

# THE BLUE NOTE

The Official Newsletter of the Launceston Blues Club

May 2017

## Some dates for your diary:

**Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Brad Gillies Blues**

Royal Oak Hotel – Bar 9pm

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**Ash Grunwald**

Royal Oak Hotel – Boatshed 9pm

Tickets Online (see poster)

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**LBC General Committee Meeting**

7.30pm upstairs at the Royal Oak

All financial members welcome

**Sat 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**The Embers + The Bad Dad Orchestra**

Royal Oak Hotel 9pm \$10

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Daniel Champagne**

Royal Oak Hotel 9pm \$15

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**The Dead Maggies**

Royal Oak Hotel

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

**Annual Oatlands Jam with HBC**

Oatlands RSL – see inside for other info

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Launceston Competitions – Blues Awards Sponsored by the LBC**

Newstead College approx. 6pm TBA

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**LBC Jam** Free entry

1- 4 pm at the Royal Oak Hotel

All welcome BYO Instrument(s)



**More gigs also listed inside this newsletter**

## ABOUT THE LAUNCESTON BLUES CLUB

The Launceston Blues Club is a non-profit organisation run by volunteers whose sole aim is to promote and present Blues and Roots music to the music lovers of Launceston.

LBC Committee meetings are held on 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm, upstairs at the Royal Oak Hotel. All financial members welcome.

The club also runs a Jam Day on the last Sunday of the month, 1pm-4pm, at the Royal Oak Hotel, for those who wish to gain stage experience, as well as the opportunity to play with musicians of varying levels. We encourage musicians of all ages and accomplishment to attend. Audiences greatly appreciated.

LBC membership entitles the holder to a monthly newsletter and discounts at participating businesses. Corporate members can also advertise their services through the Blue Note.

### LBC CONTACT INFORMATION:

Email: [launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto:launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au)

<https://www.facebook.com/Launceston.Blues.Club>

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### Newsletter items – we would welcome your contribution

Articles from our members are invited and most welcome. These may be in the form of comments, letters, profiles, CD reviews, concert or gig reviews, interviews or news items.

All articles, including details of upcoming gigs should be received no later than the **25th** of the month. Please send to

[launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto:launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au)

The views expressed within the Blue Note are not necessarily those of the LBC, committee members or the editor.

**\*\*LBC Blue Note Committee reserves the right to decide what of any contribution is or is not published.**

### The following businesses provide discounts to Launceston Blues Club members upon sighting of current membership card

Royal Oak Hotel – 20% off main meal at ALL times

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other services negotiable

Heals & Souls Dance World – 25% off Ballroom/Latin lessons

Rory's Hot Spuds – Evandale Markets & events, show your card

The Coin and Stamp Place (Hobart) also offers discounts on medal mounting and selected products



Coming up in May are various acts and events which should be of interest to most of you in one way or another, below are my picks.

The Royal Oak is presenting Ash Grunwald on the 6<sup>th</sup>, The Embers + The Bad Dad Orchestra on the 13<sup>th</sup> (many locals will be familiar with the Embers and their wonderful music, but if you haven't seen the Bad Dad Orchestra yet, go along to the gig, they are fabulous – check them out online – in my opinion these two acts are Launceston's finest bands and performing on the one night, it is not to be missed.... Not a blues gig but both bands are very enjoyable to listen to – funky, soul, reggae – lots of horns and great tunes). On 18<sup>th</sup> is Daniel Champagne and on 27<sup>th</sup> the Blackstone Dukes (alt country). The Dead Maggies will be performing on the 19<sup>th</sup> May, as part of the Something Different Variety Show series.

