



# TSA

## "First the Song"

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### **President's Report**

Hi to all members and friends of the TSA,

2019 has seen the consolidation of advances made in 2018 such that our involvement in the TCMF, Hats Off, Blue Water and other festivals has been well received, publicised and well attended.

In January 2020 at Tamworth the TSA has found opportunities for 90 plus members to showcase and perform their work during the festival. Thanks go to Lydia Clare for putting together this huge task and I hope all those who get to perform find Lydia in the melee that is Tamworth and thank her for all the hard work which starts in September and does not finish until the show is over!

I would also like to thank the Committee of Chris Davies, Lorraine Pfitzner, Athol Latham, Vicki Walsh, Angela Eason, Wendy Wood, Carolyne Morris, newsletter editor Patricia Cruzado and consultant Judy Smith for some great work during the year.

The TSA will again conduct a Talent Quest during the TCMF. We found last year that through the Talent Quest we have attracted new and young songwriters to the TSA some of whom are forging early careers in songwriting and performance.

The AGM will be held in Tamworth, Wednesday 22nd January 9.00 am at the Uniting Church Meeting Room, Marius St, where we elect the executive and committee members. Nomination forms will be at the rear of this newsletter. As we start a new decade for the TSA we will be needing new committee members to take us through our next growth period. Please consider if you have the time and energy and can a trip or two to Tamworth each year. We have 4 meetings per year, one at Hats Off, the AGM and two others. The Association is financially sound and has an enviable reputation. The Association is 42 years old and is vital for those who need a place to start, to grow and become part of a musical community in which they can advance.

There will be a TSA members only get together in Tamworth at the Tamworth City Bowling Club on the Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan starting at about 4 pm. I hope you can all make it.

We have included a whole TSA programme for you in this newsletter

On behalf of The Committee I wish you all a great Xmas, a very successful Tamworth Festival and a happy and delightful 2020.

Duncan Hill  
President TSA





## 2020 TSA Songwriter Salute Awards

### *Semi-finalists Songwriter Salute*



#### THE GARRY KOELHER COMMEMORATIVE AWARD FOR NOVICE SONGWRITING

River Run Dry	– Annalise McHugh
Tamworth Rambler	– Paul Whittaker
Going Home	– Garry Jones
Long Road Leave	– Joanna Treweek
Wouldn't Change a Thing	– Felicity Dowd
So Much More	– Ed Jackson, Alexie Pigot
Bonnie Road	– Kelsey Giarola
Kalgoolie Dreaming	– Garry Jones
Drive South	– DeraniSandrs
Heart in a Jar	– Aurelle Brunjes
It's Time to go	– Paul Whittaker
Big White Horse	– Aurelle Brunjes
Jindabyne	– Robert Knox
Working on the Land	– Garry Jones
King of Kings	– Mackenzie lee Hall, Vicki Ross

#### JOHN P TOOMEY COMMEMORATIVE AWARD FOR YOUTH SONGWRITING

I'll Run to You	– Briana Dinsdale
Doesn't Matter Anyway	– Grace Mae
This Is not The End	– Briana Dinsdale
Delia	– Dennis Comino
You'll never Win	– Lucy Parle
These Old Boots	– Mackenzie Lee Hall

Stay	– Trinity Woodhouse
Wouldn't Change a Thing	– Felicity Dowd
Waiting	– Felicity Dowd
Too Young	– Sally Pottinger
Serves you Right	– Trinity Woodhouse
Kiss You When the Rain Comes	– Sally Pottinger

#### LYRICS ONLY

In My Fathers Time	Dave Diprose
That's Australia Too	– John Walsh
Tears Upon the Ashes Maurie Marion	– Sandy Rasmussen,
Country Girl	– Kyle Fredrick
Livin till I'm Dead	– Dianne Coombes
Coming Home One Day	– Kevin Pye
Convicts Sweat and Tears	– Patricia Thompson
Lantern Light	– Kevin Pye
In Summer Days	– Jim Murray
Children of the Southern Cross	– Lloyd Mills
Edward Street	– Lloyd Clarke
The Moon is Sending kisses	– Kevin Pye
The Poets Curse	– John Walsh
The View from Where Jack Lies	- Christine Eccleston
Winter's Almost Here	– Michelle Morgan
Stockman in Her Veins	– Christine Eccleston
My Backsteps	– Dianne Coombes



