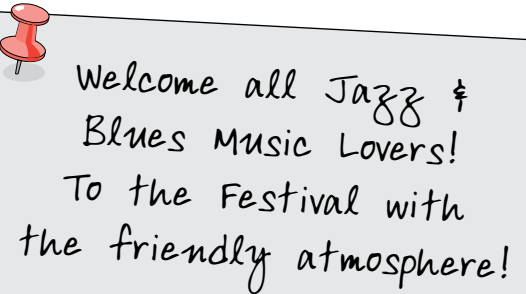




16th WAGGA WAGGA JAZZ & BLUES Festival

Newsletter '10

Dear Friends



Welcome all Jazz & Blues Music Lovers!
To the Festival with
the friendly atmosphere!

It's on again, and this year the 16th Wagga Wagga Jazz & Blues Festival is to be held on Friday 10th, Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th September 2010. Celebrating the music of jazz, blues and roots styles, the city of Wagga Wagga welcomes all muso's, friends, partners, participants, listeners, young kids, teenagers, retirees and anyone else with a love of a good time built around great music!

For those of you who have experienced the Wagga Wagga Festival before know that we pride ourselves on being a very 'participative' event where musos and bands from all corners of the country are given the opportunity to play for the right reasons, ie: fun and experience. However, as an enticement to jazz and blues audiences that don't necessarily play or arrive with musicians, each year we hire a few 'feature bands' to not only help put bottoms on seats and pay our bills, we believe these acts also offer encouragement and mentoring to the young and the not so experienced players and supporters.

So, Who's Coming This Year?

Well, apart from the **55 registered bands** that attend each year, we are very proud to announce a great line up of feature bands. In the true jazz genre we welcome festival favourites the **Hot-B-Hines** and **Carol Ralph & The Maryville Jazz Band** featuring the red hot front line of **Paul Furnis, Bob Henderson and John Bate**. Carol and the boys will also be playing at the Gospel Service on Sunday morning. Also performing their funny and unique brand of jazz and pop classics is **Ukuleus**. These guys can play every song you want to hear on 3 ukuleles. Singing and playing the 'blues' over the weekend will be Australian blues and rock legends **Spectrum** featuring of course **Mike Rudd and Bill Putt**, writers and performers of that great Australian classic "**Someday I'll Have Money**" and others. Also playing his brand of energetic blues and roots music will be **Lloyd Spiegel** who is releasing his brand new album at the festival. Back by popular demand are **The Wizard & Oz**.

What Will I Wear?

The colours for this year are **red, black and white**.

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How Do We Do It So Cheap?

Weekend Passes

\$110 - Adult

\$90 for early birds (registering before September 1st)

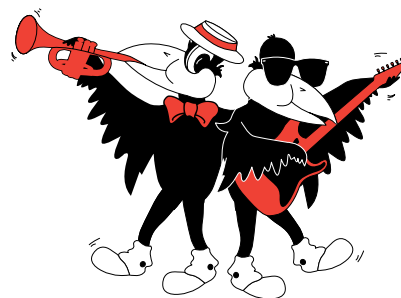
\$100 for pensioners, seniors & students with ID. Or \$80 for early birds

\$30 for children 13 - 17 yrs with adult

Musician registration fee \$10.00

\$30 for partner or parent of a registered muso

Children under 12 free!



Session Passes

\$30 each (no concessions) for

Friday Night - 7pm till midnight

Saturday Arvo - 11am to 6pm

Saturday Night - 7pm to midnight

Sunday Arvo - noon to 6pm

\$10 for child 13 - 17 (with adult) for any of the four sessions

\$10 for Battle of the School Bands at Wagga Commercial Club on Saturday afternoon, pay at the door

\$20 for Jazz Breakfast featuring Moonee Valley Jazz Band and Col Ray Price

- This year the Jazz Breakfast will be at the Marquee behind Romanos Hotel, Saturday morning 8am - 10am, pay at the door.
- The Jazz Office is at the Visitor Information Centre in Tacutta Street opposite the Civic Theatre.
- Tickets are also available at Romanos Hotel Foyer, Wagga Commercial Club, and the Home Hotel.
- Tickets are available on line at www.waggajazz.org.au or by calling 1300 100 122 free call.

All prices include GST

Calling All Band Leaders and Musicians

Please take note:

- As was the case last year, all sets will be one hour.
- Again due to limited venues and timeslots, bands will be programmed on a 'first in best dressed' basis. Bands will then be put on a reserve list, if desired, in case of dropouts. Band rego's close when the programme has been filled or 1st August, whichever is the earlier.
- Musicians will be able to register and be programmed in three bands only. Each muso must show clearly his/her preference for the three bands in which to be programmed. This will not stop any musician from extra playing, providing it does not interfere with the bands in which you are programmed. We appreciate your cooperation with this, it helps give everyone a fair go!
- Pianos, drum kits and bass rigs with quality PA's with operators will be provided.
- Band and Musican registrations can be made via the internet from our website www.waggajazz.org.au Musician registrations and Weekend Pass Wristbands will be mandatory for all weekend and session passes. However, the musos and the weekend pass holders will have the option of wearing a free courtesy/collectors badge if they wish.

We'll See You Here

Please remember to phone the **Wagga Wagga Visitor Information Centre on 1300 100 122** to book your accommodation as soon as possible.

Cheers from all of us on the committee!

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