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Blue Tango Acoustic Duo

Sun 3rd July 2022 7.30pm Tyers Hall, Tyers



Blue Tango is an acoustic duo specialising in jazz-flavoured golden-age pop songs, jazz standards, blues and latin, with the occasional comedy song or parody thrown in for good measure!

They are clearly a part of the retro-chic 'American Songbook' genre of performers, such as Michael Buble and Diana Krall.

Lynne Gough is a singer and singing teacher of wide professional experience, including the Channel Nine Singers, when live variety shows like 'In Melbourne Tonight' ruled the airwaves. Dave Richard is a guitarist and singer, with a career stretching back to the folk and jazz coffee lounges of the sixties.

Blue Tango are regulars on the Jazz Festival Circuit – Grampians, Inverloch, Merimbula, Marysville in particular.

They also have a number of theme concerts: Great Songs of the Thirties, Great Songs of the Forties, Great Songs of the Fifties, Great Songs of the Sixties, The Great Songwriters (all of these contain interesting period trivia they have selected).

"...Wonderful genuine entertainers. A professional class act with a great repertoire... always appreciated by audiences..."
Barrie Boyes, Musical Director
Australian Jazz Museum

***Please be mindful that it will be a well-ventilated hall, so bring a jacket or blanket**

Support Act: "Big Boom Bang" (Steve Schulz & friends)

Entry: \$20 adult, \$15 member/ concession, under 18 free

Tea/coffee & Supper will be available (with Covid safe arrangements).
Bring a plate of supper to share, and your coffee mug.



Upcoming GAMC Events:

- ♪ Weds 6th July: Committee meeting at Nola & Neil's.
- ♪ Gippsapella Rehearsals: 20th & 27th July & 3rd August at new Traralgon venue. See below.
- ♪ Sat (not a Sunday) 6th August Clubnight: Polly Christie
- ♪ Sat 13th August: Acapella Festival. See below.
- ♪ Sun 4th Sept Clubnight: Rich Davies trio
- ♪ Sun 2nd Oct Clubnight: "Charm of Finches"
- ♪ Sat 15th Oct: **"Spruik the Uke" Festival. Save the date. Details to come!**

MORE "GIPPSAPELLA" SINGING OPPORTUNITIES

You may have missed the recent opportunity to be involved in GAMC's acapella group "Gippsapella" when they performed at the big GAMC 40th party.....but don't despair!

"Gippsapella" will be recommencing again in preparation for our Acapella Festival (Sat 13th August) and as support act on our August clubnight (Sat 6th Aug) featuring Polly Christie.

This will be led by experienced singing leader Rhonda Newton. Many of you will have met Rhonda at our June rehearsals and have seen her on stage before, as she's been very involved in a number of community choirs.

Everyone is welcome, but you are required to be a GAMC member (which can be arranged at the 1st rehearsal for those not yet members, or needing to renew membership)

Rhonda plans to practice some of the songs performed in June (as arranged by Lyndal and Strat), and also incorporate a new song or two to the repertoire.

Rehearsal dates: Wednesdays 7pm - 8.30pm on July 20th, 27th and August 3rd

New Venue: Latrobe Valley Masonic Centre Oswald St, Traralgon (up the hill behind Latrobe Valley Funeral Services).

Cost: \$20 + GAMC membership cost (if not already a member)

Anyone interested in participating should simply turn up to rehearsals.

Contact Joan Griffiths on 0408 747 882 for further info.



24th ACAPELLA FESTIVAL

Sat 13th Aug 2022 Tyers Hall, Main Rd Tyers

WORKSHOP \$25 (includes evening concert) **EVENING CONCERT AUDIENCE ENTRY \$15**

Under 18 years of age - **FREE entry** to both workshop and concert

PROGRAM (join for all of part of the day)

2.30pm Doors open for registration

3- 5.30pm **Singing workshop** led by Barb McFarlane (of "VoKallista") & friends

5.30- 7pm Meal break. Food available by Ann-Marie and Andy (small fee)

7pm Concert featuring Gippsland singing groups & workshop participants (for those wishing to perform)

Stay tuned for more info in the next newsletter, or contact Joan Griffiths 0408 747 882

GAMC's 40th CELEBRATIONS (5th June)

What a great day it was! Thanks to everybody who was in some way involved in the event. We had a number of apologies too. Here are just some of the pics taken on the day.



If you were at the 40th celebrations, and you can write a good story, then read on. We need a story teller.



GAMCs' 40-year history is a great story that needs to be told to a broader audience.

The "Trad&now" magazine editor has encouraged GAMC to submit an article with advice to "just tell it like a story from the beginning and add some pics and we'll take it from there."

Check out their website: www.TradandNow.com



How can you help?

The committee is looking for someone to write this article. We have many resources to simplify the task, including a great collection of photos and the full set of newsletters, so all the club milestones and relevant dates are at hand. Trad&now have offered to format the content into the finished article.

Expressions of interest are invited please, from someone, or a group of members, offering to donate some time to tell our story in their words. Please email your thoughts and ideas as an expression of interest for an article to: Gamc30@gmail.com

If you wish to discuss this before you commit, please contact Barry Stuckey on ph 0429 966 130 or email stuck.cal@gmail.com This is a great opportunity so please respond by 5pm July 6,2022

GAMC Jam Sessions

The GAMC Jam sessions are fortnightly on the 2nd and 4th Saturday mornings of each month. They run from **10.00am - 12.00pm**. You can stay for 10 mins, 30 mins or the full session - the sessions are fluid and relaxed.

Location: Sessions will be held in Traralgon in the new building at the **Latrobe Valley Masonic Centre** Oswald St, Traralgon (up the hill behind Latrobe Valley Funeral Services).

Participants are encouraged to bring along one or two songs to share, providing up to 10 copies so that everyone can join in. Cost is **\$2.00** each session.

If you are interested in coming along, contact Di 0428 742 481 for further information.

Events Further Afield:

- ♪ Weds 22nd June (and continuing every 2nd Weds) from 12:30 to 2:30pm: Grand Ridge Music Jam (formerly Mirboo Music Jam) at Old Grain Store in Mirboo North & led by various group members. All instruments and/or voice & all ages & experience levels welcome. No cost. There are apparently great scones too...and a heated Old Grain Store! Further info: see Mirboo Music Facebook page, or post on GAMC facebook page or contact Peter McCarthy 0417060566 or petermcc@outlook.com

GAMC-ers "Mollimór" have performed on numerous occasions at our club, most recently in May. Now they're performing again in Ireland. It's worth reading this entire "Westmeath Examiner" article on <https://www.westmeathexaminer.ie/2022/06/12/mullingar-man-returns-from-australia-to-perform-at-fleadh-cheoil-with-his-band-mollimor/>

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Mollimór, including Mullingar native, Frank O'Dowd (left) Kate Haines and Ben Sim.

Mullingar man returns from Australia to perform at Fleadh Cheoil with his band Mollimór

Sarah Slevin

A Mullingar musician who has gone from growing up in Ginnell Terrace, Mullingar to playing music in Traralgon, Australia, returns with his band to perform at this year's Fleadh Cheoil.