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( Lyrics only continued)

The Moon is Sending Kisses – Kevin Pye  
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The Poets Curse – John Walsh  
The View from Where Jack Lies – Christine Eccleston  
Winter's Almost Here – Michelle Morgan  
Stockman In Her Veins – Christine Eccleston  
My Backsteps – Dianne Coombes  
Sisters in a Field of Flowers – Diana Davis  
The Heart you Break the Hardest – Susan Muranty

### GOSPEL SPIRITUAL

Help Me Meet the Lord – Briana Dinsdale  
Her Little Miracle – Laura Downing, Lindsay Waddington  
Love Came Down – Peter Christie, Roger Corbett  
Horizon – Jason Greenwood  
God Guitars and The Open Road – Peter Christie, Roger Corbett, Allan Caswell  
Australia, God's Blessing – Alzanne Eksteen  
Lay the Burden Down – John Littrich, Neil McCann  
My Kinda Country Prayer – Maria Harkins  
Talkin to the Lord – Patricia Cruzado, Paul Bonner-Jones  
Across the Jordan Wide – Peter Christie  
Promised Land – Damien Hosken  
Walk Beside Me – Virginia Hermel  
Hannah – Maria Harkins  
Glorious Failures – Susan Muranty, Renee Jonas

My Heart Belongs to You – David Reeve  
If I Could Fly – Shaza Leigh, Jean Darnell  
Travelling Preacher – Peter Armstrong  
Beyond Time – Linda Milne  
Home to the Chapel – Damien Hosken

### BLUEGRASS

Torn Apart – Jason Greenwood  
Bad Politics – Allan Caswell, Damian Cafarella  
Moonlight Dancer – Aurelle Brunjes  
Getting Where I Wanna Get – Lola Brinton, Kerry Garside  
What I Did – Virginia Hermel  
The River – Ian Burns  
Future – Dean Winchester  
The Wheel – Kay Armstrong  
Counting My Blessings – Peter Armstrong  
Lady Luck and Me – Benny Allen  
Born Again – Peter Christie, Roger Corbett  
Point of No Return – John Littrich, Neil McCann  
Barry and Adrienne – Kym Watling

### COUNTRY BLUES

Old School Blues – Dave Diprose  
Best Friend is Whiskey – Ian Burns  
Devil's Road – Andrew Wigglesworth  
Cliches – Eric Read



## 2020 TSA Songwriter Salute Awards *Semi-finalists*



(Country Blues Continued)

Country in My Veins – Virginia Hermel  
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Even Cowboys get the Blues – Benny Allen  
Low Road – Emma Bosworth  
Wollondilly Blues – Alex Varlow  
Everybody has the Blues Sometimes – Stan Lenz  
Pride of Woman – Matthew Soden  
Sunday oh Sunday – Maria Harkins  
We Hold up Half The Sky – Aly Cook, Graham  
(Buzz) Bidstrup, Kay Bidstrup  
In the Dead of Night – Geoffrey Bates  
Brush Turkey Blues – Gordon Station

### THE GEOFF MACK COMMEMORATIVE AWARD FOR COMEDY NOVELTY SONGS

I Won't do it Again -John Loveridge  
Doctor, I shouldn't Complain – Steve Montgomery  
G String – Lloyd Back  
Legless – Tony Mc Kenna  
Wombelano Kelpies – Anita Ree  
After All He's Only Three – Patricia Thompson,  
Mervyn Underhill  
Fishing Song – Felicity Dowd  
My Wife is a Superhero – Dean Winchester  
Funny Thing – Darren Johnson  
It's A Dirty Job – Eric Read  
Showtime – Virginia Hermel  
A Poor Man's Violin - Paul Whittaker

Almost Perfect Man – Shelly Jones, Lester Treuer  
I Feel Lucky Today – David Reeve  
Slanguage – Matt Scullion  
It's Good To be Alive today – David Reeve, Bruce  
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Wouldn't be dead for Quids – Eric Read  
Should the Road Go Around – Peter G McDonald  
Merle -Shelly Jones, Lester Treuer  
Ukelele Boogie Woogie – Elizabeth Usher  
The Hostess with the Mostess – Sue Duchesne,  
Stephen Kiely, Roxanne Kiely  
Why Don't you Come on Home – Peter Armstrong,  
Shirley Lynn