### **\*\*Change of weekend for Annual Oatlands Jam\*\***

The annual combined Oatlands Jam with the Hobart Blues Club will be held on 21/5/17 which is the 3rd Sunday in May, at the Oatlands RSL, as this was the preferred date for Hobart BC to get as many of their members along as possible. Usually starts about 1pm. We plan to run a bus or mini buses down and back for LBC members at a cost (yet to be determined) to cover fuel and bus hire and it would help to get people to email the club at [launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto:launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au) to advise if they will be going and if so will they be on the bus (please provide a contact number if planning on the bus as well). Departure times to be advised closer to the date.

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Due to the change of weekend (above), at this stage the LBC will still be holding the regular monthly jam at the Royal Oak on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

Please also try and get along to support our young people at the annual Launceston Competitions. The Blues section to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> May at Newstead College, usually starting around 6pm. Once again the Launceston Blues Club is sponsoring this event.

<http://www.launcestoncompetitions.org/>

I'm off to Blues on Broadbeach later this month, they have some great acts performing there. Helma and Kim are also coming along and I usually spot a few other members who regularly attend this great free festival on the Gold Coast.

So what have you been up to? Any interesting music type items are welcome to be sent through for publication in future newsletters. Have a great month, Kaz

# AROUND THE CLUB

## **The Launceston Blues Club welcomes the following new and re-joining members:**

**New:** Lester Waud, Tim Barham, Roger & Emily Ardley and Victoria & Andrea Wardlaw.

**Re-joining:** Christopher Eddy, Danny Kealley & Melody Walsh and Kitty Rynsent.

## **BLUE NOTE EDITOR – POSITION AVAILABLE**

The position of Blue Note Editor is becoming available. If you have some computer skills and can find a couple of hours each month to compile and email the newsletter, the LBC would love to hear from you.

This is an official LBC position per the Club Constitution, so you would need to be formally nominated and accepted into the role at a monthly meeting. As you would have access to the membership database for emailing the newsletter, a high level of confidentiality is expected.

I will **not** be renominating for the position at the next AGM in August, so the LBC will be without a newsletter editor at that time. It would be good to refill the position sooner, so please get in touch via [launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto:launcestonbluesclub@yahoo.com.au) and I can let you know what is required.

I am happy to help to settle you in and answer your questions. Kaz

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## **WANT TO PLAY IN A JUG BAND??**

John Toulson has extended an open invitation to anyone interested in making a jug band up to perform at the blues jams acoustic section replies to John at [westham1950@outlook.com](mailto:westham1950@outlook.com)

BYO jugs... will these do John?



# ***The Royal Oak Hotel Gig Guide - May 2017***

Wed 3rd	Miss Jones Plays	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Thu 4th	Brad Gillies Blues	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Fri 5th	When She Believes - Female Showcase	Boat Shed - \$5 entry Doors 8pm
Sat 6th	Ash Grunwald - Hammer Tour	Boat Shed - moshtix.com Doors 8:30pm
Sun 7th	Open Folk Seisiún	Public Bar - Free Entry 5pm
Wed 10th	Jeremy Banjo	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Thu 11th	James Walker Solo	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Fri 12th	Max Hillman Showband	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Sat 13th	The Embers + The Bad Dad Orchestra	Boat Shed - \$10 entry Doors 8pm
Sun 14th	Open Folk Seisiún	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Wed 17th	Mr Andy Collins	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Thu 18th	Daniel Champagne	Boat Shed - \$15 Doors 8:30pm
Fri 19th	Something Different Variety Show- Including the Dead Maggies	Boat Shed - \$10 entry Doors 8:30pm
Sat 20th	Guthrie + Paper Souls + Cardinals - LPCA Fundraiser	Boat Shed - \$10 entry Doors 8:30pm
Sun 21st	L'ton Jazz Club Jam	Boat Shed - Free Entry 1pm
	Open Folk Seisiún	Public Bar - Free Entry 5pm
Wed 24th	Mary Shannon	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Thu 25th	The Hat & The Horn	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
Fri 26th	FRESH COMEDY - Nick Cody	Boat Shed trybooking.com Doors 8pm
Sat 27th	Blackstone Dukes	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm
<b>Sun 28th</b>	<b>Launceston Blues Club Jam</b>	<b>Boat Shed - 1pm Free Entry</b>
	Open Folk Seisiún	Public Bar - Free Entry 5pm
Wed 31st	Open Mic Night	Public Bar - Free Entry 9pm

