



Agenda for meeting - Sunday March 21st 2010

St Aidan's Uniting Church, Duggan Street North Balwyn

1.00pm - 2.00pm	Committee meeting - NSW update/Shetland update
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Young People
2.00pm - 3.30pm	New tunes learning - Chris Stone at the helm
3.30pm - 3.50pm	Famous arvo tea - bring something to share
3.50pm - 4.00pm	Announcements
4.00pm - 4.50pm	Review session - Judy to lead - focus on Reel Cool specifically Tracks One, Five and Six Go here for sheet music http://www.melbournescottishfiddlers.com/members/tunebooks/index.htm
4.50pm - 5.00pm	Helping with clean and pack up!

STOP THE PRESSES

1. The Year of the Next Generation begins with Chris Stone March meeting
2. Our Kew Gig with special guests the Davidson Brothers - please promote - circulate the attached flyer
3. Time to sign up for the NSW Tour - all the fun of the road - deposit due in April
4. Support our members at Brunswick this weekend!
5. Support our members at the tri-CD Launch on March 25th
6. New offers for our members - improve your skills- see below

Year of the Next Generation - by JT

Please make sure you show up and pay good attention this weekend to the marvellous Chris Stone, a great friend of the fiddle club since 2000ish, who recorded with us on Reel Cool and has been with us at many Nationals over the years, and who has been invited to accompany us on our NSW Tour in September 2010, AND most importantly of all who is a marvellous player and composer. If you weren't at Cygnet or at the Phillip Island Winery gig, then make sure you get along to their CD launch on 25 March to hear Chris in action with his trio members Holly Downes and Graham McLeod (to whom we owe a special debt of gratitude - see below). Chris is a thoughtful and intelligent student and this translates into thoughtful and intelligent teaching.!

Genticorum and Natalie Haas Workshops

Thanks go to the boys from Genticorum (a Latin word meaning maybe "nussing" or "of ze people") who delighted us with their tunes and their humour and their generosity this past week - dubbed "Genticorum week" by Judy Oleinikov. The cellists were extra lucky to have private lessons followed by a group workshop with the virtuosic cellist Natalie Haas who makes music with Alasdair Fraser as you all know, and who goes about with Yann from Genticorum. Thanks also to Pria for setting up the whole deal, to Louise Godwin who organised the venue and then (how cruel is fate?) missed her own lesson with Natalie, and to the O'Leary family who offered a billet to the entire band, including the most adorable 1 year old - son of Alex the flute player. The breadth of our interests is a great plus for members of the Club, and it was good to welcome some other players too, veterans of the recent Celtic Music camp over summer, where Pria and Sarah won a swag of new fans teaching their North American class.



Phillip Island Concert courtesy of Doug

Fiddle of Gold Concert- April 17 at the Renaissance Theatre Kew

This we hope will be a big concert and your committee has taken the unprecedented step of seeking out a PR professional to help us promote both it and the recent awards, with the broader aim of raising awareness about the group in our home town. We are hoping to get some editorial coverage in one or both of the major dailies, as well as more interest from radio. But as you all know the most powerful form of promotion is WORD OF MOUTH - this is never more true than in an age of information clutter such as we inhabit now.



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.....So - here's where YOU come in - please do promote. Please do circulate the flyer attached here. Please ask all your Facebook friends. Please send a group message to whoever - probably your aunty and your grandma, sand all your cousins. We need a BIG crowd so we can raise LOTS of dosh to help fund our FANTASTIC tour of regional NSW.

NSW Tour

See the attachment kindly provided by Louise SK - she speaks the truth - our tours have both been fantastic fun - great times together and great chance to solidify your skills and our sets, in time to possibly record a new CD at the end of the year - just an idea at this stage, we will need to be able to afford it as well as the tour. Our good friends Jonesy and Susan will be joining us, as well as the lovely Sarah Davies, Chris Stone and (TBC) amazing dancer Davvyd McDonald. In Bundanoon we will definitely have the pleasure of Bob McInnes company, and in Newcastle Chris Duncan and Catherine Strutt will share the stage with us. Its going to be a spectacular ten days, so DIARIZE NOW!

Please view NSW Tour flyer attached



Philip Island Concert courtesy of Doug

New stuff for getting better at what we do!

In 2010 Pria will be convening and co-ordinating regular cello hangs - they will organise

In 2010 Ath will be co-ordinating and Neil will be corralling regular rhythm section rehearsals - they will organise

In 2010 Judy will be offering extra violin skills sessions - check the calendar and sign up

In 2020 - this is not new - Jack will be convening the Young Peoples Group - let him know

You will be asked to sign up on Survey Monkey!



Philip Island Concert courtesy of Doug

NESSIE

North East Scottish Strings
including Elbow Pipes

Nessie meet on the 2nd Sunday of every month. So if you're in the area, drop in and join in the fun!

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String Theory, Squeebz and The String Contingent CD launch in Melbourne, 25th March

Dear friends,
String Theory (Groovy Applachian band with Pria Schwall-Kearney, Lucy Wise, Evan Davies & Claire Alleway),
Squeebz (Trendy Trad. Tunes with Kit Joyce, Evan Davies, Declan Simpson & Jack Wilson) and
The String Contingent (Crazy tunes & compositions with Chris Stone, Holly Downs & Graham McCloud) are launching their respective NEW CDs on Thursday March 25th at the Northcote Uniting Church. We would all very much like you to attend.
Please see the attached poster for more information.

Hope to see you there, Love from String Theory, Squeebz & The String Contingent.

PS There will be home-made cake for supper!!!

Judy O
(Please see flyer attached)



MSFC CLUB CONTACTS

The Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club (MSFC) meets at 2.00 PM on the 3rd Sunday of the month at:

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MAR	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	21	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
Practice for Kew	31	Wed	7 pm	9 pm	Athalies
APR	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
NFF	2-5	all weekend			Canberra
Practice for Kew	7	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalies
Skills session	11	Sun	2pm	5pm	Judy
Practice for Kew	15	Thurs	7pm	9pm	East Kew
Golden Fiddles Gig	17	Sat	all	day	Renaissance Theatre Kew
Monthly Meeting	18	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
MAY	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Practice for Celfest	5	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalies
Monthly Meeting	16	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
Practice for Celfest	27	Thurs	7pm	9pm	East Kew
JUN	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Practice for Celfest	2	Wed	7pm	9pm	Athalies
Gig	11 - 14	CELTIC FESTIVAL PORT ARLINGTON			
Monthly Meeting	20	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
					practices below here tba later
JUL	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	18	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
AUG	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	15	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
SEP	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	19	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
24th Sep to 3rd Oct	NEW SOUTH WALES TOUR				
OCT	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
1-3 OCT FINISH NSW TOUR	(NSW Tour)				
Monthly Meeting	17	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
NOV	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	21	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
DEC	Date	Day	Starts	Ends	Venue
Monthly Meeting	19	Sun	2 pm	5 pm	St Aidans
TBC	27-28	CLIFF FESTIVAL			Queenscliff FestivalGig