Hours in A Day – Thomas and Tessa Libreri  
Welcome to the Valley – Brian Stitt  
Jackpot the Trouble – Elizabeth Usher

### BUSH BALLAD

The Eulo Queen – Stets Strohfeld  
The Braidwood Mail – John Littrich, Neil McCann,  
Danita Harris  
The Outback – Shelly Jones, Lester Treuer  
The Drovers Friend – John O'Dea  
The Real Australia – Keith Jamieson  
The Eulo Cutter – Brian Stitt  
Out There – Peter Simpson, Dianne Lindsay  
Sons of the Saddle – Terry Bennetts  
Lonely Outback Moon – Peter Coad  
Sweet Sugar Cane – Anita Ree



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( Bush Ballad continued)		51 Fortune Street	– Kerry Garside
Shining Star Crosse	– Phil Crosse, Anita	Dylans Song	– Kenneth Dinsdale
Hard Habit to Kick	- Blake Dantier	You'll Never Win	– Lucy Parle
Educated x rated	- Kim Wright	This is me	– Derani Sanders
Dancing on a Country Afternoon non	-Tin Chan-	A Different Tune	– Stan Lenz
Collided Mawdsley	-Ben	Wheels	– Sharon Benjamin
Hippy Cowgirl	– Wendy Ford	River Rock	– Robyn Wyman
Red Dirt Road Trip Buzz Bidstrup, Kay Bidstrup	– Aly Cook,	Something Like Love	– Lucy Parle
Good Medicine	– Wendy Ford	I'd Do it Again	– Blake Dantier
Back into the Night Hosken	– Damien	It's Not Quite A Ghost Town	– Brian Stitt
Rollin on By	– Darren Johnson	HouliesUkelele	– Robert Know
Bouquet Kemp	– Trinity Woodhouse, Troy	Old Blood	– Nathan Seeckts
Livin in a Country Town	– Robert Knox, Roland Wilson	Amber	– Sarah Mc Adams
Hard to Breathe	– Aaron Jurd	Meant To Be	– Virginia Hermel
Without You	– Virginia Hermel	Lonesome Road Song	– Anita Ree
Good Time Man	– Stan Lenz	One Button at a Time Wilson, Jen Mize	– Lola Brinton, Clint
Dancing with You Hosken	– Damien	Gypsy Girl – Zoey Mills, Kevin Bennett, Amber Lawrence	
Let the Rain Fall - Michael and Catherine Le- nehen		Back to you – Jason Greenwood, John Greenwood	
Your World	– Phil Crosse, John Clarke	Patient Heart – Chloe Styler, Jenny Mitchell, George Goodfellow	

### ALT COUNTRY

Let Me Out – Jack Mc Dougall, Peta  
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### COUNTRY BALLAD

Mister Moon – Dianne Coombes

Masterpiece – Ben Mawdsley

My Family and Me– Thomas and Tessa Libreri



## 2020 TSA Songwriter Salute Awards *Semi-finalists*



(Country Ballad continued)

Set Me On Fire – Aaron Jurd

Love Songs – Anita Ree

Local Hero – Peter Campbell

Like My Ol Man – John O’Dea, Stuart French

Stockman of The High Plains – Barbara Saunders

What She Needs – Shelly Jones

Won’t Be Here Again – Virginia Hermel

Memories of Yesteryear – Tracey Rowland

Where Seagulls Ride the Wind– Tony Mc Kenna

This Old Tin – Tracy Rowland

Broken Hearts of Broken Hill – Lloyd Back

It Goes to Show – Lloyd Back

George Oak Lane – Paul Bonner Jones, Kevin Dunshea, Patricia Cruzado

I Don’t Know – Steve Montgomery

The Last Of His Kind – Cathy Dobson

AussieAs – Matt Scullion ,Paul Grierson

A River Somewhere– Lloyd Clarke, Allan Caswell

Bread and Water -Dave Lonergan

Train To God Forsaken– Allan Caswell, Michael Waugh

Chasing Memories – Jim van Fleet

Broken – Jason and John Greenwood

All Over By Christmas – Paula Standing

Leave the Gate Open -Tony Kennelly

### BEV DANIEL COMMEMORATIVE AWARD FOR TRADITIONAL COUNTRY SONG

Old Miners – Tony Shepherd

A Campfire Waltz – Justin Landers

A Silent Minute – Renee Jonas

King of the Mountain – Sharon Benjamin

The Journey – Virginia, Jim Hermel, Shirrellee Jackman.

