



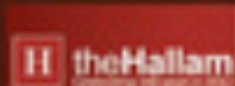
**FEATURING THE BEST IN
VICTORIAN COUNTRY MUSIC**

GOOD FRIDAY

6 APR 2012 ★ 2PM-10.45PM

**THE PRAIRIE OYSTERS • RUCKUS • ADAM TOMS
THE BLACKHILL RAMBLERS • BRITTANY PAVLO
THE DALTON GANG • TWYCE DAILY • SUSAN LILY
THE BONAFIDE TRAVELLERS • NIA ROBERTSON TRIO
THE BAY CITY HOSTILES • DANIELLE HOGAN
JESSICA-JADE BRUCE**

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HALLAM COUNTRY MUSIC ROUND UP 2012 RUNNING SHEET

- 2:00pm Nia Robertson
- 2:35pm Jessica Jade Bruce & Band
- 3:25pm Danielle Hogan
- 4:00pm The Bay City Hostiles
- 4:50pm Susan Lily
- 5:25pm The Bona Fide Travellers
- 6:15pm Twyce Daily
- 6:50pm The Dalton Gang
- 7:30pm Brittany Pavlo (The Prairie Oysters to back 3 songs)
- 8:05pm Adam Toms (The Prairie Oysters to back most of set)
- 8:50pm Announcements, Silent Auction, Acknowledgements**
- 9:05pm The Prairie Oysters (guest Mick Pealing 3 songs)
- 9:55pm Ruckus
- 10:45pm The Blackhill Ramblers
- 11:30pm CLOSE

HALLAM COUNTRY MUSIC ROUND UP MEET THE ARTISTS



YOUR HOSTS ANITA MONK & MICK PEALING

Anita is the producer of the top rating show "Wrokdwn" on Channel 31, which airs in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Brisbane. She is also a musician and songwriter, who has played in many bands over the last 25 years. Wrokdwn TV, is all about the legends of our industry and how they began and to air new material by the best singers and songwriters from all genres of Australian music. Anita thought that probably the best she could do was 13 episodes. But the amount of new independent material being produced was extraordinary and she remains very busy producing the show and broadcasting the Wrokdwn Radio Show on Southern FM in Melbourne.

As lead singer of 70s Aussie country-style rock band, Stars, Mick Pealing got to tour with some legends of the music industry, including the likes of Linda Ronstadt, The Beach Boys and countless others. Stars were regarded as one of Australia's best country rock/blues outfits with Mick fronting a band of great musicians including Mal Eastick and the late great Andy Durant. The bands hits included Mighty Rock, Look After Yourself, Back Again, Last of the Riverboats. Mick has worked with a few different bands since Stars went their separate ways in 1979 including the The Ideals and The Spaniards with Billy Miller from The Ferrets. Mick is still one of the finest voices in the country and still gigs in between his radio commitments on INR-FM hosting the Wrokdwn Radio show to the inner Northern Suburbs of Melbourne.



NIA ROBERTSON TRIO

**Band Members: Nia Robertson, Bill McMartin (Guitar),
Brendan Mitchell (Pedal Steel)**

Nia Robertson returned from her first visit to Tamworth Country Music Festival in 2011 where she was thrilled to be awarded the 2011 Meet N Greet Fan Awards – Most Popular Rising Star. In 2012 she was a finalist at the Meet N Greet Fan Awards as Best Female Vocalist.

Nia spent a large part of her childhood on a dairy farm in country Tasmania singing along to all the Slims; (Dusty, Whitman and Newton) Tammy, Dolly, as soon as she could talk. In the 80s, like most teenagers, Nia embraced the live music culture, and sang an original rock band!

It wasn't until much later that Nia returned to her country roots and started writing the tracks for her debut album "Middle of Blue". "This album has a little something for everyone, no matter how you like your country music." Nia has been described as a storyteller of the highest order. Her songs are far from standard country fare that tells tales, which are captivating



JESSICA-JADE BRUCE

Band Members: Jessica-Jade Bruce, Padi Logue (Guitar), Ry Haus (Drums), Paul Cooper (Keys), Rhys Walmsley (Bass), Andrew Hurley (Guitar)

Jessica-Jade Bruce is Melbourne singer/songwriter who has just released her début EP, **The Steps We Took** launched on March 8. Jessica recorded the EP in Nashville alongside the CMAA's **Producer of the Year**, Matt Fell.

Jessica-Jade first picked up a guitar at age fifteen and hasn't put it down since. She is inspired by artists such as Sheryl Crow and Alanis Morissette, Taylor Swift and others but has earned a reputation for having a very unique style. After playing guitar and singing for just one year, Jessica-Jade was chosen to be a part of the Tamworth Country Music College and sang her way in to the grand final of The Telstra Road To Tamworth, winning many fans along the way. She also made it in to the Top 100 on Australian Idol that year.



DANIELLE HOGAN

**Band Members: Danielle Hogan, (Dad) Rob Hogan (Bass),
Megan Laurie (Guitar, Vocals)**

Danielle Hogan is a singer/songwriter and entertainer from Mildura who was awarded the 2011 Best New Talent Award (South East Australia) at the Gold Medallion Media Awards in Tamworth.

