

BUSH TRADITIONS GATHERING Programme Outline

	Time	Maltings	Cooperage	Mill
Saturday 29th September	9-10		Harry Gardner Tunes from Nariel Creek	Alan Musgrove & No Such Thing Dance tunes workshop
	10-11	Sing Out Singing session with John Daly	Keith Brown & Mates Yarns and Songs from the Railway	
	11-12		Just Whistles with Don Brian, Peter Ellis, & Bob Bolton	Sally Leslie with Alan Musgrove & No Such Thing Dance workshop
	12-1	Goulburn Brewery Session Local tunes and favourite songs with the group that meets here once a month		Peter Ellis & Jim Moir BOOK LAUNCH Dance tunes workshop
	1-2		Bob McInnes Fantastic Fiddle Frolics	
	2-3		Dennis O'Keefe "What's Left of Your Rights at Work" - Songs about Aust working conditions	Peter Ellis & Jim Moir Dance workshop
	3-4	Sing Out Singing session with Alan Musgrove	Dave de Hugard Stan Treacy - the Man and his Music	
	4-5			Great Aust Goldrush Show (GAGS) Rehearsal 1 - A loosely scripted and acted romp in the goldfields Volunteers needed!!
	5-6	Just Accordions with Peter Ellis & Gary Lovejoy		
	8-12	Blackboard Concert See Bill to add your name. All welcome.	Singing Circle with Don Brian (coord)	Bush Dance Sally Leslie with No Such Thing Peter Ellis & Jim Moir & Co

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Sunday 30th September	9-10		Just Fiddles with Greg O'Leary et al	
	10-11	Jeff Lawrie Tunes of Bruce Smith (for reeds)	Julie Castles Tunes of Bruce Smith (for non reeds)	Ray Mulligan & Settlers Dance tunes workshop
	11-12	Sing Out Singing session with Helen & Tony Romeo & Chris Poleson	Don Brian Broadside Ballads	Claire Stoneman with Ray Mulligan & Settlers Dance workshop
	12-1		Just Concertinas with Peter Ellis & Gary Lovejoy	Jim Moir Dance tunes workshop
	1-2	Poets Lunch (MC Tony and Helen Romeo)	Mark Gregory Union Songs	
	2-3	Greg O'Leary "Pushing the Envelope" tunes workshop	Education Forum Getting the message across to educators.... Sue Brian (coordinator)	Sandra Martens with Jim Moir & Co Dance workshop
	3-4	Sing Out Singing session with Dennis O'Keefe	Backblocks Collected Tunes Workshop	
	4-5		Dave Johnson Bush Ballads of Guy Eden (pub 1906)	
	5-6			Great Aust Goldrush Show (GAGS) Rehearsal 2 - A loosely scripted and acted romp in the goldfields
	8-12	Blackboard Concert See Bill to add your name. All welcome.	Singing Circle with Sandra Nixon (coord)	BUSH BALL Claire Stoneman with Mulligan & Settlers Sandra Martens with Jim Moir & Co

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Monday 1st October	9-10	Just Concertinas with Stuart Leslie & Bob Bolton	Alan Musgrove Irregular tunes to baffle dancers	
	10-11	Sing Out Singing session with BMC Concert Party	Julie Castles & Jeff Lawrie Bruce Smith Tunes followup	Maypole Dance with John Carroll Workshop and rehearsal
	11-12		Dave de Hugard & Greg O'Leary Terra Incognito	
	12-1	Just Accordions with Jim Moir, Davd de Hugard & Ray Mulligan	Just Banjos Things that go plunk in the Night with Peter McLaren, Chris Poleson	
	1-2	Poets Lunch (MC Keith Brown)		Maypole Dance with John Carroll Demonstration (in Carpark or in Courtyard)
	2-3.30	Great Aust Goldrush Show (GAGS) Performance - After days (2) of intense rehearsal - this is it !!!		Tea Dance Volunteer Callers and Musos Programme of requests
	3.30-4	Feedback Forum in the Courtyard Your ideas for next year please....		
	4-....	Cleanupall assistance gratefully accepted see Bill, Ray, Dave or Don		

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Instrument workshops/ sessions

These are programmed as **Just Fiddles**, **Just Banjos**, etc with the aim of allowing players of the particular instrument to get together to share tunes, techniques, styles, etc. If you play an instrument at whatever level bring it along. You will be encouraged to join in.

Sing Out

These sessions are on every day with different coordinators. They provide opportunity for one and all to lead a song, request a song or sing along. The focus is on songs that are a part of our tradition, or that extend that tradition.

Education Forum

Requested by last year's feedback. How do we get the message out there? Bring your ideas and enthusiasm.

From Dance Tunes to a Dance or Ball

The flow allows players (of all standards) learn/play the tunes in a tune workshop, then translate this to playing the same music for a dance workshop while dancers learn their steps. Then in the evening the well rehearsed musicians can lead their practised music at the dance.

Dance callers over the weekend include Peter Ellis (Bendigo), Claire Stoneman (Canberra), Sandra Martens (Bungendore), Sally Leslie (Nowra), and Don Richmond (Sydney).

The Great Australian Goldrush Show (GAGS)

This is a playful romp in the goldfields with the songs of Charles Thatcher and his merry troupe. There are quite a few songs and poems loosely connected with dialogue to be read /acted. Come along and join in. There are two rehearsals scheduled and one performance with music and words provided. The music is available in advance as a pdf download from www.david.johnson.id.au.

The Contributors

Dave de Hugarid is venturing up from Victoria to present bush songs and tunes with his unique polished ease.

Harry Gardner, a mainstay of the Victorian Folk Music Society, brings some of the collected tunes from Nariel.

Bob McInnes, one of the original Wild Colonial Boys, is an exceptional fiddler and singer from the wilds of Robertson.

Jim Moir brings an accordion-ful of tunes to share (especially by ear) from his wide travels.

Ray Mulligan, apart from being a key organiser of the weekend, plays a mean button accordion.

Dave Johnson is keen to share his interest in the bush ballads of a lesser known poet, Guy Eden. As well he will crack the whip for the Great Australian Goldrush Show.

Peter McLaren is an accomplished Goulburn muso, veteran of several bands and leader of a regular session at the Brewery.

Peter Ellis brings both musical and dance expertise from his home area of Bendigo.

Alan Musgrove leads the Illawarra contingent with some fine dance tunes including some that he has collected himself.

Julie Castles and Jeff Lawrie are travelling down from beyond Newcastle to share their enjoyment of Bill Smith's tunes.

Dennis O'Keefe from Melbourne, maintains the bush traditions and carries union protest song forward as well.

The Bush Music Club brings a Concert Party group to share a range of lesser known bush songs.

Helen & Tony Romeo bring a wealth of bushmusic experience having played in Southern Cross for over 20 years.

John Carroll wants to encourage the maypole dancing he witnessed as a schoolchild, just for the fun of it.