This Land Australia – Maria Harkins

Webb Brothers – Anita Ree

Drought – Steve Montgomery

Chamberlain Super 70 – Sharon Benjamin

Everyone Has a Story – Lloyd Back

Just a Boy on a Mallee Farm – Melvyn Moll

I love Country Music – David Reeve

Back to Lansdowne – Heath Watts

The Guardian – Laura Downing

Where our Heart Lives – Shaza Leigh

Paddy’s Soul – Peter Simpson

Sailing – Tony Kennelly

Red Flowers – Virginia Hermel

Stanley and Slim – Peter Dawson

Ruby the Cattle Dog and the Farmer – Maria Harkins





## 2020 TSA Songwriter Salute Awards *Semi-finalists*



( Bev Daniel Traditional Country Song Continued)

Sandy from Tennant Creek – Virginia Hermel  
Country Copper – Allan Caswell, Manfred Vjars  
Ghosts of the Old One Tree – Tony Mc Kenna  
Back in Birdsville – John O’Dea  
Ballad of The Coal Pit Ponies – Terry Bennetts, Ashley Cook  
At Ballarat – Max Richards  
Googy Eggs – Shelly Jones, Lester Treuer  
Hazelwood – Lloyd Back  
Captain Moonlight – Peter Dawson  
A Library Shuts Down – Patricia Thompson

### APRA AMCOS TSA -NEW SONGWRITER of the YEAR

Bonnie Road – Kelsy Giarola  
Patient Heart – Chloe Styler, Jenny Mitchell, George Goodfellow  
Watch it all Come Down – Patrick Kenny  
This Old House – Andy Penkow  
Kalgoolie Dreaming – Garry Jones  
Changed – Aaron Jurd  
Home – Kim Wright  
Mary Jane – Blake Dantier  
My Family and Me – Tessa, Thomas Libreri

### ANZAC SONG OF THE YEAR

Michael’s Song – Slim Pickens, Ray Essery  
Anzac Angels – Patricia Thompson  
Another Sunrise – John O’Dea  
Frontline letters – Benny Allen  
Anzac’s (Biscuits from Home) – Lloyd Clarke  
My Soldier – Ben Mawdsley, Kate Appleyard  
Sons of The Southern Cross – Angela Small, Quinn McHugh  
80 Mile Beach Memorial – Terry Bennetts  
The Horses that Died – Diana Davis, Jeff Brown  
The Lost Soldier – Peter Campbell, Brendon Walmsley  
Beersheba – Sally Pottinger, Allan Caswell  
Afghanistan – Tony Kennelly  
They Are Returned Veterans– Graham Brennan  
Our Anzacs – Patricia Thompson  
The Soldier and the Rose – Slim Pickens , Ray Essery

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### COUNTRY ROCK

Baby Baby	- Damien Hosken
Fighter	- Ben Mawdsley, Kate Appleyard
Hook line And Sinker	- Renee Jonas
Millionaire	- Marilyn Steele
Damn right Reynolds	- Leanne Pannowitz, Eliot Boyd
Shining Star	- Phil Crosse, Anita Crosse
Hard Habit to Kick	- Blake Dantier
Educated x rated	- Kim Wright
Dancing on a country Afternoon	- Tin Channon
Collided	Ben Mawdsley
Hippy Cowgirl	- Wendy Ford
Red Dirt Road Trip Kay Bidstrup	- Aly Cook, Buzz Bidstrup,
Good Medicine	- Wendy Ford
Back into the Night	- Damien Hosken
Rollin on By	- Darren Johnson
Bouquet Kemp	- Trinity Woodhouse, Troy
Livin in a Country Town son	- Robert Knox, Roland Wil-
Hard to Breathe	- Aaron Jurd
Without You	- Virginia Hermel
Good Time Man	- Stan Lenz
Dancing with You	- Damien Hosken
Let the Rain Fall rine Lenehen	- Michael Lehnen, Cathe-
Your World	-Phil Crosse, John Clarke

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## 2020 TSA TCMF FULL PROGRAM



### TSA Full PROGRAMME TCMF 2020-

All shows FREE except TSA Concert and Awards Show.

