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3RD AUSSIE SINGLE HITS TOP 5!

A note of thanks to all the DJ's who gave this single 'Roses in the Snow' a spin and to all the Supporters who requested it. It reached the Top 5 on the Australian chart and for such a traditional sounding Bluegrass tune that was a real achievement.

RELEASE OF THE 4th AUSTRALIAN SINGLE

It's out!... the fourth single from the 'Changes' album has been released to Aussie Radio a few weeks ago. It's a song called 'The Healing Kind' and is a great little tear jerker ballad to see out the winter with. If you are a DJ, please give it a spin or if you listen to a regular Radio Show please re-


Greetings!... Well... here we are... late again!!, I can't believe it!... I was determined to get this newsletter out on time... everything was going so well. William was finally sleeping through the night & I'm seeing clearly again! ..I didn't even have many gigs these last months so I was certain this one would be out on time, but here we are, late again! There is good reason for this however, including little William turning 1 (can you believe it!) crawling, walking & even talking a little!... but mainly because we've had to hang an 'Unclean' sign on our door for the last couple of months after all 3 of us here have had a shocking run of over 8 weeks now of repeat attacks of flu, tonsillitis, croup, bronchialitis... & the rest! I don't think we've had such a bad run for many years. I was lucky in that there weren't too many gigs but unfortunately Galston Country Music Fest. came up a little too soon with me still feeling rotten & having not much of a voice for that one... but then again, I was one of the first acts on and as a storm threatened to wash out the day, there was hardly anyone watching at that point so it wasn't so bad. After a few hours the weather did improve & it turned into a good day... so I hope much money was raised afterall. This is however, the July Newsletter so I will now pretend it's still July and tell you all the news from then & leave it to the next issue to catch you up on more recent news which won't be far away...*Karen x*

GIG & TOUR NEWS

It was lovely to meet so many friends up at the inaugural Cessnock Country Music Festival in May. Many thanks to Rhonda and Greg for all the hard work organising it and to the ladies who watched little William while Martin & myself were performing. Obviously the organisers have to change their artists each year, but I hope we get to perform there again one day! Thanks to all those who came along to our Bluegrass gigs in June with 'Acoustic Shock'. We apologise for Jim Rush not being able to be there on short notice however his daughter was in a bad car accident, so life has been very difficult for him and his family. We did however, struggle on & do the gigs with the remainder of the band but it's always hard when there's someone missing. Lovely also to catch up with Olive & Gordon, plus Graham (one of my 'Kettlewell' cousins) & family at the Jamberoo pub gig (I know that being a top Jazz horn player himself, it must



Myself, Norma Smith, Michelle South & William at the Wisemans Ferry Inn

have been quite difficult for Graham to listen to 4 hours of country music!... a mark of respect perhaps?.. (mmm, more likely they tied him to the chair!?). It was also great to catch up with Jim & Robyn Fullard again, old friends from my early days with the South Coast Country Music Association (SCCMA)... lots of good memories there!



Myself, Marty & Rhonda (Organiser, Cessnock Festival)

We also had a lovely 'day out' recently at Wisemans Ferry where Pat Drummond was playing. Pat has actually just had his 20 year Anniversary of

playing monthly gigs there and for an artist, that's one incredible achievement! Of course it turned into a gig for us with Marty doing a few tunes with him and myself singing a few songs whilst



William sitting where daddy will always find

MY SPACE SITE:- Thanks to my computer whiz sister Liz Frencham, I have a my space site... I know that it's been a struggle updating the main Web site at the moment (www.karenlynne.com), but at least it means you can say hello to me a different way!... come and say hello and 'be my friend'!, the address is <http://profile.myspace.com/karenlynnemusic>

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William was kept very happy by Norma & Mouse (Michelle). Thanks to Bill & the members of the Blacktown CM Club who showed their appreciation for our spot there in June. I also managed my first 48 hours away from my bub - happening due to the bad weather, storms and floods in the hunter region making it far more dangerous to go to Nelson Bay for some gigs with the whole family, as originally planned. I ended up going myself and getting my first babyfree night in many a month but not surprisingly, I still woke up every hour, on the hour!... (but I suppose I got to sleep in). Nice to meet some old friends at the Nelson Bay Bowlo and a shame that the weather was so bad for the town's first 'Blue Water Festival', regardless we had fun. Thanks to Natalie & Mark Foley for the gig at the lovely 'Acito's' Restaurant in Hawk's Nest - great food, great people & great music! so make sure you drop in next time you're there. Thanks to Richard Galluzzi and the organisers of the 'Macquarie Towns Music Club' (Richmond) for setting up a gig for us & even though Jim (& Quentin!) were sorely missed, we still did a lovely acoustic set which seemed to go down well. Bad weather seemed to dominate those few months as our gig as part of the 'Winter Solstice' Festivities at the Everglades gardens in Leura was also pretty washed out. Our babysitter also got washed out! so William just had to



