
Long Way From Home tune book		15
Club logo polo shirt		25
Reel Cool CD		25
Reel Cool tune book		15
Red Hot Scots tune book		15
Old club logo t-shirt		20
<i>Add Postage &amp; Packing</i>		
1 item		3
2 items		5
3 items		8
<b>Payment total this order</b>		

Please make out cheque or money order to  
Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club,  
c/o 1 Whalley St, Northcote, 3070

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address for delivery: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Gig plans for 2008\*

- ☒ March 20-24 - National Folk Festival - gigs in conjunction with National Folk Fellowship winner Ronald McCoy
- ☒ June - National Celtic Festival - in Portarlinton - small group
- ☒ July - 9 day tour of Tasmania - workshops and concerts
- ☒ August - Box Hill - concert
- ☒ August - recording of 4<sup>th</sup> CD
- ☒ September - concert at aged care centre in Booroondara
- ☒ October - concert at Tintern Grammar
- ☒ October - concert at aged care centre in Ashburton
- ☒ December 13<sup>th</sup> - launch of new CD at Hawthorn Town Hall - 2pm
- ☒ December 14<sup>th</sup> - tune writing competition and end of year lunch

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### Program

