

Rocky Mountain Fiddle Club

January 2015 Issue 13

Our mission is to encourage the playing of traditional Scottish fiddle music in Colorado



Meeting Schedule

2:00 - Super Slow Jam with Steve / Fast Track with Arlene

3:00 - Short Meeting

3:30 - Hooper's Jig - the dance

5:00 - Eat, drink, play, repeat

Next Meeting: February 8th

The February 8th meeting will be hosted by Martha Dicks

815 Sherman Street, Longmont CO 80501

Please bring a dish to share and BYOB

If you would like to host a club meeting, please contact Arlene at longmontrowie@gmail.com

Mark your
calendars...



2nd Annual Winter Weekend
March 27-29, 2015
Peaceful Valley Ranch

All Club Members attending are eligible for a \$100 discount to Rocky Mountain Fiddle Camp 2015!

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FIDDLE CLUB WINTER WEEKEND- it's not just for musicians!

MARCH 27 - 29, 2015 PEACEFUL VALLEY RANCH 475 Peaceful Valley Road Lyons, CO 80540 (303) 747-2881

A weekend of music sessions, workshops, a ceilidh, relaxation and loads of fun for EVERYONE! Don't miss out! Make your reservations NOW by contacting Peaceful Valley Ranch (303-747-2881) www.peacefulvalleyranch.com and email Arlene to let her know you're coming. longmonttrowie@gmail.com

Weekend includes 2 nights' accommodation, 6 meals, (Coffee/tea/soft drinks), all workshops and fireside chat events, Hospitality Cabin gatherings, jam sessions, Saturday evening ceilidh, use of swimming pool, hot tub, games room, fireside room, snow shoe and cross country trails. (see PVR website)... All the fun you can have and the best company to share the fun!

Bring a snack/beverage to share for the Hospitality Suite.

Children 3 and under FREE

Children 4 - 12 \$150.95

Adult (double occupancy) \$237.20

Adult (single occupancy) \$313.88

Price for weekend includes all taxes and gratuities.

Make your reservation NOW by calling PVR (303) 747-2881 (Be sure you tell them you're coming for the fiddle club winter weekend so you get the discounted rate.)

Workshops/Activities include: Steve Scott's Dynamic Drum Circle class, fiddle/cello/singing/story telling, playing tunes, learning back up techniques, fireside chats, ceilidh, silent auction* and more!

*Bring donations for the silent auction and bring your checkbook!

For info on Peaceful Valley Ranch facilities: www.peacefulvalley.com

For questions about PVR, call (303)-747-2881 For questions in general about fiddle club winter weekend, call Arlene Patterson (303) 776-9960

Chilly Willy Fiddle Festival

Saturday February 28th

4:30pm

Messiah Lutheran Church

14th and Francis in Longmont

Enter from backdoor

Playlist of tunes to follow

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER:

We have BIG plans. Concerts, workshops and retreats are all in the works. As of now, membership dues are our only source of income and fund all of our activities. We hope to establish a scholarship fund and plan to take a trip to Scotland/Ireland within the next couple of years, so if anyone has any fundraising ideas, we'd love to hear from you.

A huge thank you to those of you who have already paid 2015 membership. (\$60 per family and \$25 if you live more than 25 miles from Longmont.) You will receive a membership card. If you haven't done so already, please make your check out to:

Rocky Mountain Fiddle Club and mail to:

RMFC, c/o Martha Dicks, 815 Sherman Street, Longmont, CO 80501

Carry the Tune showing again in Boulder

February 3rd - 7:00 pm at the Dairy Center performance space

The Silver Creek Fiddle Group will perform before the showing, and there will be a Q&A afterwards

February 4th - 4:30 pm Boedecker Theater at the Dairy Center

February 5th - 7:00 pm Boedecker Theater (3 Story Limit vocal group will sing before)

Tickets can be purchased here: www.tickets.carrythetune.com

See their website for more information

www.carrythetune.com

Tunes of the month

East Neuk of Fife
Garster's Dream
On the Wings of a Scourie
Peter's Peerie Boat
The Isle of Man Hornpipe

In the Archives

Sweet Marie
King George Strathspey and Reel
De'il Amang the Tailors
Farewell to Whiskey
Highland Whiskey (Strathspey)
The Left-Handed Fiddler (Reel)
Farewell to Chernobyl
Buchanan Birch
The Rakes of Kildare
Willaford
Campbell's Farewell to Red Gap
Highland Laddie
Catharsis
Raivlin Reel
Da Slockit Light
Bonnie Tammie Scolla
Flying Home to Shelley
Spoostiskerry
Off she goes
Mhairie's Wedding
Och Mar a Ha Mi

How to access the dropbox account

- 1) go to dropbox.com
- 2) Click "Sign In" (NOT, "Sign Up")
- 3) Enter rmfcdropbox@gmail.com as the email
- 4) Enter `dropbox` as the password
- 5) Click the various links to download





James MacQueen Senior Recital

*March 1st, 7:30 pm, Hamilton Recital Hall, Lamont School of Music,
2344 E. Iliff Ave., Denver, CO.*

Admission is free, reception to follow.

