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STOP PRESS

- Please note new time for this meeting only due to St Aidans double booking – apologies for the change
- NFF rehearsals have been going well – remember you had to come to a minimum of three to earn your spot on the team travelling to Canberra – last chance next week on 19th March
 - Membership fees were due last meeting- please cough up!
- Proposed change of date for the new CD recording to the first weekend in August – please keep it free!!!!

MARCH 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Monthly Meeting	16	Sun	5pm	8pm	St Aidans	NOTE ONCE ONLY TIME CHANGE!!!
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Festival (Easter)	20-24	National Folk Festival			Canberra	ALL WELCOME FAMILY TIX AVAILABLE

From Judy

Agenda for March 2008 meeting – Sunday 16 March

St Aidan's Uniting Church, Duggan Street North Balwyn

5.00pm – 6.30pm Canberra sets incl Rons songs – SEE BELOW

6.30pm – 7.00pm Break

7.00pm – 8.00pm Fiddle rally sets for NFF

BRING YOUR SHEET MUSIC!!!

MSFC website update

Still not working and the subject of much puzzlement - we now have four mega brains trying to solve the

problem and may end up having to buy a new domain name. Watch this space.

NFF update – first gig is at 4.30 Friday – please gather in the session bar from 2.30pm – be there by 3.30 at the latest!!! Last gig is on Monday at noon – the big one in the Budawang – this is Ron's concert, please do everything you can to stay for it.

First time at the NFF? Talk to Jean for registration and accommodation details. Remember it's COLD in the nation's capital at Easter so bring warm stuff for the nights – you will want to be out late in the session bar!

FULL LIST OF TUNES ON NEXT PAGE

Tune List for NFF

	SELECTED SETS FOR NFF	LEAD PERSON
1	Bonnie George Campbell & Collessie	Neil/Pete
2	Chris Duncan's Mansfield set - North Bridge from Edinburgh and Brumley Brae	Chris Duncan or Gus
3	Cunningham Set including Leaving Brittany	Hamish/Lachlan/Chris Duncan
4	Da Guisers March/Wedding Reel (ALWFH)	JT/Evan
5	Da new Rigged and Da other Ship	Chris Stout
6	Da Slockitt Light (RHS)	Natasha
7	Eriskay Love Lilt	Bec
8	Fiddles and Feet (ALWFH)	Gentiorum/Evan
9	From St Kilda to Kings Cross (Paul Kelly) (ALWH)	Neil & Pete
10	Glen Tilt and Franks Reel (ALWFH)	Jean & Shannon/Evan
11	Hamnataing and Baak Hi	Chris Stout
12	Jack's Jigs	Jack/Louise/Evan
13	Johnny/Hughie/Billy set	MATT
14	Pria's Mansfield Jig set	Gus
15	Reel of the 51st (RC)	JT/Evan
16	Ronald's Gaelic set w Callums Rd & Ms Thompson	Ronald
17	Shetland Set (ALWFH)	Gus/Judy/Chris Stout on Merryns
18	Teenagers set (RC)	Gentiorum
19	The Boatman	Bec
20	The Seagull (RC)	Gus
21	Welcome Willie Stuart	Eddi Reader

Scary list of players – its going to be a crush!

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| 1. Angela Nicholas | 23. Naomi Parker | 41. Eddi Reader |
| 2. Angus Downing | 24. Natasha Trinkle | 42. Gentiorum |
| 3. Athalie Brooks | 25. Neil Adam | |
| 4. Barbara Hannon | 26. Peter Dwyer | |
| 5. Bjorn Lemfors | 27. Rebecca Rigby | |
| 6. David Alleway | 28. Shannon O'Leary | |
| 7. Di Alleway | 29. Sirocha Bruckard | |
| 8. Evan Davies | 30. Steve Gilbert | |
| 9. Jean McConnachie | 31. Sue Darby-O'Leary | |
| 10. Jenny Newcombe | 32. Tom Loewe | |
| 11. Jess Solla | ALSO THERE | |
| 12. John Jones | 33. Jack Wilson | |
| 13. Judy Turner | 34. Claire Alleway | |
| 14. Kate O'Leary | 35. Ronald McCoy | |
| 15. Kim Parker | | |
| 16. Kristen Marriott | GUESTING | |
| 17. Louise Schwall-Kearney | 36. Chris Duncan | |
| 18. Matthew Robertson | 37. Bob McInnes | |
| 19. Melody O'Meara | 38. Sarah Davies | |
| 20. Michael Kilpatrick | 39. Lucy Wise | |
| 21. Michelle Herbison | 40. Chris Stout | |
| 22. Monica Hershburgh | | |

Tassie Update

MSFC Tassie tour update

Planning for the Tassie tour from 5-13 July is forging ahead full steam. Judy and I recently visited Hobart and firmed up gigs in Hobart, Franklin, Cygnet, and possibly a trip to Port Arthur.