**\*\* Please check with venue for more info or any last minute changes\*\***





## On Tour

### **Ash Grunwald** **6<sup>th</sup> May – Royal Oak**

Legendary Australian roots troubadour Ash Grunwald returns with a vengeance in 2017, opening a new chapter in his fifteen-year career with the release of blues/rock stomper 'Hammer' and a tour announcement.

Taking cues from classic bluesmen including R. L Burnside and John Lee Hooker and old prison work songs, Grunwald drags the genre into the 21st century, adding a twist of classic rock, neo soul and a hat-tip to roots contemporaries including Butler, Rudd and Harper. 'Hammer' is Grunwald's most accomplished track to date, showing an artist emerging with a confidence and resolve of a leader rather than a follower.



"Hammer feels like a rebirth for me in some ways," said Grunwald. "I'm not a new artist trying to find my niche or prove myself. I don't want to be a certain kind of artist fitting into a certain kind of box. I went in to record Hammer knowing the musical boundaries I wanted to push as well as the traditions I wanted to respect and tried to create something my fans would love... a signpost to the future in some ways, with ties to the past."

Written as part of a recording trip to the US last year, the song is the first taste of Ash's forthcoming 10th studio album and his first since 2015's successful 'Now', which saw him touring the world with sold out shows and festivals across America, Canada, New Zealand and of course Australia.

"Being able to create a life as a musician is a true blessing and there's nothing better than playing in front of an audience of like-minded people and feeling that connection. Hammer was a clear crowd favourite at the festivals I played last year. One that people seemed to latch on to in a live environment, and I'm really excited to have a recorded version to open what I think is going to be a really fulfilling year for me musically." <https://www.facebook.com/AshGrunwald/>

**Check website for ticketing and other information:**

**<http://www.ashgrunwald.com/>**

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# AROUND THE CLUB

## **Brad Gillies Blues – Royal Oak Hotel Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – Public Bar**

A slide, rock n stomp blues act, Gillies has been writing & composing over several years and traveling across Vic & Tas with his one man show.

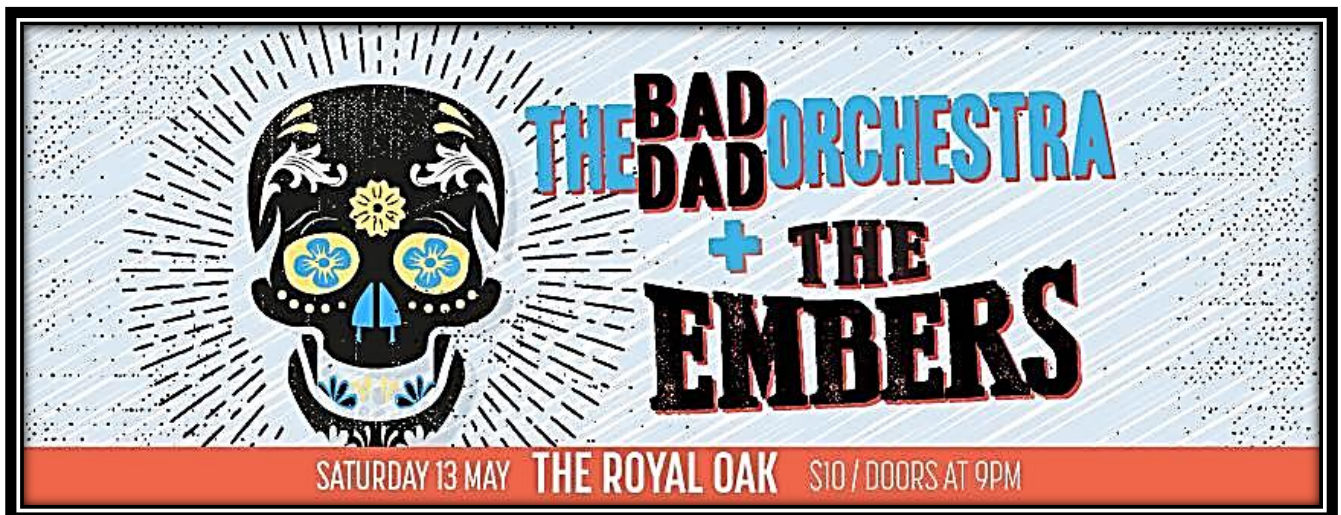
After supporting acts such as Guthrie, Shaun Kirk & Jeff Lang + playing festivals like Fractangular, Hobart/Esk Beerfest, Fresh Hop Fest & The Taste of Tasmania, Gillies continues to evolve as a live artist.

