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*Newsletter of  
The Country Music Association of Canberra Inc*

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## **2019 COMMITTEE**

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**NEXT WALK-UP SUNDAY 1st March 2020**  
**WALK-UP START TIME 1.30pm**  
***Feature Artist: Jeremy Brown***  
**CANBERRA IRISH CLUB**  
**6 Parkinson Street, WESTON**  
**For more information contact Laraine on 0412 681923**

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## Presidents Report

Dear CMAC Members

This Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> marks our second walk up for the year. Last year and the beginning of 2020 have been turbulent times for Australia with large sections of the country devastated by ferocious, unprecedented bushfires which left Canberra threatened but not damaged.

The nation's capital did however suffer weeks of heavy smoke cover that made life in Canberra unpleasant for everyone. The fires were followed by heavy rains that greatly assisted with controlling or extinguishing the bushfires, but left large areas flooded and for many damage to their homes and vehicles. So it has been an interesting start to the year.

On Sunday we can forget, for a while, the fires, floods and droughts by coming to the walk-up and being entertained by CMAC members and guests.

If last walk-up was a barometer to judge by then CMAC is in for a great year, the club has some excellent artists as well as from time to time guest artists for your entertainment and appreciation.

I feel that 2020 will be a big year for CMAC and with your help it all starts this Sunday at the walk-up. I look forward to seeing you there

Yours in Country Music

Peter Seal  
President  
CMAC (Inc)

# Social Directors Report

Hi Members and Friends,

Well 2020 here we come ! I have to confess I was a bit concerned just how the February walkup would pan out, as it was the last day of the Bungendore Muster so I thought maybe a number of country music inclined people would go there to listen, but I was wrong, we had a great roll up, so thanks to all who came, it was so good.

I must start off by thanking a few of people, firstly Laraine, our Treasurer, who has had a rough couple of months which has been very hard for her; when one has good health for a number of months, and you're suddenly faced with not so good of health, it's hard to cope with, but, to her credit, she is a fighter and I'm sure she'll overcome the problem she has with her legs and back, as the saying goes, old age is a curse, but keep on keeping on, and you'll come out on top, for sure, so thanks for everything you've done for CMAC while not in the best of health.

Also to Sox, one of our committee members, who has done a great job on the Trailer, cleaning it up, sanding and painting it, then sold it, which was a big job, so thanks Sox.

And last of all for the thanking in this report, is to our Vice President Dene, who has become a great asset to CMAC, I'm just so glad we found him and his lovely partner Meryl, the endless work he does in advertising, contacting new people, urging them to come along, setting up the gear, and making us all sound so good, putting CMAC before his own needs, coming up with new ideas to benefit the club, backing so many of us on stage, and doing such a great job, (I think I'd better stop now or his head might explode) anyway Dene a big Thank you.

Right, with that out of the way, February Walk up, it was a good day, lots of people turned up to sing, and lots came to listen, the artists were,  
1/ Bridgette Heyer, this was Bridgette's first visit to the club, she comes from Bungendore, and was well received, her songs were so good, hope she comes back.  
2/ Dene Burton, our hard worker, did the sound for us, backed others on the stage as well.  
3/ Keith Brodie, was good to see him back, keep it up Keith, well done.  
4/ Campbell, well done Campbell sings by himself.  
5/ Bev, (me) with help from Laraine, good to see her come along, also Dene it was so good, the singer I mean Ha Ha.  
6/ Kate & Paul, who are "Poetry in Motion" look them up on face book they perform at various places.

7/ Alec Beckett, Alec was passing through visiting friends, so thought he'd drop in and sing a couple of songs, which was much appreciated, he goes all over Australia performing has a few albums out, a very nice voice.

8/ Jessica Ferris, this lass is so good, loves singing, has been up to Tamworth to the Junior Academy there, and the sky is the limit, well maybe a little exaggerated but she will do well, I'm sure.

9/ Mike Morrissey, another committee member, doing his own thing which is pretty damn good, on his keyboard.

10/ Adam & Chris, Adam always tries hard, with poetry that he sometimes writes, Chris backs him with the Harmonica.

11/ Chris (I'm not sure how to spell his last name) so I call him, our one- man band, he plays the Guitar, Harmonica, sings, has a tambourine on his foot and his parody songs are so good, very enjoyable.

12/ Charlie, there can only be one Charlie let me tell you, he sings dinky dye Aussie songs, and you always enjoy his performance.

13/ Peter Wardrop lucky last, Peter's songs are very short and quick, he's no sooner on the stage and he's off, Peter you need to lengthen your songs repeat the chorus or sing the song through again to make them a bit longer, ok.