We don't want to be drowned out by the mega rhythm section we're taking, so we need a good complement of fiddles to balance it out, BUT places are limited, so if you want to come on tour, what we need from you VERY SOON is a firm commitment, as we're already arranging accommodation and a few other things dependent on total numbers.

Our super-organised Treasurer, Louise, will be giving reminders soon for you to forward her a \$100 deposit to secure your place on the tour. You can also pay this at the next MSFC meeting.

Getting there and away: You are responsible for arranging your own travel. You need to get yourself to Launceston on Saturday 5 July by mid-late afternoon at the latest (we have a gig on the first night and need to do a sound check). Departure at the end of the tour is from Hobart on Sunday 13 July, any time you need to.

Some of us have already made airfare bookings and there are some alright fares out there, but they'll start to get booked up soon....don't leave it too late! (check out the Virginblue and Qantas websites).

Once you have booked, please send Louise your travel details so we know where everyone will be.

There will be some practices leading up to the tour – a lot of material that we've recently been doing that we do so well, plus a few things specific to some of the gigs we're arranging.

I encourage you to be part of this great fun week away. If you have any queries about the tour, and what we're planning to do, please come and have a chat to me at the next meeting.

Matt Robertson, Il Presidente

CD update

Alex Legg agrees to play with us

Pria agrees to arrange a set for us

Jack agrees to take on the young players group and arrange two sets - one MSFC originals set and one his own selection

Hugh McDonald agrees to record again – first weekend in August

Our MySpace — become a friend now!

<http://www.myspace.com/themelbournescottishfiddleclub>

Don't forget, we now have a MYSpace page- how Hip and Cool are we? Go there and make us your friend - tell your friends to make us their friends, too! Neil gets one or two messages a day from people who are interested in the famous MSFC.

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MSFC CLUB CONTACTS

The Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club (MSFC) meets at 2.00 PM on the third Sunday of the month at St Aidan's church hall in Duggan St, North Balwyn.

For more information contact:

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MSFC 2008 – March edition – second cut

MARCH 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Rehearsal NFF	5	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalies	SEE ABOVE
fyi only	7-10	Port Fairy Folk Festival				MSFC not playing
Rehearsal NFF	13	Thur	7pm	9pm	South Melb Community Hall – see above	Cnr Park St and Ferrars Place
Monthly Meeting	16	Sun	5pm	8pm	St Aidans	NOTE ONCE ONLY TIME CHANGE!!!
Rehearsal NFF	19	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalie's	SEE ABOVE
Festival (Easter)	20-24	National Folk Festival			Canberra	ALL WELCOME FAMILY TIX AVAILABLE

APRIL 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Session	6	Sun	2pm	5pm	?	ALL WELCOME
Boroondara concert - aged care facility	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc
Monthly Meeting	20	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME

MAY 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Rehearsal Celfest	14	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalie's	ALL WELCOME
Trip to Gippsland	17	Sat	tba	Sunday	HOLD FOR MAFFRA CONCERT & workshops	To be confirmed- subject to funding
Monthly Meeting	18	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidan's	ALL WELCOME
Rehearsal Celfest	29	Thur	7pm	9pm	South Melbourne	ALL WELCOME

JUNE 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Celtic Festival tbc	8	Sunday only	Port Arlington Celtic Festival		Portarlinton foreshore	Will be a one day affair this year
Monthly Meeting	15	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME
Tas rehearsal		Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalie's	Only Tas goers
Tas rehearsal		Thurs	7pm	9pm	South Melbourne	Only Tas goers

JULY 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Final Tassie rehearsal	2	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalies	Only Tassie goers
Non stop fun	5-13	TASMANIA TOUR			All over the island	
CD Rehearsal	18	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalie's	ALL WELCOME
Monthly Meeting	20	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME
CD Rehearsal	26	Thurs	7pm	9pm	South Melbourne	ALL WELCOME
CD Rehearsal	27	Sun	1pm	5pm	Athalie tbc	ALL WELCOME

AUGUST 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Recording Session	2-3	Sat-Sun	all day	both days	TBC	ALL WELCOME
Monthly Meeting	3	Sun	2pm	5pm	?	ALL WELCOME
Monthly Meeting	17	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME

SEPTEMBER 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Monthly Meeting	21	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME
Boroondara concert - aged care facility	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc

OCTOBER 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Boroondara concert - aged care facility	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc
Monthly Meeting	19	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME

NOVEMBER 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Session	2	Sun			?	
Monthly Meeting	16	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME

DECEMBER 08	Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Venue	Notes
Boite concert and CD launch	tbc	Sat	8pm	10pm	tbc	
Monthly Meeting	21	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans	ALL WELCOME