(NB. Could be minor changes depending on artists availability)

#### FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> Jan:

##### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am- Ally Hawkins, 11.00 - Dave Diprose, 12.00- Kylie Castle, 1.00 - Mark Shay

##### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC)

6.15pm- Two Gals, 7.00 - Gunbarrel Highway Men

##### TSA on Peel ST – Fanzone stage

6.00 pm - Trinity Wood House, 6.30 - Grazy & Aymes, 7.00 - Joel Bear McKay, 7.30- Natalie Baker 8.00- Mark Shay, 8.30- Moonshine Coalition

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan:

##### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am- Trinity Woodhouse, 11.00 – Riley Catherall, 12.00- Angela Easson, 1.00 - Copperline

##### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – "Songwriters on Show"

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins Zoey Mills, Col Thompson, Kristine Best, Nathan Seeckts, OhSuzannah, LawyB, Sarah Hamze

##### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – "All Kinds of Country"

6.00 pm - Mathew Munro, 6.40 - Kyle Castle, 7.20 - Smokie Pete Dawson, 8.00 - Chloe Styler

##### TSA on Peel SsT – Fanzone stage

6.00 pm - Felicity Dowd, 6.30– Bowen & Clare, 7.00 - Rachel Clark, 7.30 - Barry Walker,

8.00 - Michelle Gardiner, 8.30 - The Silverline

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan:

##### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am- Allegra Dunning, 11.00 - Alice Benfer, 12.00- Suz Dorahy, 1.00 - Bowen & Clare

##### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – "Songwriters on Show"

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Dunc N Sue, Mackenzie Lee, Wayne Docherty, Kylie Adams-Collier, Duncan Phillips, Rachel Jillett, Dave Drummond and Some Blonde Chick.

##### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – "All Kinds of Country"

6.00 pm –Rachel Clark, 6.40 - Copplerline, 7.20 - Shirley Lynn, 8.00 -Dan Higgins

##### TSA on Peel ST – Fanzone stage

6.00 pm - Sally Jane, 6.30 - Smokie Pete Dawson, 7.00 - Gayle O' Neill, 7.30 - STETS,

8.00 - Anita Ree, 8.30 - Paul Bonner- Jones



## 2020 TSA TCMF FULL PROGRAM



### Monday 20th Jan:

#### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am- Felicity Dowd, 11.00 - Silverline, 12.00- Emma Dykes, 1.00 - Dan Higgins

#### Square Man Inn 10 -12change every 30 mins

10.00am- Sarah Hamze, Phil Doring, Maria Stratton, The Floyd Black Band

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC)

10.00 am- 11.50 FIRST HEAT of TSA TALENT QUEST

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TC BC) – "Songwriters on Show"

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Sandra Rasmussen, Shirly Lynn, Pete Armstrong, Phario,-Grace Mae.

THEN from 4.00 TSA Members Only Mix & Mingle at the bar of the TCBC

#### TSA on Peel sT- Fanzone

6.00 pm -Jorja Belle, 6.30 -Col Thompson, 7.00 - Wendy Wood, 7.30 -Dunc N Sue,

8.00 -Suz Dorahy, 8.30 - Dave Diprose

### Tuesday 21st Jan:

#### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am – Maria Stratton, 11.00 Brittany Elise 12.00- Shelly Jones Band, 1.00 –Nathan Seeckts

#### Square Man Inn 10 -12change every 30 mins

10.00am- Dave Drummond and Some Blonde Chick, Anita Ree, Lawry B, Ally Hawkins

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC)

10.00 am- 11.50 SECOND HEAT of TSA TALENT QUEST

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – "Songwriters on Show"

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Melissa Robertson, Souly US, Riley Catherall, Danni el Rassi,

The Floyd Black Band, Jeannette Cains, Felicity Kircher.