Pat caught 'holding the baby'! (& loving it!)

come along (with the idea that he'd be in the pram during the set). It worked for a while until Charley, Quentin's little boy (who also lost his babysitter at short notice!), showed him it was much more fun being 'out' of the pram and he just had to be given his freedom also. As it was a horribly cold, misty, rainy, winters day we had a small marquee covering us all, so we just laid out the rubber backed blanket for the kids. Surprisingly, William seemed quite happy to stay on the rug as long as we were close & he could hear the music. At one point he crawled to the centre of the stage, sat himself at mummy's feet & happily surveyed the proceedings but didn't cause the slightest stir (and yes, I've included the photo on page 3 for you!). I guess it's not something you could do at a high profile gig but most other artists cancelled & very few audience turned up, so those who were there (including the organisers), were just happy for the music to be happening at all! Lastly, it was nice to catch up with the SCCMA members at the Luncheon show in July, I hope to perform at another one soon. Most gig opportunities in July & August are cancelled due to illness but we'll be back on deck in September, see Gig guide.



On stage at Cessnock Festival

GIG GUIDE

- Sat, 8th Sept, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, West Pennant Hills School Fete
- Sun 9th Sept, 10.45am, Karen Lynne, Galston Country Music Festival, Fagan Park-
- Sun, 22nd Sept, 6pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, 'Pat & Friends' Blue Mountains Weekend Away & Dinner Show, The Chalet, Medlow Bath
- Fri, 28th Sept, Pat Drummond and Karen Lynne, Parkes Services Club Auditorium, Parkes Country Music Festival, Enquiries Cheryl (02) 6862 3593
- Sat, 29th Sept, 3pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Centennial Hotel, Gulgong,
- Sun, 30th Sept, 3pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Park Hotel, 201 George Street, Bathurst
- Sat, 6th Oct, Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, & "The Bushwackers" at the 'Country comes to Pearl Beach' Festival, Pearl Beach Native Arboretum, Crystal Avenue, Pearl Beach. Fundraiser for the Guide Dogs NSW, \$33 tickets, for Info ring Lynne on (02) 4344 2319, starts at 12 noon
- Sat, 13th Oct, Karen Lynne & Friends, SCCMA Bluegrass & Acoustic Night, Mt Kembla Heights, Community Hall (To be confirmed - ring 0407 603277)
- Sun, 14th Oct, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Nelson Bay Bowling Club, Stockton St, Nelson Bay, ring (02) 4981 1272 for details
- Sat, 27th Oct, 2pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Bellconnon Soccer Club, Belconnon, ACT, New Club Extensions Opening Celebration
- Sun, 28th Oct, 2pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Jamberoo Pub, Jamberoo
- Tues, 30th Oct, Karen Lynne & Pat Drummond, Motor Neurone Disease Association of NSW Meeting, 1.00pm - 3.00pm, Kingswood
- Sat, 3rd Nov, 8pm, Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, Sydney Bluegrass & Trad. Country Music Association (B&TCMA), Annandale Comm Centre, Johnston St, Annandale (To be confirmed)
- Fri 16th - Sun 18th Nov, Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, Harrierville Bluegrass Convention
- Sat 24th Nov, Karen Lynne, Guest Spot, Gold Medallion Country Music Awards Night, Hexham Bowling Club, Hexham
- Sun, 25th Nov, 10am, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, White Ribbon Day Concert, Kiama Town Hall, Kiama
- Sun, 25th Nov, 2pm, Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Jamberoo Pub, Jamberoo
- Sat, 1st Dec, 8pm, Karen & Friends, B&TCMA, Annandale Community Centre, Johnston St

(Right) Charley 'helping' his daddy practise his songs & (Far Right) William eating Daddy's fingerpicks,...



Jim & Robyn Fullard, Dad, William & Nigel Lever



(L to R)Cousin Graham, Caroline & Samantha Kettlewell, Gordon & Olive Dutton & us, Jamberoo



Little William - Centre Stage



Climbing the Ulm Munster,.. all 1575 steps!

