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NEWSLETTER

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"Promoting Rock'n'Roll in all its forms in the ACT"

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1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to the Canberra Services Club for the refurbishment of the Lady Gowrie Room. The dance floor is now first rate and the room brighter and fresher. Now fully enclosed, with better access, it provides a great view to teach and dance.

As the end of the financial year draws near the committee is now focusing on the Prom. Tickets are available from the Committee and to help us, members should book early.

The AGM looms on the 24th of July. The Committee needs to be expanded by filling the vacant positions. The Club is a non-profit organisation, and by filling all positions it will make work lighter for us all.

Finally the Committee is looking at the usefulness of the newsletter. If you read the newsletter, please send me an email at michaelkitchen@bigpond.com, just to confirm that you have read this one.

Michael Kitchen

2. CANCELLATION Friday 5th June

Due to the long weekend and the migration of many of our members to Wintersun, there will be no social dance on Friday 5th June.

3. LESSONS

4 Step Beginners Lessons: **12 Jun – 17 Jul** – 6 nights and **23 Oct – 27 Nov** – 6 nights

Rockabilly Lessons: **31 Jul – 4 Sep** – 6 nights and **11 Sept – 16 Oct** – 6 nights

Numbers are limited and payment must be made up front – \$60 per person for a set of six lessons. Email: mail@actrocknroll.org.au Attention Sharon for more information, or see a committee member of Friday night.

4. PROM UPDATE *Tickets now available!*

Planning for this year's Prom is proceeding well. The Committee will be working with the Italo Club to ensure that the dinner, like last year, is excellent. The entertainment from Tony Haley and The Atomic Hi-Tones, who were so well received in Canberra last time, will provide a great highlight to the night. Members are encouraged to form tables of ten for this great event. Included below is a short note on Tony Haley, our MC and dinner crooner for the night, and some info on the Atomic Hi-Tones.

Tony Haley

Tony began his musical career in 1975, in the fifties style rock and roll band, The Starliters. Working under the name Eddy Haley, he sang, played rhythm guitar and saxophone. Between 1979 and 1983 he played the part of Bluey in the infamous rhythm and blues band, The Zarsoff Brothers. About this time Tony founded Piranha Brothers Records, an independent recording company that recorded bands from the Sydney pub scene. In 1984 he formed the rockabilly band, The Eddys. In 1987 The Eddys teamed up with Little River Band vocalist, Glenn Shorrock, and over the next three years toured the country in a series of successful stage shows. In the nineties Tony performed with rock and roll band The Comets and in the swing combo, Indigo Stomp. Tony now lives in Canberra and is perfecting the art of lounge and swing singing in the vein of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin. Tony's other musical passion is performing the early rock and roll songs he began his career with and the old country classics he grew up with. As well as an extensive repertoire of early Elvis tunes Tony performs songs made famous by Ricky Nelson, Gene Pitney, Roy Orbison, Roger Miller, Don Gibson etc. Tony uses his own professionally recorded backings complemented by his own guitar playing.

Atomic Hi-Tones

Based in Melbourne, the Atomic Hi-Tones is a four piece rockabilly-inspired band with an aggressive, high energy style. Formed just on five years ago, the band has quickly become a popular choice for entertainment at special interest vehicle events (hot rod, high performance cars and motor bikes) and in pubs, club and hotels in most States. The band is frequently travelling to interstate gigs. The Atomic Hi-Tones is a band that is fantastic live. Entertaining, plenty of grunt and great audience rapport, this band always attracts a crowd when performing, regardless of the size or age group of the audience. Awesome vocals, talented musos, formidable stage presence, and a diverse repertoire, the Atomic Hi-Tones is a stand alone band with the ability to make an event come alive. Nothing beats a live band, and nothing brings a big event to life more than a great band that can do the job.