I have to mention our M/C for the night who was Meryl, (as Dawne was still away), so Thank you Meryl.

Now the raffles, thanks Judy for selling the tickets, and the winners who are gridders, are, 1<sup>st</sup> Laraine, 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Alec, 4<sup>th</sup> Paul, congrats all.

A great day was had by all, enjoyed by all, so let's hope you all come along next month, speaking of next month, this is quite a sore point, for some of the committee members because, at this stage we are not sure what day it will be all sorted out and it **Will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March**, which is the Sunday, so until then,

Keep safe, keep well, and keep it country.

Bye all Bev.

## **REGULAR MUSICAL FUNCTIONS HELD IN THE AREA**

### **JAMMALONG IN CANBERRA**

**Michael and Dianne Porter** host the regular monthly 'Jammalong in Canberra' and support the work of reclaiming public parks for acoustic music.

**From midday on the second Saturday of each month till we have had enough. Under the Pergola in the park beside Enid Lyons Street.** Situated on the lake side of the Questacon Building is a public park with BBQ facilities under a large pergola. There is a public toilet with disabled access and ample parking for cars nearby. Website [parkmusic@weeby.com](mailto:parkmusic@weeby.com) or Phone Michael & Dianne 6257 7397

**JAMMALONG is also at "Up Opping Second Hand Clothing"** 82-88 Limestone Avenue from 10.00am to 2.00pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month. Homemade refreshments available for sale

### **Goulburn Country Music Association**

Monthly walk-up on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday month at the Goulburn Starting at 11.00am Ph Loz 0427 484 448  
For more details

### **Eurobodalla Country Music & Social Club Inc**

Monthly walk-up on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at Mechanics Institute Hall, Braidwood St. Nelligen starting at 11.00am  
Phone Brain Coulton 0497-278 433

### **THE MURRUMBATAMAN ACOUSTIC CLUB**

"The Murrumbateman Acoustic Club meets at the Murrumbateman Inn (about 30 minutes drive from Canberra) on the last Sunday of each month except December. The first act commences at 6:00pm EST during the warmer months and 5:00pm during Daylight Saving Time. The format is a straight forward using a white board where artists place their name and walk up and perform when introduced. Musicians, singers and poets are all welcome. Performers of all levels are made very welcome by the enthusiastic audience. The Murrumbateman Inn provides a relaxing atmosphere and great meals are available from the Bistro."

You can contact Wal Brewer on 0407 591 630

## AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY DIARY

Listen to Mike Crozier's *Australian Country* on Saturday mornings between 8.00am and 12.00 noon on Tuggeranong's Valley FM 89.5, & streaming via [www.valleyfm.com](http://www.valleyfm.com) when Mike will bring you information on what is happening in Canberra and the surrounding area. If you have a request, email Mike on [eagle@crozier.com.au](mailto:eagle@crozier.com.au) .

### Friday February 28

The Wolfe Brothers on their *No Sad Song Australian Tour 2019* are at the Harmonie German Club Narrabundah. See the website [www.harmonieclub.com.au](http://www.harmonieclub.com.au) for more details.

### Friday March 6

Felicity Urquhart & Brad Butcher at the Harmonie German Club Narrabundah from 7.00pm.

### Saturday March 21

John Williamson is at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Woden. 6.00pm sit-down for dinner & show, 8.00pm Show. Contact Club for tickets & more information.

### Sunday March 29

Cherry Capital Country Music Association Walk-up is at the Grenfell Country Club from 1.00pm. Cost \$5.00, under 18 (if supervised) free. Walk-up artists welcome, backing band available. Lunch from 12.00 noon. Enquiries to Kerry on 0412 554 802.

### Wednesday April 1

Charlie Landsborough is at the Young Services Club commencing at 8.00pm.

### Saturday April 4

Charlie Landsborough is at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Woden. Sit-down dinner 12.00 noon, Show commences 2.00pm. Contact the Club for tickets and details.

Capo Creek Guitars & Vocals at the Beyond Q Books Bar & Barista Weston from 4.00pm.

Jason Owen & Hayley Jensen, touring together for the first time & celebrating the greats of Country Music, are at the Canberra Southern Cross Club. 6.00pm sit-down for the dinner & show. 8.00pm for show commencement. Contact the Club for tickets & details.

### CMAC KARAOKE COUNTRY

A night of Country Karaoke brought to you by CMAC, Big Jester Productions & the Canberra Irish Club. This is going to be a fun night, singing your favourite country songs ... where better (other than in your shower !). Bring your friends and have a great time ! \$5.00 tickets via Trybooking or at the door. 7:30pm - 9:30pm

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