*Parking garage on Warren and University, street parking in surrounding
blocks may or may not be available.*

*Brahms: Sonata No. 1 in G major for Violin and Piano
Prokofie: Violin Concerto No. 2 in G minor*

New Year's at Peaceful Valley

NYE PARTY

FEEDBACK: We had a terrific time on New Year's Eve at Peaceful Valley Ranch. If you have comments or suggestions for next year's party, we welcome your input. If you have photos to share, please email them to Arlene at longmonttrowie@gmail.com We have reserved Peaceful Valley Ranch for next year's NYE party, so put it on your calendar right now. The event was sold out and will be again.



Minutes from RMFC meeting

Sunday Jan. 11th, 2015

- Many thanks to Cynthia Jennings for hosting the January meeting in her beautiful new home which was formally blessed with a lovely rendition of Morning Has Broken, led by James MacQueen.
- 19 musicians were in attendance. Steve Scott led the slow jam and Arlene Patterson led fast track.
- All tunes covered in both sessions are available in the dropbox.
- James MacQueen invited us to his senior recital
- There was discussion of possible meeting places for regular Scottish music sessions in the Longmont area. Suggested places included coffee shops and local breweries. Research is on-going. Anyone interested in helping investigate meeting places need only be willing to consume beverages and play a few tunes.
- Nancy Holland's annual Chilly Willy event is on
- We are all encouraged to participate and a list of tunes to be played is forthcoming.
- 2015 membership due now.
- \$60 per family (\$25 if you live more than 25 miles from Longmont) Mail checks made out to Rocky Mountain Fiddle Club to RMFC c/o Martha Dicks, 815 Sherman St., Longmont CO 80501



I am happy to promote the 12th Annual Colorado Dulcimer Festival coming up the first weekend of February right here in the metro area. This is not to be missed if you play mountain or hammered dulcimer or dabble in guitar or ukulele. There will be many familiar artists and teachers including the 2014 HD Champion, Karen Alley, now a resident of Boulder.

All information is available at the festival link:

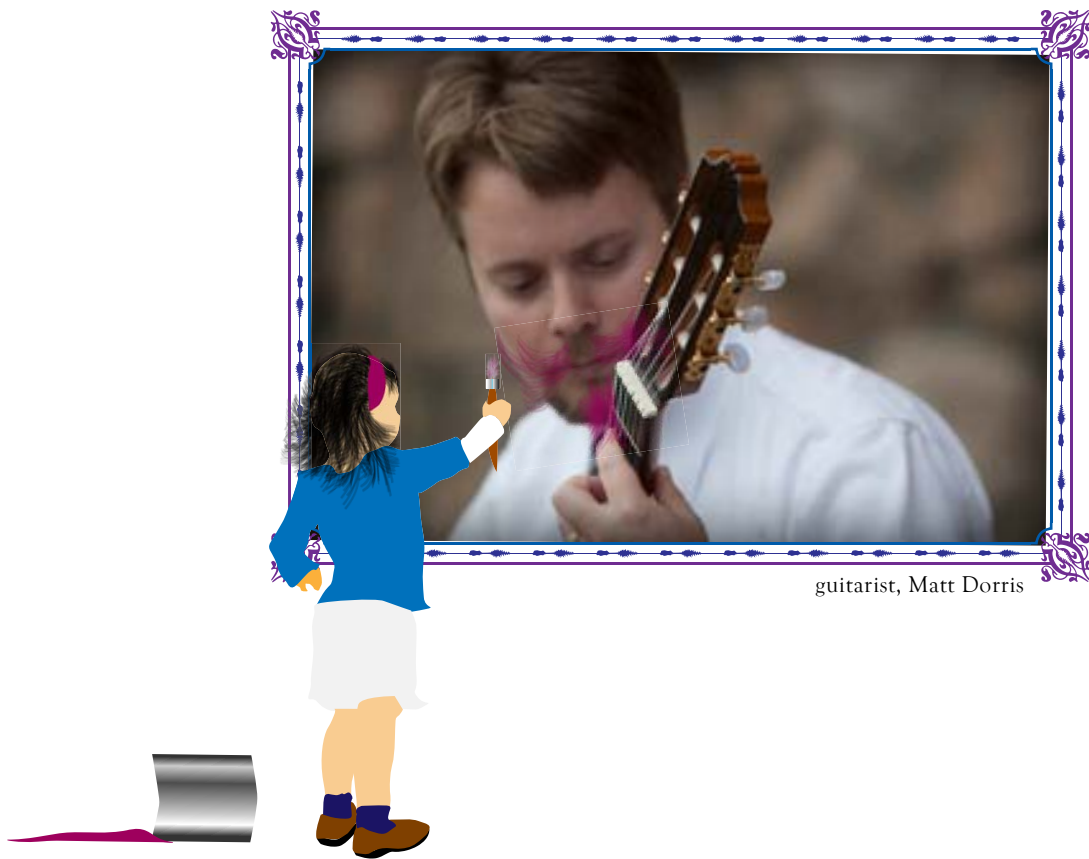
<http://www.coloradodulcimerfestival.com/>

Tickets to the two high-energy evening concerts are available at the door. Some of the best moments happen when these talented players come together to make great spontaneous music.

