

MULE SKINNER NEWS!

Merry Christmas! Psychobilly Frenzy!

In September we had several great gigs including **Fabulous Fins Day** which was a great car show with some hot American iron.

We kicked off October with a wild gig at the **De La Ville Hotel** and the next night played at **Pooga's Bucks Night** which was an insane party with some very entertaining "Acts"!

On the 10th we rocked at the **Micawber Tavern** and had Don Farrel join us on lead guitar for some wild guitar duels at the end of the night! We also had a very special guest singer, Cheryl, who sang two tunes and Johnno played one tune with her! A fun night!

The next night we gigged at the **Kinglake Hotel** which was rockin'!

On Tuesday 14th at the **Bridge Hotel** Guy joined John and Kirk hosting the Jam for a special night. Cheryl, who was our guest singer, is having an "Australian Story" documentary made about her (she is an inventor as well as working with John on "Stingers") and the ABC TV show filmed her singing with us!

On the 18th we cruised down to Phillip Island for the **Motorcycle Grand Prix** which was one of the best gigs we have done there with a huge crowd response! *The Giants* were on after us and had a fat time also!

Next was the **Tassie Tour** with the first gig at the **Republic Bar** rockin' to the rafters! A big crowd that were having a ball! After a late night of partying (we raged so much on the boat that we had bars shut on us!) we hosted a laid back Jam night at the **New Sydney Hotel** which was great fun.

On Friday we had our rockin' gig at the **New Sydney Hotel** which was a blast with a great crowd having fun! We had played live on Tim Cox's **ABC RADIO BREAKFAST SHOW** that morning which was great (although we had had a very wild late night).

The next day we cruised up to Launceston to the **Royal Oak Hotel** where the local Blues Club had kindly organised the gig, which was great! The crowd danced and boogied all night in the fantastic room and we had a ball! After the gig we checked out the huge "**Hogs and Rods**" show which was wild!

Next day was our final gig of the tour at the **Farmers Arms** at Yolla in the arvo and it was a damn wild gig indeed! This crew know how to



party! Even the captain from the boat was there at the bar but we made it back smoothly! As usual we had an awesome time and met many nice folks down south and we will be back soon!! Yippee!

The next night was our annual **Halloween Party at Micawber Tavern**. We kicked off the day with a Vodka and Apricot nectar breakfast at Guy's house and then prepared for the night. Kirk had a multitude of scary outfits. Guy came as a psychobilly ghostly dude and Johnny was the ghost of country singers past! The punters costumes were great and it was a great goulish night!!

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GIGS! GIGS! GIGS! GIGS!

DE LA VILLE HOTEL, Geelong, Friday 12th December, 10pm!

JOHNNY SOLO @ Highway 31 Bar and Restaurant, Brunswick, every Sat, 7pm

JOHNNY AND KIRK @ Mt Dandenong Hotel, Bar, Sunday 14th December, 6pm

JOHNNY SOLO @ Cunninghams, Yarra Junction, Friday 19th December, 9pm!

BARRELS BY CANDLELIGHT with Wild Turkey, Micawber Tavern, Monday 22nd December, 9pm! We will kick off the show! Wild Turkey Bourbon promotion and Channel 31's "Asylum" show will be filming! Wild!!!!!!

WILD TURKEY CHRISTMAS EVE STREET PARTY, Main Street Belgrave, 24th December about 2pm!

JOHNNY SOLO@ Emerald Tavern, Sunday 28th December!

KUSTOM NATIONALS, Phillip Island Raceway, 2nd, 3rd and 4th January - we will be playing several times over the weekend!

DE LA VILLE HOTEL, Geelong, 24th January

MICAWBER TAVERN, Friday 30th January, 9pm!

ALL AMERICAN CAR DISPLAY, Gembrooke, Sunday 15th February, 11am?

JAM NIGHTS with John and Kirks:

Micawber Tavern, Mondays

Emerald Tavern, Wednesdays

Bondy's Barn, Thursdays -

returning after Christmas break early Jan!

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In November we hit Mt Moliagul to visit Tony and Jane and it was an frenzied gig indeed - great pub! We then drove all night back to John's **Rod and Custom Picnic** in Pakenham which had some unbelievable cars - Johnny accidentally got in the queue for the exhaust note competition and did ok! His spectacular leap from the speaker stacks turned heads too! A wild day!

Then we rocked down to the "Out of the Coffin **Psychobilly Festival**" at the Espy which was awesome with the top psychobilly acts in the land ripping it up! We tore out a high octane-

fuelled set and then partyed on to some great bands! Thank you to Tyrone for doing a great job organising the show!

The **De La Ville Hotel** in Geelong rocked again on the 15th with the publican Andy warping our minds with some crazy shots! We kicked on until the wee hours afterwards - wild baby!!

The **Golden Vine Hotel** in Bendigo was crazy on the 22nd with bus loads of folks shakin' up a storm on the dance floor and 60 chicks on a girls night out breezing through the pub made it a frenzy indeed!

On the 29th we played at the **Sherbrooke**

Community Schools Arts Festival in the afternoon which was great fun. We played outside the hall where our very first gig was at in 1988! Then we leaped into the cars and blasted down to Meenyan for Haley and Terry's wedding, which was a wild reception indeed! Kirk consumed much fire water and everyone had a huge night!

New album is WILD!

More sessions in the recording studio are getting some Wild results and the Album is getting close! We are back in for another session before Christmas and will get it out early next year!

T.V. Stars or What?

Johnny was in Neighbours on the 28th of November as "Vic" who is a member of a movie stars fan club sporting bizarre freckles all over his face! Weird! Kirk recently spent a day on "Blue Heelers" as part of a UFO sighting! Johnny also will be on a new sporting ad on TV as part of a crack bowling team! They even dressed him in a wild bowling shirt with a 1950's Ford emblem on it!



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