NEW "SINGLES" CD

Just thought we'd let you know of a new Karen Lynne CD to hit the shops in a few months. It won't be of much interest to our 'Die hard' supporters who already have every album! but for those out there who have wanted a Karen Lynne CD, but don't know which one to pick, this might be just the perfect solution to that quandry! It will be a compilation of many of the radio singles I've released over the years and will contain 15 tracks - 3 from each of my albums. 'Singles' used to be just that, actual records/tapes/CDs pressed with only 1 or 2 songs and released either for purchase - or to Radio stations in order to 'concentrate' the airplay of a particular song and therefore hopefully have it played enough to make the Music Charts. These days 'Singles' are not generally manufactured in plastic (although some artists still do this) as it's very expensive per unit (especially when the song is already/or will be available on an album). Instead 'singles' are sent to radio as part of a 'Radio Compilation' through companies that organise this. What is important is that these tracks are usually considered the 'best' or should we say most 'radio friendly' songs from each album and therefore they tend to 'sum up' the style of an album as a whole. It will also be able to be used as a Radio promotional tool. Anyway, it's called "Karen Lynne, The Singles" and is out soon. Also, as you have all shown your support of my music over the years, you will get a special price offer,.. so stay tuned!



On stage with Mummy!



Peggy Parsons, Marty & William at the Cessnock CM Festival



William turned 1 in May, thanks for the cards to those that sent them,.. very sweet of you!,.. He's now quite tall, over 11 kgs, has 10 teeth and is at that truly beautiful stage where everything fascinates him, everything is exciting, fun and enormously amusing!

... And the Journey Continues

... & it's back to our Europe tour!, Denmark was just lovely but it was very soon time to leave and we headed south for Germany. We found Germany fascinating and very beautiful in the parts that we visited. It's a place that needs a proper holiday to really digest. We were stationed around Ulm (in the south), close to the Bavarian Alps and it's a very beautiful 'traditional' town with a lot of lovely old architecture and scenery. We were given the full tour of the town by Monika Finke, who, along with her husband Eberhard, were our hosts. Our tour included a walk along the 'Blue Danube' River and afternoon tea in the city centre and of course a climb to the top of the 'Ulm Munster', a minster with the tallest steeple in Europe. The walk was exhausting, 1575 steps,.. and we climbed them all without incident (oh,.. except Liz who got a bit dizzy and fell down 10 or so,..), but the view at the top was breathtaking. They say on a clear day you can see the Bavarian Alps,.. and I believe it. We had a great gig which was well attended by a lovely bunch of country music enthusiasts called 'Friends Kotz'. Also on the bill that night was local singer Mandy Strobel who played some great songs,.. and even a couple with Marty, Quentin, Nigel and Liz who jumped up to help out. We also played at a lovely Brunch cafe the following morning,.. 'Danny's Cafe' where it surprised us that they were so willing to listen to Bluegrass while downing their brunch, but they loved it. Of course our Mascot 'Pupster' (below) was getting up to mischief (as the guys were enjoying stealing him away from Liz only to take photos of him in compromising situations that Liz would never have allowed,.. in fact she wasn't fully aware of what he got up to until we returned home and



Acoustic Shock, on stage, Cessnock Fest.



Some Danish Architecture

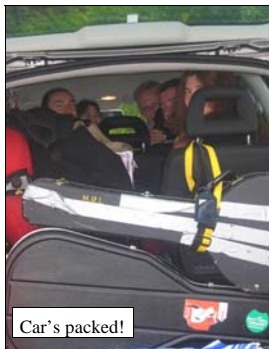


Some German Architecture

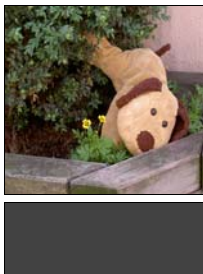


Mandy Strobel on stage w/Acoustic

... Ok, so we ate some junk food!!!



Car's packed!



Looking up at the Ulm Munster



**LABOUR OF LOVE
(1998)**

Karen Lynne - First Solo Album
KLF0704 - 001/SR 15
(16 Tracks)
Contains a mix of both Traditional & Contemporary Country, Folk & Bluegrass (3 originals).



**SIX DAYS IN DECEMBER
(2000)**

Karen Lynne & Pat Drummond
Duet Album (11 tracks)
KLF0704 - 002/SR18
Contains a number of Duet & Solo tracks from Karen & Pat . All tracks are Australian (10 Orig) Country/folk in style



**BLUE MOUNTAIN RAIN -
(2001)**

Karen Lynne & Martin Louis
Collaboration (18 tracks)
KLF0704 - 003/SR 20
Genuine Australian Bluegrass!, featuring Acoustic Shock Bluegrass Band & many great Aussie players (1 orig & 2 instrum.)



**SECOND WIND -
(2003)**

Karen Lynne - Solo Album
KLF0704 - 004/SR 38
(14 Tracks)
Contains a mix of Traditional & Contemporary Country Music including a duet with Grant Richardson. (3 originals)

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**CHANGES
(2006)**

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