Bringing a vast vocal range to accompany his slide guitar & rhythmic stomp this creates a full & yet dynamic wall of sound for the listener. So grab a mate, a brew & unwind with some stompin' slide blues.

Photo credit: Jim Jacobs



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# Marakoopa Café News

## Bruce Watson & the Dixie Chooks

Hi All,

Very proud to have these guys return to perform at Marakoopa Cafe under a different guise!

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May, doors 1pm Music starting 2pm.

Tickets \$20 presale by phoning 63635033 or \$25 door sales on the day.

This concert will be held in our café so numbers will be capped at 45 so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Hot food, coffee and beer/ wine/ cider available pre show and during intermission.

We look forward to seeing you and please help us spread the word.

Warmest wishes, Lars and Sarah

### Bruce Watson

*Eric Bogle has described him as "the best songwriter I have seen in a long time." Melbourne folk institution The Boite says, "Bruce Watson is a wordsmith, a teller of tales, a spinner of yarns he tells with passion and integrity. An Australian folk hero!" His performances are joyful, hilarious and thoroughly engaging, with witty lyrics and energetic presentation. He is a masterful craftsman of songs, be they evocative and heart wrenching, or side-splittingly funny.*



*That was absolutely f...ing brilliant! — **Derek Guille, ABC Radio Melbourne 774**, (on seeing a Bruce Watson performance)*

### The Dixie Chooks

*Wendy Ealey and Moira Tyers combine compelling tunes that blend socially conscious lyrics with down to earth, blues-folky instrumentation – and a winning sense of humour. Their tight harmonies work beautifully with their mix of original material and well-known favourites. Moira is an award winning singer/songwriter whose songs reflects everyday issues both comical and poignant. She is a master of many instruments. Wendy has a voice to die for. They have appeared at many festivals across Victoria and interstate. They recently released their new album "Layers".*



*"The Dixie Chooks" present a wonderfully eclectic and truly original interpretation of the acoustic roots singer-songwriter genre. Their harmonies and solo voices are a joy, their musicality on a variety of string instruments precise and their stage-craft infectious!*

NICK CHARLES

<https://www.facebook.com/marakoopacafe/>



# Blues on Broadbeach Music Festival

AUSTRALIA'S  
GOLD COAST.

**BONNIE TYLER<sup>(UK)</sup> - IAN MOSS**

**SLIM JIM PHANTOM TRIO<sup>(USA)</sup> - KEVIN BORICH**

**RAY BEADLE - HARTS - CASH SAVAGE AND THE LAST DRINKS**

**JIMI HOCKING'S BLUES MACHINE - THE SHANE PACEY TRIO - LACHY DOLEY AND THE HORNS OF CONVICTION**

**CHEAP FAKES - DARREN JACK BAND - CLAUDE HAY - HUSSY HICKS - BLUES ARCADIA**

**THE VIBROLATORS FEATURING MISS PETA LEE - AUSTIN WALKIN' CANE<sup>(USA)</sup> - LOUIE SHELTON BLUESLAND - JUZZIE SMITH**

**AARON WEST & THE CUSTODIANS - 19-TWENTY - THE TURNER BROWN BAND - PHIL MANNING - EZRA LEE - LITTLE BILLIE**

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## June Long Weekend at St Helens

### Bay of Fires Winter Arts Festival

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#### **LIVE MUSIC!**

Live music debuts at the 2017 Bay of Fires Winter Arts Festival with exclusive live sessions - exclusive ticketed sessions and a free family concert!