THEN TSA CONCERT and AWARD S SHOW at the LONGYARD HOTEL starting 6.50pm TICKETS \$20

### Wednesday 22th Jan:

#### Uniting Church Hall meeting room Marius St

9.00am- TSA Annual General Meeting

#### Post Office Hotel- "Original Country"

10.00 am–Kerry Garside, 11.00 –Bec Hance, 12.00- Blake Dantier, 1.00 - Cec Petersen

#### Square Man Inn 10 -12 change every 30 mins

10.00am- Sandy Louise, Shelly Jones Band, Emma Dykes, Kat Angela

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC)

10.00 am- 11.50 Third HEAT of TSA TALENT QUEST



## 2020 TSA TCMF FULL PROGRAM



### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘Songwriters on Show’

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Kat Angela, Peter Salata, Aimee Francis, Moonshine Coalition,  
Joel Bear McKay, Renee Jonas, Natalie Baker.

### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘All Kinds of Country’

6.00 pm – Blake Dantier, 6.40 – Kerrie Garside, 7.20 – Michael Wilks, 8.00 – Della Harris

### **Thursday 23rd Jan:**

#### Post Office Hotel- “Original Country”

10.00 am – Becci Nethery, 11.00 -Chelsea Rollings , 12.00- Renee Jonas,

#### Square Man Inn 10 -12 change every 30 mins

10.00am- Cec Petersen, Allegra Dunning, Stephen Kiely, Kristine Best

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC)

10.00 am- 11.50 Fourth HEAT of TSA TALENT QUEST

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘Songwriters on Show’

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Paula Standing, Mathew Munro, Barbara and Brian, Alice Benfer, Ian Wilkinson, Lucy Parle, Andy Penkow.

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘FINALS TSA TALENT QUEST’

6.00 pm – 9-00 pm

### **Friday 24th Jan:**

#### Post Office Hotel- “Original Country”

10.00 am – Paula Standing, 11.00 - Dunc N Sue , 12.00- Souly Us, 1.00 –LeAnne King,

#### Square Man Inn 10 -12 change every 30 mins

10.00am- STETS, Zoey Mills, Jason Marks, Jorja Belle

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘Songwriters on Show’

2.00 pm- change every 20 mins, Phil Doring, Becci Nethery, Sally Jane, Garry Jones, Chelsea Rollings, Watling & Bates, Carolynne Morris

#### Tamworth City Bowling Club (TCBC) – ‘All Kinds of Country’

6.00 pm -Brittany Elise, 6.40 - Ian Burns, 7.20 - Emma Jene, 8.00 - Aaron D’Arcy

### **Saturday 25th Jan:**

#### Post Office Hotel- “Original Country”

10.00 am – Della Harris, 11.00 - Michael Wilks, 12.00 - Emma Jene 1.00 - Andy Penkow,

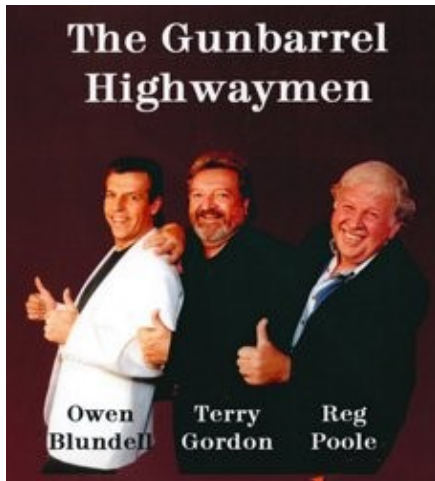
### **Sunday 26th Jan:**

#### Post Office Hotel- “Original Country”

10.00 am – Danni El Rassi, 11.00 – Ian Burns, 12.00- Sandy Louise

## TSA MEMBERS

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To kick off the 2020 TCMF there is a FREE show on Friday January 17 featuring the Gunbarrel Highwaymen (Terry Gordon, Owen Blundell & Reg Poole), supported by Two Gals at the Tamworth City Bowling Club, 6.15pm.