5. BIRTHDAYS *Happy Birthday to our members:*

June Birthdays

Carmen Johnson 5, Peter Demaine 6, Julia Rozycka 7, Lisa Blair 8, Chris Tognon 9, Michael Kitchen 10, Peter Schulz 12, Pat Taylor 16, Jill Garrett 21, Michael Tee 23, Robert De Groot 24, Rob Wilson 24, Graeme Hermans 25, Simon Holt 25, Kirstin Pratt 25, Beth Rogers 30

July Birthdays

Jan Munoz 1, Andrew Buttriss 2, Eddie Dunn 3, Karen Reimer 4, Jenny Hosny 5, Kaaren Sephton 5, Leighan Scurr 7, David Toft 7, Paul Drake 9, Trish Corkhill 10, Tina Hnatiuk 10, Nikolai Lobanov 10, Col Simmons 10, Elena Vvdenskaia 10, Barbara Kitchen 11, Michael Mallon 12, Harry Hadzantonis 18, Steve Collins 19, Geoff Lucas 20, Jim Corkhill 21, Melissa Tidd 23, Des Collings 24, Mary Petocz 24, Cathleen Fisk 26, Jennifer Spackman 26, Henk Ten Brummelaar 26, Angie Drake 27, Ann Cabbage 28

6. NEW MEMBERS We would like to welcome our new members.

Jessica Buttriss, Andrew Buttriss, Jo Cumberland, Ian Haigh, Noelle Hillman, Marlene McNamara, James Moschitz, John Payne, Kaylia Payne, Breanna Payne, Daniel Payne, Graham Reardon, Kevin Reid

7. DEMOS

The ACT Rock'n'Roll Club is often asked to perform demonstrations for the public. If you are interested in participating please contact Paula by email: paula.sloan7@gmail.com. A keen sense of fun is all that is required, rock'n'roll skirts can be provided.

8. DATES TO REMEMBER!

Friday, 5th Jun: Social dance CANCELLED

Friday, 24th July: AGM

Saturday, 22nd August: Prom



9. GIG GUIDE FOR 2009

Submit your information to mail@actrocknroll.org.au

June

29th May – 8th Jun Wintersun R'n'R Retro Nostalgia Event – Coolangatta/Tweed Heads Qld -
<http://www.wintersun.org.au/>

July

11th Southside Rock'n'Roll Club Dance – On the Prowl – Burns Club, Kambah

August

31st Jul – 2nd Aug Greasefest – Kustom Kulture Festival – bands, hot rods etc – Brisbane Qld
www.greazefest.com.au

22nd ACT Rock'n'Roll Club Prom – The Atomic Hi-Tones – Italo-Australia Club
Contact: Michael 0400 034 189 or mail@actrocknroll.org.au

September

5th Southside Rock'n'Roll Club Dance – Straight Eights – Burns Club, Kambah

11th, 12th & 13th Rockfest – Port Macquarie

19th Rockabilly Ball – Queen Juanita & the Zydeco Cowboys – Italo-Australia Club, Forrest

October

31st ACT Rock'n'Roll Club Halloween Dance – Rattlesnakes – Harmonie German Club, Narrabundah

November

20th ACT Rock'n'Roll Club Christmas Party – The Midnight Drifters – Harmonie German Club, Narrabundah

December

12th Southside Rock'n'Roll Club Christmas Dance - TBA

10. NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Did you receive your newsletter by snail mail? Do you have an email address? Get your newsletter faster and save the environment. Provide your email address to the ACT Rock'n'Roll Club and we will send your newsletter by email. Email your address to:
tracy.harris2@bigpond.com

11. SHIRTS & JACKETS

The Club now has an established supplier for shirts and Jackets: *Action Sportswear, Belconnen*
To place your order directly at pre-arranged prices, contact:
Lyn McKenzie, Action Sportswear, 47 Nettlefold Street, Belconnen Ph 02 6253 0069
Black wool with black leather sleeves are \$128.00, Black wool with tan suede sleeves are \$128.00
Black Polo Shirts are \$36.00, Black Ladies T-shirts are \$35.00

12. NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2008 Annual General Meeting will be held Friday, 24 July at 8pm

The meeting will be held immediately following classes on Friday night, at the Manuka Services Club, Canberra Avenue, Manuka and will be followed by our regular Friday night social. Even if you are not interested in taking on a position on the committee, please come along and support those that are either leaving office or taking on a position themselves. Please note that only current members of the ACT Rock'n'Roll Club are eligible to vote for the election of the committee or office holders for the coming year – this is a timely reminder to renew your membership if you haven't already done so (membership forms are available on Friday nights and in this newsletter). The proceedings of the meeting will be as follows:

1. Receive an activity report from the outgoing committee.
2. Receive a financial statement and auditor's report.
3. Place before members present, any notices of motions that have been received.
4. Appointment of a returning officer and a scrutineer.
5. Election of the committee and office holders for the forthcoming year:
 - Declaration that all positions are now vacant
 - Returning Officer to preside over and conduct elections
 - Returning Officer to invite the new committee to take up their positions
 - Announcements (if any)
 - Vote of thanks to the outgoing committee, scrutineer and the returning officer

An outline of each position is on the following page. If you are interested in a position and would like to know more about the duties performed, the current position holder will be happy to give you more information.

COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM – AGM – 24 JULY, 2009

We hereby nominate: _____

For the position of: _____

In the ACT Rock'n'Roll Club for the financial year of 2009/2010.

Proposed by: _____

Seconded by: _____

I accept nominations as proposed: Endorsed by nominee:



CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

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The ACT Rock 'n' Roll Club respects and protects your privacy. Details provided on this form will be added to our computer database and will only be used by Committee members to assist with Club management, mail-outs (including emails) and other Club activities.

Member/s Details

Name/s	DOB
1	/ /
2	/ /
3	/ /
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E-mail

Tick this box if you do not wish to receive your newsletter by email

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Receipt No.	
Receipt date	
Membership No.	
Date processed	
Signature	

New Members

(membership is from 1 July to 30 June of the following year)

Per year

Family \$25

Single \$20

Renewals

(membership is from 1 July to 30 June of the following year)

Per year

Family \$20

Single \$15

Dance Lessons

Children 8-15 ½ price of adults

Rockabilly Beginners \$60 pp

4 Step Beginners \$60 pp

Rockabilly Intermediate \$30 pp

Total Fees Due: \$.....

I/We hereby agree to abide by the Constitution of the ACT Rock'n'Roll Club. I/We acknowledge that I/We are now representatives of the ACT Rock 'n' Roll Club and shall behave in a responsible manner.

Signed:

Signed:

Date:

Date:

Committee Member Positions

General

To be an office holder, you need to be enthusiastic about the task and inject the same enthusiasm, excitement and interest into other club members. Whilst not always easy, the rewards when a task is completed are well worth it. ***You must be prepared to attend the monthly committee meetings, take a turn on the door on Friday nights and at special functions including setting up and packing up, perhaps help out with lessons, and generally support the Club with your attendance at dances, practices, demonstrations and special events.***

President

Oversee the activities of the Club.

Responsible for coordinating lesson structure and teachers.

Chairs monthly meetings and is the official spokesperson for the Club.

First point of contact for clubs and associations.

Oversees the performance of the club and committee.

As chair of the committee responsible for ensuring the clubs smooth running and that legislative obligations are met.

Vice-President

Assist the President in overseeing the activities of the Club.

Coordination of club functions, booking venues and bands.

Promotion/Advertising of the clubs activities.

Co-ordinates dancing lessons.

Secretary

Ensures accurate Club records are kept, including recording and documenting the minutes of committee meetings, including keeping minutes of:

(a) all elections and appointments of office-bearers and ordinary committee members; and

(b) the names of members of the committee present at a committee meeting or a general meeting; and

(c) all proceedings at committee meetings and general meetings.

Responsible for formal correspondence and recording incoming and outgoing mail.

Responsible for the clearing the mailbox and delivering mail to relevant committee members.

Responsible for door roster/setup rosters etc.

Co-ordinates activities of the Club and responsible for the Club calendar, including lesson dates, function dates and other events.

Treasurer

Maintains the clubs financial records, including responsibility for:

(a) the collection and receipt of all amounts owing to the association and make all payments authorised by the association; and

(b) keep correct accounts and books showing the financial affairs of the association with full details of all receipts and expenditure connected with the activities of the association.

Responsible for payments of accounts and rendition of annual returns.

Responsible for Club banking.

Membership Secretary

Responsible for new memberships (especially first night of lessons) and renewals.

Maintains membership database.

Provides birthdays and new members details to newsletter editor.

Provides mailing labels to newsletter editor for members who receive newsletter by post.

Emails each newsletter edition to members who receive newsletter by email.

Events Officer

Co-ordinates and supervises functions within the Club.

Responsible for negotiation with, booking of bands.

Responsible for function door rosters, decoration and food etc.

Promotions Officer

Co-ordinates dancing demonstrations.

Responsible for advertising Club activities including all promotional materials such as posters, flyers, tickets etc.

Responsible for the Club's newsletter.

Responsible for promoting the Club's image to the general public.

Responsible for promoting the Club activities within the Club.

Note: Currently the President, Vice-President and Secretary carry out some of the functions of the Promotions and Events Officers as these positions have been vacant for the 2008/09 Committee.

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