



20-23 January 2012 at
“Wildwood Retreat”
in the
Pennyroyal Valley via Deans Marsh



Set in the beautiful bush environment of the Otway Ranges the Turramurra Folk Music Bush Camp enables people of all ages, cultures and abilities to enjoy music and dance from a variety of traditions in a safe, relaxed and friendly setting. The camp strives to run sustainably and in harmony with the environment.

Learn to play, sing, dance, juggle, create sculptures and generally develop your skills in the “unplugged arts”. There are also opportunities to play and perform in groups of all shapes and sizes, so bring along your instruments, ideas and musical energy, and have fun!

Join a workshop led by one of our talented tutors, enjoy a jam session, dust off your old skills, try something new, make friends, or just relax under the trees and soak it all up. Great for families and the perfect way to prepare for the start of another year.

The camp starts on Friday evening with a Welcome Concert. On Saturday there's a selection of workshops and a dance at the Deans Marsh hall, followed by supper and music back at the camp. The workshops continue on Sunday, and in the evening, all are invited to contribute to the main concert. On Monday morning, it's time to pack up, say farewell and start looking forward to next year!

The Camp is held at 'Wildwood Retreat', an outdoor education camp situated on Pennyroyal Creek on the northern fringe of the Otway Ranges. Facilities include camping (unpowered), swimming pool and communal barbeques. Limited bunkhouse accommodation is available in shared rooms and is allocated on a first come first serve basis. Alternative accommodation is available at local cabins and cottages (separate booking required). Apologies to canine lovers but this is a dog-free event.

Catered lunch and dinner are available but must be pre-ordered when booking. Some snacks and drinks will also be available on site but otherwise it's BYO food and drink. Supplies can be purchased at nearby Dean's Marsh or Birregurra.

In harmony with the environment!

We try to do more each year to minimise our impact on the environment. We suggest that campers take advantage of the car pooling option available (see the application form), request that campsite waste is taken home and invite everyone to assist with local Landcare projects by making a voluntary Environment Support Contribution with their application and by taking part in our annual tree planting weekend in June. Over the last two years more than 4000 trees have been planted!

Bookings

Bookings are essential as places are limited. Return the attached application form with your payment by post or follow the instructions provided for online application and payment online.

Further information

General Enquiries:

Jen and Barrie Warren 03 5255 4799
Antigone Komodromos 0403 017 659

Transport:

Bob Cumming 03 9939 8205

Email enquiries: turra.camp1@gmail.com

Website: www.geelongfolkmusicclub.com/turra_camp.php

Fire Precautions: The camp is held in bushfire season so we must be prepared. We have a fire precaution and response plan, involving close monitoring of fire conditions and communication with the CFA. The organisers reserve the right to cancel the camp at short notice and may instruct participants to relocate once the camp has started based on advice from Emergency Services. In the event of cancellation the organisers will refund as much of the camp fee as possible but can make no guarantees.

The Turramurra Folk Music Bush Camp is an activity of the Geelong Folk Music Club. For further information about the club visit: www.geelongfolkmusicclub.com

Tutors & Workshops

Ensemble & Woodwind – Adam Simmons

An expert improviser and player of most of the woodwind family, Adam has covered genres from traditional Japanese music, ska, punk, trad to avant-garde jazz, latin, klezmer, African & hip-hop, just because he loves playing music and its all fun! He uses a technique called Conduction to create a unique performance where each player can contribute in their own way. www.adamsimmons.com

Ukulele – Mark Jackson and Jane Jelbert

Mark leads the Ukastle Ukestra (Golden Uke winners, MUF 2012) He and partner Jane combine work in schools with teaching six weekly ukulele & vocal groups in Newcastle and performing in their 'blurgass' band, The Do Riders. Accommodating the absolute beginner and offering more melodic and rhythmic challenges to 4 string veterans Turramurra Ukechestra is bound to be a crowd pleaser.

Guitar – Peter Daffy

Peter cut his musical teeth during the Irish music revival and since then, through his pursuit of folk, blues, country, bluegrass and world music earned a reputation as one of Australia's finest singers and guitarists. With Luke Plumb he founded the Funky String Band which has toured extensively in Britain and Australia and released three albums. Peter is also a world class luthier whose instruments are played on three continents. www.funkystringband.com www.daffyguitars.com

Beginners Whistle – Jane Thompson

Jane (Turra class of 1987 whistle) captured by the sheer loveliness of its sound is passionate about this versatile, portable gem of an instrument. With a warm and encouraging style of teaching, she likes nothing better than to see beginner players take up a whistle and be amazed at the sound they can make in a couple of short hours! Come and join in.

Intermediate Whistle – Barb Scott

Barb is an veteran whistle player and Turramurra identity. Having played with Kavalcade and A Piece of Cake, and with a bent for Eastern European dance tunes, she promises to include at least one 7/8 Greek tune in her workshop. Ease your way into the fascinating world of uneven rhythms.

Singing for the very young - Dani Rocca & Adam Burke

This multi-talented duo provide a great musical start to the day for our newest generation of musicians!

Beginners Fiddle – Angus Downing

Despite dubious beginnings as a classical violinist, Angus took to Scottish Fiddle like a Shetland pony to peat. His wide experience ranges from chamber music, to The Gee Whiz Kidz and the Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club. The first recipient of the MSFC Travelling Fiddlership 2010, he considers himself "not bad" at the Shetland style and looks forward to sharing many great tunes.

Intermediate Blues Fiddle – Heather Stewart

Award winning performer Heather's experiences transverse, jazz, Cajun, Turkish folk, classical orchestral and chamber music and down home dirty blues. Having played with an extensive range of local and international musicians she is also a highly regarded and experienced teacher of violin and viola with a passion for encouraging improvisation.

www.heatherstewart.com.au

Rhythm and Singing – Dan Greig

From chorister beginnings, to folk-dom playing in local bands such as Rapskallion (Gypsy-Cabaret), Power & Greig (Bluegrass) and Tudu Gilberto (Brazilian), Dan returned to choirs. He currently directs 'The Carpark Choir' (see facebook) which specialises in Black Gospel amongst other genres. He aims to help singers develop a better internal sense of rhythm.

Theatre – Annie Fiume

Annie Fiume is a performer and teacher with over 30 years experience. She has worked as an actor, director, singer and facilitator in community, corporate and professional theatre settings across Australia. An original Theatresports player with 15 years Playback Theatre experience, laughter and fun are high on Annie's agenda. Explore, improvise, and be surprised!

Turra Mandala! – Ilka White

Ilka is an artist and teacher whose work frequently responds to the natural world around her. A mandala is a symbolic circular form found in the art and ritual of many cultures. We will collect fallen leaves and other natural debris from the forest around the camp and compose a 'Turra Mandala' to celebrate this very special place.

Songs of Place – Mike Robinson-Koss

Mike is a harmonica player and singer/songwriter from the Otways band, Mountain Grey, and with guitarist Steve James, will lead a workshop about songwriting from the heart. How do the stories come, and what do they mean to the songwriter and listeners? Mike's stories come from his passion for the natural environment, community and that tangled web, a sense of place.

www.myspace.com/mountaingrey



**A WEEKEND OF MUSIC
IN A GLORIOUS
BUSH SETTING**

**Workshops
Concerts
Saturdee Dance
Jam Sessions**



January 20-23, 2012

(Friday evening to Monday morning)



**At "Wildwood Retreat"
Pennyroyal Valley Road
via Dean's Marsh**