The annual TSA Gala Awards and Concert is featuring an amazing pool of talent including Catherine Britt, Peter Pratt, Col Thomson, Felicity Kircher, Lucy Parle, Virginia Coad saluting Lilly Connors, Steve Passfield & Handpicked band with hosts Greg Champion and Amber Lawrence.

The popular night of awards and artists is on again at the legendary Longyard on Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup>, 7pm with tickets available from The Longyard, \$20 pp.

Throughout the week, songwriting fans can catch dedicated singer songwriters at Fanzone "TSA on Peel" 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Jan from 6pm-9pm while the Tamworth City Bowling Club's 'Songwriters on Show' is on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2pm-4.30pm.

TSA is also showcasing 'All Kinds of Country at the TCBC. Check the festival guide for details.

On top of all that, the popular talent quest is back with the heats from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> followed by the finals on 24th.

"We're doing our best to support Aussie songwriters and we invite everyone to come along and support these worthwhile events," president Duncan Hill said.

TSA sprouted from humble beginnings 42 years ago with Aussie legends Joy and Heather McKean, Max Ellis, Eric Watson, Tim McNamara, Smoky Dawson, Stan Coster and Shorty Ranger at the inaugural meeting in 1977. Email [tamsongwriters@gmail.com](mailto:tamsongwriters@gmail.com) for enquiries about TSA events at 2020 TCMF.

PATRICIA CRUZADO



ATHOL LATHAM



TAMWORTH SONGWRITERS ASSOCIATION  
SHOWCASE on [capitalcountryradio.com.au](http://capitalcountryradio.com.au)  
For songs, released, that you have written or someone else has released, I would love to play your songs. The program is on the internet and my segment goes out on Tuesday at 9pm and replayed on Saturday at 6:00

Athol [1953awl@gmail.com](mailto:1953awl@gmail.com)

02 67613428 [www.capitalcountryradio.com](http://www.capitalcountryradio.com)

PETITION—If you'd like to sign the petition for the late Trevor Day to be included in the Australian Country Music Hall of Fame Roll of Renown here's the link ... <https://www.change.org/p/australian-country-music-hall-of-fame-have-trevor-day-added-to-the-australian-country-music-country-music-roll-of-renown>

You can also have a listen to his song Old Mans Kingdom.

**DON'T FORGET THERE IS A  
TSA GET-TOGETHER AT THE  
TAMWORTH CITY BOWLING  
CLUB ON MONDAY JAN 20th  
STARTING from 4pm—5 pm,  
following 'Songwriters On  
Show'.**

**Come and meet your TSA Ma-  
tes!!**

## TSA MEMBERS

\*\*\* NEWS \*\*\*



VALE TREVOR DAY (1931-2019)

**Trevor Day was one of the pioneers of Country Music in Australia. His achievements as a song writer and entertainer are widely praised. His songs have been recorded by many artists, including Chad Morgan. He has achieved more than some worthy artists already on the roll.**

Trevor Day was born on 3rd November 1931 in a little farmhouse at Lorne, in the north coast timberlands of New South Wales, Australia. Shortly afterwards, the family managed to secure a small property (three quarter hectare) at Foxes Creek near Kendall, and it was there that Trevor spent most of his first 18 years, helping his father driving timber jinkers. Trevor was influenced by the music of Tex Morton.

1950s - Trevor's musical career started in the mid-50s when he moved to Eastwood in Sydney, he bought his first guitar at age 20. He became close friends with Les Partell and Pat Ware who helped encourage him into the country music scene. During this time he was very active, singing around the Sydney suburban hotels, making regular appearances on the old Harbour Showboat "Kalang", and for eighteen months being heard regularly on 2SM's "On the Trail" programme. Trevor toured with Reg Lindsay, Chad Morgan, Rick and Thel Shows.

1953 – Diagnosed with TB he was told that it was so far advanced he had only a short time to live. A second opinion with another doctor revealed it was only double pneumonia. After he recovered he put a show on the road with Rex Dallas, Bill Kelly and Bruce Lear, but it was not successful.

Trevor then did a brief tour with Reg Lindsay and Judy Stone and met up with Chad Morgan which led to a three year association with Chad.