#### **BOOGIE IN THE BARNYARD**

**Saturday June 10, 7pm - midnight**

**LIMITED TICKETS: BOOK NOW**

**\$60 pp**

Prepare yourself for an intimate musical journey. Beginning with chilled alternative country music performed by a stellar line up of Tasmanian talent including Luke Parry, Jane Germain and Ange Boxall.

The king of the barnyard, Pete Cornelius will bring it home with his swinging band.

Pumping out Rhythm and Blues, Pete and the Boogaloo four will get you shaking your tail feather on the dance floor!

Venue: St Helens District High School GP Room

Time: 7pm to midnight

Bar and food available for purchase

Licensed event, strictly no BYO

**[BUY TICKETS HERE](#)**

#### **BEER BLUES & BBQ with Full Tilt Boogie!**

**Sunday June 11, 4 - 7pm**

**FREE FAMILY EVENT**

This 5-piece boogie blues band is based in Hobart Tasmania and have been gigging regularly around Tasmania for many years. They specialise in party style blues with an emphasis on dancing and entertainment value, but also inject this with some serious down and dirty old school as well.

They play many styles of blues from swamp to Texas to western swing with a commitment to portray the music as it was meant to be played... with heart and soul.

Venue: St Helens District High School

Time: 4pm - 7pm

Bar and food available for purchase

Licensed event, strictly no BYO

**<http://www.bayoffireswinterartsfestival.com.au/live-music.html>**



# AROUND THE CLUB

# SUNDAY JAM

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – Royal Oak Hotel



Stephen receiving his Certificate of Appreciation for all his wonderful services to the LBC, thanks Stephen.

# AROUND THE CLUB

## Member discounts on food to keep in mind

**The Royal Oak Hotel** offers a generous discount to all current LBC members upon showing their card, of 20% off their main meals. This discount applies AT ANY TIME, not just when attending a gig or jam.



## LBC Merchandise

We have LBC merchandise available...

get yourself some before it's all gone...

our bags are on sale for \$2 (normally \$4)

stickers are \$2

tees are \$20

**CHECK ON THE DAY FOR ANY SPECIALS**

LBC merchandise is available at jam days  
or any LBC function...





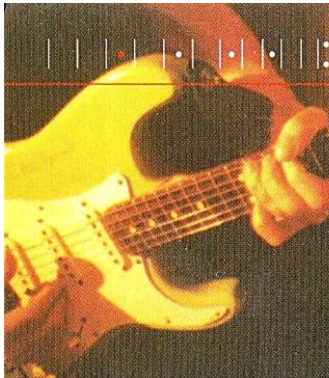
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## Launceston Blues Club Inc Membership Form

Office Use only  
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Membership No:  
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### Annual Membership Fees: Tick choice below

Single: \$10 ☐

Family: \$15 ☐

Corporate: \$30 ☐

**\* Please Note:**

- Membership includes a monthly emailed newsletter, with one newsletter per Family or Corporate membership.
- Family membership includes your partner + children under 18 years of age.
- Corporate membership includes up to 3 business partners.

**\* Preferred payment option** is by Direct Deposit to LBC Commonwealth Bank Account  
BSB 067603, Account Number 10154576 (Please use your name as reference)  
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\*This section for if you require a receipt when paying fees to a Committee Member

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Date: ..... Accepted by: .....(Signed by LBC committee member)  
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