Kathy Straw

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guitarist, Matt Dorris

\$5 per person or \$15 per family

NOT SO CLASSICAL GUITAR

*February 7th, 4:00pm
Central Presbyterian Church
402 Kimbark Street
Longmont, CO*

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Abby Newton Cello Retreat Newsletter Winter 2014-15

www.abbynewton.com

2014 was a great year at our four cello retreats. (See below for scenes and sayings)
Mark your calendars for 2015! These are dates under consideration for the Retreats.
Please help spread the news.

June 18-21, Thursday – Sunday Cello Retreat

July 16-19, Thursday – Sunday Cello Retreat (date to be confirmed)

Aug 13-16, Thursday – Sunday Cello/Fiddle Retreat

Guest Artist, Rosie Newton-fiddle

Oct 8-11, Thursday – Sunday Advanced Cello/Fiddle Retreat

Guest Artist, David Greenberg-fiddle



It was your beautiful cello playing that — along with the Bach Suites — that made me want to study that instrument, which I finally began doing at the age of forty-eight. I love your solo albums and listen to them often, so haunting. Patricia

The ambiance is the woods and rolling land of a spacious and beautiful home in Shokan, NY. The studio in which we practiced is astonishingly hospitable. The space is light-filled and conducive to playing

music together. I can't say enough about the cellist Abby. Elly



There is nothing like being steeped in something you love with other like-minded cool folk. Mel

I just attended the cello retreat and had a blast!!! Playing Scottish music, with a truly awesome cellist (Abby) was the best way to spend a long weekend. Cello, Scotland, Music = Perfection. Lena



The music shared at the Ceilidh was inspiring. I am spending some time listening and learning tunes from Abby's CDs and books and hope to see everyone sometime within the next year so I can play them with you. Paul

I loved the pairing off of people to work on master class tunes - such an amazing playground for learning and applying accompaniment ideas. Maria

As always, if you no longer wish to be on this mailing list simply reply and write "unsubscribe" in the subject line, or let me know if you are receiving duplicates.



ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIDDLE CLUB

10 reasons to join

10. **Regular** monthly workshops are free to members.*
9. Tunes no self-respecting Scottish fiddle player can leave unlearned! Membership (including out of state) entitles you to your very own copy of **Smashing Scottish Session tune book and practice CD compiled by Barbara McOwen** (\$15 for non-members)
8. **Discounted club events, such as Winter Weekend.**
7. **Fiddle club newsletter** delivered to your email inbox every month.
6. **Volunteer opportunities.** Help organize special events, club gigs, suggest new tunes to learn, write simplified parts for beginning players, or write an article for the newsletter. Maybe you have another idea. Tell us about it.
5. **Host a meeting of the fiddle club in your own home.** Always wanted to have lots of wonderful live music going on in your home? Here's your chance! Be the envy of your neighbors.
4. **Teach a class.** We are always in need of workshop leaders. What's your Scottish music passion? Share it in a workshop!
3. **Learn fabulous Scottish music.**
2. **Guaranteed** good music, fun, and companionship.
1. You will be a **member of Colorado's Coolest Celtic music Club ever!**

Classifieds

MINT CONDITION FRENCH CAMAC 34 STRING HARP - \$3250

Comes with velvet cover, sturdy gig bag, wooden stool with corduroy seat, and extra strings. Contact Arlene at longmonttrowie@gmail.com

FRENCH *MICHAEL JAMONNEAU* ¾ BOW - \$1500

Permambouco stick, Ebony nut, and Silver button Hand made. Has documents. Contact Arlene

SERIES 260 ¾ STRUNAL VIOLIN - \$375

Czechoslovakian made, spruce top, maple sides and back. Canvas backpack case, German Vitali pernambuco wood bow. Has the matching, original Strunal tag and inside violin is listed the model number and serial number.

Listed online at www.musiciansfriend.com or www.wwbw.com for \$469.99, MSRP for \$550.00.

Playable as is, new hair and bridge may be necessary.

Contact Kate Ross - 303-652-2486

CZECH 1/8 VIOLIN - \$250

Includes sturdy plywood case and wood bow. Needs new strings, bow rehair, and some assembly. Higher quality than Suzuki for its size.

Contact Kate Ross - 303-652-2486

1/32 VIOLIN - \$200

One piece back, better quality. Plywood case and wood bow. Needs new strings and bow rehair. Contact Kate Ross - 303-652-2486

7/8 STUDENT QUALITY, FRENCH VIOLIN - \$100

No case, needs sound post placed. Includes wood student bow, needs rehair.

Contact Kate Ross - 303-652-2486

NOVELS BY CLARE ADAMSON

Three wonderful books written by our own Clare Adamson. Stories inspired by her time in Ireland, available at amazon.com/clareaustin or at her website clareaustin.com

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