1959 - His first recording session was for EMI

in Sydney. The most memorable song of the four recorded during that session was *The Boy Soldier*, which retained its popularity for several decades, so much so, that the song was re-recorded as the title track for Trevor's first Hadley album twenty years later.

His first album with EMI was not a success as the recording was of poor quality.

Trevor then took a ten year spell from entertaining, firstly establishing a successful trucking business, then selling it and re-established himself in Brisbane.

Late 60s early 70s – Trevor signed with the Hadley label and released four EPs

1978 - Trevor was inducted into the "Hands of Fame". He was also awarded South Australian Living Legend Award for his contribution to country music. The only two other artists to gain this award have been Slim Newton and Les Partell.

After a conversation with Slim Dusty he again recorded an album on Hadley.

1979 – Toured with Rick and Thel for a couple of months.

1980 – He did a short tour of New Zealand.

1996 - Norm Scott Pioneer Award Sydney. Australasian Country Music Living Legend Award - Prime TV Kempsey CM Festival

2008 - Stan Coster Memorial Bush Ballad Awards – Songwriter with *An Empty Plate* and Comedy Song *The Homemade Chair*.

An astute student of the nature of mankind, Trevor Day had become one of Australia's top songwriters, and had the unusual ability to succinctly capture the simple joys and sorrows of human existence. His success in country music is probably due to his down-to-earth, easy-going way. He was a stickler for the Aussies and had rarely recorded a foreign written song. Trevor also preferred to sing with just his guitar backing, or a couple of mates along for company rather than with a big band.

*(Extract from Hall of Fame)*



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Dear Members

Our Annual General Meeting will commence promptly at **9.00am** on **Wednesday 22nd January 2020** the St Andrew Room at the **Uniting Church Hall** Marius Street, Tamworth

**Nominations** for Office-Bearers and Committee members are to be **submitted to the Secretary, Lorraine Pfitzner at PO Box 1207, Tamworth NSW 2340** on the enclosed Nomination Form by Friday **17th January 2020**.

Positions to be filled are:

PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, PUBLICITY CO-ORDINATOR, MEMBERSHIP CO-ORDINATOR & COMMITTEE MEMBERS. **A person can hold more than one position.**

According to rule 34 (3)(a) & (b) of our Constitution, the Committee shall appoint a Co-ordinator or Co-ordinators for each State annually. Nominations for State Co-ordinators will be accepted at the AGM. It would however be of assistance, if present State Co-ordinators could let us know beforehand whether they are willing to take on the position again, as all State Co-ordinators cannot always be present at the AGM, and it is difficult to know whether they are willing to be nominated again in their absence.

Should there be more than one nomination for any position, a vote will be taken at the Annual General Meeting to determine who will hold that position.

When accepting a nomination for a position, please consider whether you will be able to attend meetings to assist in decision making and to keep up to date with what's happening, and to take an active part in assisting with the time consuming tasks. Committee members are reimbursed for their petrol costs, and paid a nominal fee to assist with accommodation. We usually only have three or four meetings a year, and we try to schedule these meetings at a time suitable to the majority of people interested in attending. Please contact Lorraine or Duncan if you require further information.

At the AGM we will provide a list of persons nominated for positions, Proxy Form may be supplied upon request to Lorraine or Duncan and nomination form (is attached behind this notice). If you wish, you can use a Proxy Form to appoint another TSA member to vote on your behalf at the AGM. You must return these Proxy Forms to the Secretary no later than 24 hours before the AGM. **If you would like any item of business placed on the Agenda for the AGM, please forward to the Secretary in writing by Friday 17th January 2020.** We will need to have all information by this date to allow sufficient time to prepare the agenda and proxy forms (if required).

Yours sincerely

*Lorraine Pfitzner*

Secretary

**APPENDIX 3**

**Rule 14(1)**

**TAMWORTH SONGWRITERS' ASSOCIATION INC.**

**NOMINATION FORM**

**OFFICE-BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

I.....  
(full name of member making nomination)

of.....  
(address)

wish to nominate.....  
(full name of member being nominated)

of.....  
(address)

for the position of.....  
(president, secretary, committee member etc.)

signature of member making nomination.....

date.....