Danielle's song **Raise Your Glass** was also a Finalist in the CCMA National Song writing Competition. Danielle's EP entitled **The Way That I Feel** was recorded by Doug Bruce in 2011 with all 7 tracks written by Danielle. Danielle has released two singles to Radio and Country Music Channel. Danielle is making a name for herself playing many live gigs with her band **Mallee Road** around her local area.



THE BAY CITY HOSTILES

**Band Members: Strat Pavlos (Vocals, Guitar), Adrian Chenoweth (Slide)
Darren McCarthy (Drums), Dave Norris (Bass)**

The Bay City Hostiles describe themselves as a bunch of guys who play some music and that's all. But there's more to them than that. In fact their bio reads "we are some guys who play some music. Aside from that you got nothing' on us copper!!!"

Their music would be described as alternative country or country that tells the truth. The boys have been around the Melbourne live music scene since 2006 and also work with other musicians doing other music projects. They are currently in the middle of recording their debut album.



SUSAN LILY

Band Members: Susan Lily, Scott Smoothy (Guitar)

Susan Lily grew up in Hay, outback New South Wales and is now a Melbourne girl who has achieved a lot. Starting out as a shy little kid dreaming of stardom while singing into a hairbrush, Susan moved from Sydney to Melbourne to pursue a career in stand up comedy.

From there she moved on to writing song parodies and original comedy songs. She was encouraged to move on to singing and she has never looked back. She undertook vocal training with Nikki Nicholls and through that association met Paul Norton who produced her current album **Butterfly**.

Susan was a finalist at the Meet 'n' Greet Country Music Awards in Tamworth in 2012 and also received a nomination for Female Vocalist of the Year at the Victorian National Country Music Awards for 2012.



THE BONA FIDE TRAVELLERS

Band Members: Snow Townsend (Vocals, Guitar), Shane Fitchette (Drums), Mike Parker (Bass), Tony Persic (Guitars)

The Bona Fide Travellers are a riveting roots band whose members were in the vanguard of the progressive country scene of the seventies. The members rode in the same posse as The Dingoes, Greg Quill's Country Radio, Saltbush, Hit & Run, Dead Livers, Bluestone amongst others.

Over the journey The Bona Fide Travellers have played at The Bunyip Country Music Festival, The Red Hill Country Music Festival, The Dargo High Country Music Festival, and are regulars every year at The Basin Festival.

The combo has also shared the bill with notable acts such as The Wolverines, Leslie Avril, Broderick Smith, Suzie Dickinson, Californian tourist Kacey Jones, and Oklahoma bombshell Becky Hobbs. To date The Bona Fide Travellers have four CD releases. There are also several video clips on YouTube and aired regularly on public TV.



TWYCE DAILY

Band Members: Twyce Daily, Greg Hunt (Fiddle)

Twyce Daily is an APRA award winning singer songwriter originally from Adelaide has been roaming around the country woo-ing audiences with his unique blend of country/folk and enigmatic personality. As a regular on the Melbourne acoustic circuit Twyce has gained popularity by bringing his comedic outlook on life to the stage and to his songs, an accomplished performer with highlights playing Wreast point Casino, Twin Towns, Menzies, Lizottes and the Mt Isa rodeo and a holds permanent residencies at venues all across Melbourne. Whether alone or with his trusted fiddle player Greg Hunt, audiences can be assured of a musical performance to remember.

Twyce's achievements include awards such as the 2008 APRA South Australian Song of the Year and Modern Country Song of the Year and 2009 APRA South Australian Country Song of the Year. In addition to these accomplishments he has been a finalist for several awards around Australia.



THE DALTON GANG

**Band Members: Helen Stewart (Vocals, Bass) Leo Dalton (Vocals, Guitar, Fiddle)
Stuart Lees (Vocals, Drums)**

The Dalton Gang burst onto the Australian music scene in April 1995 with a polished sound and well crafted arrangements have been impressing audiences ever since.

Their first performance was at Melbourne's Dallas Brooks Hall as support for American country star Don Williams. Not only did the audience want to hear more of this talented threesome, but Don and his band commented that "The Dalton Gang sounded more like a hot five piece band than a trio"

Since then, **The Dalton Gang** have worked with artists such as Beccy Cole, Denise Morrison, Noel Watson and Johnny Chester.

Since then they have become favourites in the Victorian Country Music Scene having been awarded the Les Keats Memorial Award for Most Popular Band by the Country Music Guild of Australasia in 2003 and 2004 and consecutive finalist nominations in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. In 2010, Helen Stewart won the award for Most Popular Vocalist by the Country Music Guild of Australasia.



BRITTANY PAVLO

Brittany Pavlo is a singer/songwriter from out Whittlesea way. She is a graduate of the Country Music Academy of Australia and a 2012 Tamworth Toyota Star Maker Finalist. As a songwriter, she is also experiencing success, with one of her compositions "Bush Love of Mine," gaining her a spot as a finalist in the CMAA Tamworth National Talent Quest.

