

*“Folk Music is as much  
a way of life as a traditional  
form of entertainment.”*

### **The many benefits of Club membership include**

The Folk Scene in Newcastle is currently the strongest it has been since the ‘boom times’ of the early 1980s. Explore the website to discover the rich variety of regular activities –

- informal instrumental or singing sessions
- poetry / bush poetry
- open mic concerts
- bush and traditional dances
- more formally structured concerts with outstanding Australian and international performers
- the ‘Sessionfest’ camping weekend

We gather to entertain and learn from one another about folk lore and folk music in its many styles, to develop our skills, and help keep our traditions alive.

We sing, play instruments, dance, tell yarns – and basically have a good time in a social atmosphere of mutual support and acceptance. Many accomplished folk performers come to our club, enhancing friendships and making new ones!

- ☺ *Reduced door entry to most Club nights and events*
- ☺ *Bimonthly newsletter Coaldust*
- ☺ *Public Liability Insurance covers all Club events – performers and audience.*
- ☺ *12 months membership, and up to 6 months free upon first joining (caused by our renewal date structure – 30 April and 31 October each year).*
- ☺ *Children are welcome at all Club events. Those under 16 get free entry to most events.*
- ☺ *You belong to an organisation helping to keep our culture alive.*

### **You are invited to join!**

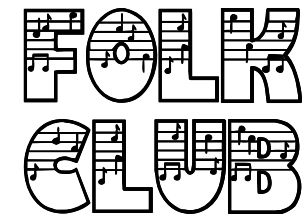
Complete the form on the back and join on a club night, or send it off to P.O. Box 21 Hamilton NSW 2303

(Include the appropriate membership fee – you will get it back very quickly in member’s discounts and *Coaldust* newsletters)

Any queries? Contact our Membership Officer,  
Allan Wright 49571486 or  
aw43@bigpond.com



Newcastle  
and  
Hunter  
Valley



# Newcastle and Hunter Valley Folk Club Inc

## Membership Application

Name/s : .....

Address: .....

..... Postcode .....

Phone/s .....

Email .....

**MEMBERSHIP FEES**

*(Please tick the appropriate box)*

WAGED:      Single - \$20 per year

Family - \$25 per year

UNWAGED/CONCESSION

Single - \$15 per year

Family - \$20 per year

I wish to become a member of Newcastle and Hunter Valley Folk Club Inc, and agree to abide by the rules of the club as described in the Constitution.

.....  
*(signature of applicant)*

...../...../..... *(date)*

**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION ?**

I would prefer *Coaldust* to be available electronically - saving paper, printing, postage.

**OR**  I prefer to receive a printed copy of *Coaldust*.

**AND**

I would like to receive regular e-mailed news and updates on club activities ["Folk.E.News"]

**OR**  No updates (recognising there is no printed alternative to this)

*(If you would like to change your mind and start (or stop) receiving things by e-mail, just let us know!)*

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**PART 2: Optional** – so that we can better respond to the interests of our members (especially you!)

**WHAT TYPE OF MUSIC INTERESTS YOU?**

Traditional / Bush / Celtic / Contemporary / Blues / Ethnic / .....

Folk Dancing (.....) / Dance Calling / .....

**I LIKE TO -**

Play an instrument .....

Sing - solo / acapella / small group / choir / .....

Recite - verse / yarns / .....

Other Performing - .....

Artwork / Signwriting / newsletter production / puppetry /

stage managing

Anything else? .....

Please return this page (with the appropriate fee) to the Club at the next Club night - or post to -  
**Newcastle & Hunter Valley Folk Club,**  
P.O. Box 21  
HAMILTON NSW 2303

**MY PERFORMANCE LEVEL -**

In the audience (joining in the choruses)

Playing/singing in sessions,  
Walk-ups, Calls from the floor

Support act at a club night

The main act!

***"Beyond Cash" Payment Options***  
Cheque or MO to "*Newcastle & Hunter Valley Folk Club*"  
**OR** use Internet Banking to transfer the fee to our account  
( 986 082 902 ) at the Newcastle Permanent (BSB 650 000)  
*Put your name in comment field so we know who has paid.*