

Newkulele FESTIVAL

21 - 23 OCTOBER 2016 newkulelefestival.com

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THIRD NEWKULELE FESTIVAL DATES FINALLY CONFIRMED. FRIDAY 21 – SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2016 AT THE WONDERFUL NEWCASTLE JOCKEY CLUB!

After a long and nail-biting wait we are very happy to finally confirm the dates for our 3rd Newkulele Festival and are sure you won't want to miss a minute!

We received a very positive response from visitors to the NJC at the 2014 festival and are excited about continuing our relationship with the club once again. It has undergone a great deal of refurbishment since our last festival and you will now be accommodated in air conditioned comfort in all the venues! No circus tent this time but the atmosphere will still be vibrant.

PROGRAMME, WORKSHOPS & STALLS

We again have Jane Jelbart lining up top notch performers and are thrilled to announce the return of **James Hill** to our festival this time with his lovely wife **Anne Janelle**.

We also have, **The Nukes** (from NZ), **Mark Nelson** (from the US), **Sparrow Folk**, along with favourites like **Tyrone and Lesley**, so watch this space as Jane is still in negotiations with some other exciting performers. The format will once again be a ticketed concert on the Friday evening and another ticketed concert on Saturday evening. All-day community concerts and children's performances will be held in two venues as well as a very exciting line up of ticketed workshops. We also have a range of stall holders lined up for those who like a bit of 'retail therapy'.

COMMITTEE

Our committee, with many of the same members as last festival (see right) is once again beavering away. If there is anything you would like to know about the festival please approach any of the committee members (they won't bite!) and they will be more than happy to keep you all informed.

COORDINATORS

The committee is supported by a very skilled group of people who are coordinating their specialised areas. They cover graphic design, stalls, power, billeting, stage & lighting and of course our website and social media, so keep an eye on our Facebook page and the [website](#).

MARKETING

A big step for your 2016 Newkulele Festival Committee was the decision to commission the services of Big Bang Events, a professional events marketing organisation. Over the past few months Big Bang Events has been helping the committee plan for our festival and their involvement will help raise the profile of our Festival. They are also helping us with grant applications to attract funding for the festival.

GRANTS

Your committee is dedicated to continual improvement for each festival but it all costs money. For this reason we have submitted grant applications for our event. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful with our application to Destination NSW, but this month with the help of ukestran Sue Wines and Big Bang, we have submitted an

application for an events grant from Newcastle City Council and are awaiting the outcome.

So start getting excited because it's going to be a cracker, and of course we will once again be calling on all our fantastic volunteers, without whom we could never achieve all the things we have planned. Your support is so vital and brings such a great atmosphere to 'Your' festival and it's fun as well, so when Lindsay Freeman comes looking for volunteers be sure to put your hand up and be part of 'Team Newkulele!'

On behalf of the Festival Committee

Christine Garvin
Chairperson



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