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"Donnybrook Dancing"

JULY 2025 NEWSLETTER





On Sunday 1st June 2025, *Willaston Country Music Club* had a triple treat for patrons. **The Hoffmann Duo** from Hamilton, Vic, featuring husband and wife **David and Heather**, were first on stage, entertaining the crowd with their diverse yet popular melodic songs.

Joe Musico, also from Victoria (Warnambool), was next up, again choosing popular songs to the delight of patrons.

Jamie Agius stepped up for the third bracket of music, performing a tribute to **Elvis Presley**. The sparkly white jumpsuit and **Elvis** wig had him looking and singing like "**The King**". For later brackets, he performed as himself, with some good Country music.

Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the mix of music and artists.

Our lovely **June Sparks** halted the show for her grand exit, which brought about a cheer and stir from patrons. She's a real show stopper! Love you **June**!!









~ ~ ~ AROUND THE CLUBS ~ ~ ~



Southern CMC welcomed **Eddie Edwards and Friends** on Sunday 8th June.



The crowd was down a bit as it clashed with the Riverland Festival, however, the band was at their very best.

Eddie's wife, **Darrell**, couldn't be in the band due to ill health.

The band kept everyone dancing all day with their fantastic songs and music. It was a cold day but Marion RSL Club has excellent heating. There was a friendly atmosphere all day and Anthony produced a magnificent food menu for everyone to enjoy.

(Thanks to **Sandy Smallacombe** for the report and **Robert Chapman** for the photo)

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**Barossa CMC** in Nuriootpa hosted **Palomino Deluxe** on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

This popular band, with a good following, played a great mix of music to the delight of the crowd.

(Thanks to **Elaine Guymer** for the report and photo)



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*Murray Bridge CMC* hosted Workin' Overtime and Graeme Hugo on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025

"What a wonderful day we had at Murray Bridge country music! Over 150 people from other clubs and from all over the state ,some travelling for 2-3 hours to attend. The draw cards of course were **Graeme Hugo** just back from his overseas trip and very professional "**Workin' Overtime"** 

**Graeme** gave his traditional well loved country music selection and the band played a selection, some of which were from a playlist produced from a survey of members favourites.

The dance floor was full with standing room only most of the time!!

Our signature dance and lucky spot filled the floor with participants dancing "The River Waltz" which can be a singles line dance or as couples. It can be learnt by googling "The River Waltz" on YouTube. Look it up and come along and join in the fun.

(Thanks to **Gloria Neindorf** for the report and photo.)

## ~ ~ ~ JUNE WINNERS AND SPONSORS ~ ~ ~



Kelvin Wong
plus
Joy de Kort and Jim
Pickering

**Cash** Winners of the Lucky Envelopes.





Membership draw winner **Lyall Dunn** won a voucher from **Café Sia** 



Door prize winner
Judy Doecke won
a voucher from
Café Nova



Birthday prize winner was **Earlston Gniel** who won a **Coffee & Co** voucher





Winners

Kerry Dellar &

Michael Zacharko with
their Mettwurst from
Lyndoch Fine Foods

**Spin The Bottle** 

#### ~ ~ ~ RAY'S CORNER ~ ~ ~



#### Farmers Wanted

Had an unusual email recently from the producers of *The Farmer Want a Wife* television series.

They are looking for entries for their next series of shows and are approaching us as a community club to spread the word.

To quote from their email:

**`Farmer Wants a Wife'** is currently in the **Final Stages** searching for single farmers across Australia for season 16. Many of whom love music and performing if they ever get a spare moment from working on their farms.

The stats don't lie – this show works!

11 Aussie farmers have found a wife, 9 more have found long term love and 27 babies have been born.

To apply farmers can go to <a href="https://farmerwantsawife.com.au/">https://farmerwantsawife.com.au/</a> or dob in a mate at: <a href="mailto:farmerwantsawife@eurekaproductions.au">farmerwantsawife@eurekaproductions.au</a>

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Who will our new President be? ....... Is it you? Asking people to think seriously about helping the club by taking up this position.



# Drakes Community Dollars Programme



Are you helping us raise money through the **Drakes Community Dollars Programme** run by **Drakes Supermarkets?** 

We receive one cent for every two dollars spent at any **Drakes** supermarket.

You can still use your fob at the checkout if you've got one, though they are now preferring you use their app.

Download the app from here: <a href="https://drakes.com.au/mydrakes-app/">https://drakes.com.au/mydrakes-app/</a>

Make sure to fill in your Settings properly. (It can be a bit tedious getting your birthday, but persist.) Also make sure you complete the Community Dollars link to us: *Willaston Country Music Club*. While 0.5% may not seem like a lot, it adds up fairly quickly. We are receiving a few hundred dollars a year so far, so let's boost that up.

A big thank you to the **Drakes** organisation for this program. As you will see, it benefits a very large number of community groups, clubs and organisations.

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#### Kitchen News



Want something a bit different? Wraps are now available on request. You can order them instead of sandwiches, or as a meal in themselves. Healthy stuff. Good for you too.

You may have noticed that the kitchen gets very busy at lunch time. We appreciate your patience, especially when the ordering queue gets a bit long. Because it gets so busy sometimes requests for meals to be ready at specific times may not always be possible.

And take a moment to thank all those volunteers for their efforts.

### ~ ~ ~ WHAT'S NEW? ~ ~ ~

Some of that wet stuff called Rain. Yay!! Happier farmers. Rain water tanks slowly being filled. Happier gardeners. And fantastic to settle the dust everywhere. Yes, sometimes it is inconvenient when it rains, but we have to look at the big picture & count our blessings. We still need a lot more yet so let's hope it keeps coming.



~ ~ ~ *MEDIA* ~ ~ ~

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