Brittany has accomplished quite a bit over the years with regular radio airplay, numerous competition wins as well as performing all over the country playing guitar, piano and harmonica, alongside artists such as Catherine Britt, Carter and Carter, The Sunny Cowgirls and Shannon Noll.

Brittany has been recognized with an Australian and New Zealand cultural music award for new and upcoming talent. In 2010 Brittany was selected as one of the top 12, for the under 25 girls on the popular television series, the Xfactor. Kyle Sandilands was noted as saying that her voice had made him become a country music fan. In November 2011, Brittany performed at Australia's "International Rodeo" at Hisense Arena (Melbourne) which attracted worldwide media coverage.



ADAM TOMS

Adam Toms grew up in Shepparton, spending his teen years playing in cover bands and solo gigs gaining experience as a performer and singer. He released his debut full-length album *Holding My Breath* in 2011, which was produced by Golden Guitar winner Matt Fell and Aria award winner Doug Roberts. Adams songs have received extensive airplay with the video to his most recent single *Break Another Man* staying in the CMC charts for most of 2011 peaking at 29.

Adam mixes his love for artists like Keith Urban, Ben Harper, Eric Clapton, Brooks & Dunn, Ryan Adams and Billy Thorpe to create his own sound.

In 2011 he was a finalist in the 'Rising Star' category of the 'Southern Stars' Awards, he was a 2012 Tamworth Toyota Star Maker Finalist and in February 2012 Adam took out the top prize in the 'National Male Vocalist of the Year' category of the Victorian & National Country Music Awards along with the 'Victorian Male Vocalist' category.

In March 2012 Adam finished up a massive 9-month trip around Australia with his wife and two young boys covering many kilometres and playing lots of gigs. He has begun recording his follow up album due to be released later this year.



THE PRAIRIE OYSTERS

**Band Members: Tony Bonnici (Vocals, Bass), Rob Street (Vocals, Drums),
Dave Miles (Vocals, Guitar), Jamie Argent-Jones (Vocals, Guitar)**

If The Prairie Oysters stuck to their original plan of being a side project, they wouldn't be here now. The guys have racked up a lot of miles and have made a lot of friends performing around Australia becoming one of Victoria's busiest and most popular country music bands. Their hard work has earned them a number of accolades including:

Winners 2011 Australian Independent Artist Development Awards Peoples Choice
Finalists 2012 Tasmanian Independent Artist Recognition Award for Best Group
Finalists 2010 & 2011 Victorian National Country Music Awards for Best Group
Finalists 2010 Victorian National Country Music Awards for Best New Talent
Nomination for Best Heritage Song 2009 Golden Guitar Awards
The Country Music Guild of Australasia Most Popular Band, 2007, 2009, 2010.

Their album *Livin' For The Weekend* was released in October 2010. The album was recorded and produced by the band receiving airplay internationally and continues to sell successfully around the world. The Prairie Oysters also give a lot of their time to important community causes. This is the second Country Music Round Up they have co-hosted with the Hallam Hotel to raise money for The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.



RUCKUS

**Band Members: Mick Abrey (Vocals, Guitar), Barry Tiplady (Vocals, Bass),
Craig Nichols (Vocals, Drums), Penelope Somerville (Vocals, Fiddle)
Roland Kretschmer (Guitar)**

Ruckus is an award winning, five-piece country rock outfit hailing from the outer Eastern burbs of Melbourne. They describe themselves as four good lookin' blokes and a likely lassie. They have developed a strong and loyal following over the last 8 years with their blistering live performances and their easy going, approachable manner off stage.

Ruckus mixes traditional and hard rockin' country covers interspersed with their own award winning original material. Their music is still seen regularly on CMC. Ruckus is one of Australia's premier Country Bands travelling extensively around the country and making friends wherever they go. Their achievements include 2007 Golden Guitar Finalists, "West Leagues/Rural Press Battle of the Bands" Tamworth 2007. "The Coca Cola Battle of the Bands" Tamworth 2009, "The Tooheys Battle of the Bands" Tamworth 2008.

The band has evolved over the past 6 years continuing to play to a growing army of "Ruckettes" whose support has elevated the bands reputation way beyond their expectations. Their material features an eclectic mix of southern rock and country with and a mix of "home-made" originals. The name "Ruckus" evolved from a particularly eventful night experienced by some of the founding band members at an outer suburban venue of questionable repute.



THE BLACKHILL RAMBLERS

**Band Members: Shane Connors (Vocals, Acoustic), Luke Callahan (Vocals, Drums)
Phil Pellegrino (Vocals, Double Bass), John Palmer (Lead Guitar)**

The Blackhill Ramblers are one of Victoria's favorite live acts on the country. Crowds are always treated to their great mix of Rockabilly, Country, Honky-Tonk and good ol' Rock'n'Roll.

They play music people can dance to and it's been said that if you can't dance to the Ramblers, you're probably dead and no one has bothered to tell you. The boys have played around Australia over the years we've played at various venues to a wide variety of audiences and events including Rock'n'Roll Festivals, Country Music Festivals, Hot Rod events, Dance Clubs, Rodeos, RSLs, Community Festivals, Pubs, Clubs, and private functions.

The boys have a couple of great CD's released and have had airplay on radio and CMC.