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3RD SINGLE AT NO 12 & STILL RISING!!

Nov 2002 marked the third single released from the Blue Mountain Rain album and following two Top 10 singles it too is doing very well - currently sitting at No 12 and still climbing the chart. Regardless of whether it makes the Top 10 also,.... we think that's a great result! but it would be nice to make it Third time lucky!

FIRST SINGLE FROM SECOND WIND

A Great response has been received so far from the release of the first single, "This Man I Love" from the new album. Now is the time to get in and promote it, and I've been snowed under trying to get it out there and on your local radio station,.. but it's quite a difficult task. You can also help by simply ringing your local community Radio station or local ABC and asking them to play the song. Many community stations have my album in their catelogue now, but if they say they don't,... I am certainly willing to get them a copy quíck smart!.

Award Win for "Blue Mountain Rain"

Good news following no less than 9 Award Nominations, as our Bluegrass Album "Blue Mountain Rain" picked up the Major Independent Award in the National section of the Victorian Country Music Awards. This Award was for "Best Independent Release" and we were lucky enough to be there at the Awards ceremony which left us truly speechless (rare for me!). Thanks to all the organisers and of course all those of you who have supported and believed in this album throughout this last year.

have always tried not to let Awards become any sort of measure of one's ability, but I can't deny that it's nice to be recognised occasionally in this way.

Whilst in Victoria we also had a chance to catch some of the Whittlesea Festival which made it a great little trip, special thanks also to Merelyn & David Carter who returned the favour and let us stay over.



GREETINGS!!

Hello once again from me!,... I'm sorry it has been so long since I have written. 2003 is Certainly stacking up to be a busy year!,.... it's only March and I feel like Christmas was a year ago!.

A big thank you to all those who came to the Tamworth launch. It was a little bumpy to say the least, ... what with not getting access to the room until late, then losing a player etc, etc but we got thru OK, it was nice to know so many people supported it.

Thankyou also to Jenny Harris and Rhonda Astill who sent us some festival piccies they'd taken - I love taking photos myself but Can't do it when I'm on stage so it's espe-Cially nice that others take the time to send us one!,

Thankyou Muchly,..!!! - Karen

INVITATION SYDNEY ALBUM LAUNCH

It is with great pleasure that I extend this invitation to you all to attend the Sydney Album Launch for my new Solo album "Second Wind". As well as showcasing some of the songs from the new album you'll see a great show with other guest artists including Pat Drummond, Allan Caswell & Bob Howe and his Hillbilly Heaven Band. Also I will be joining Pat for a set.

DATE: Friday, 25th April 2003 PLACE: Cantebury Hurlstone Park RSL Club.

> TIME: 8pm Everyone Welcome (Possibly a \$2 cover charge)

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GIG GUIDE

* Based on Current Info known - Details may change

APOLOGY

Sat Feb 22, 8pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Victoria Hotel, Hinton Sun Feb 23, 12noon - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Wisemans's Ferry Inn Wed March 12, 8pm - Karen Lynne, Bill Kelly's Country Show, Ingleburn RSL Sat March 15, 2.30pm - Karen Lynne, Main Stage, Penrith Valley festival Sat March 15, 7pm - Karen Lynne, Promo Spot @ Crawdaddys Rest - Penrith Wed March 19, 8.30pm - Karen Lynne, Spot at the Australian Premiere of "On The Brink" Movie - the Edge Cinema, Katoomba

Sun March 23, 3pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Glenbrook Bowling Club Wed April 2, 12pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Kedron Wavel Club, Brisbane April 3 - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Noble Lakeside Resort, Monarch drive Kingscliffe NSW For Details Contact Clive and Phil Jackson (02) 6674 0938 jacksonsq@ezweb.com.au

Fri April 4 - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Pioneer Village CM Club Pine Rivers, Brisbane QLD for bookings - Garth & Ruth Pocock 07 3284 6441 Sun April 13, 2pm - Karen Lynne, Ill. Folk Club Support - Roy Bailey, Bridge St Theatre, Coniston Sun April 20, 3pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Glenbrook Bowling Club Fri April 25, 6am - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Anzac Brekky, Rooty Hill RSL Fri April 25, 1pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Lounge, Rooty Hill RSL Sat April 26, 12noon - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne Canowindra Balloon Fest, Canowindra 30 Apr - May 5, Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, Katherine Country Music Muster, NT Fri May 9, Karen Lynne, Andrew Clermonts Show, Armidale (Venue TBA, Ring me for info) Sat May 10, 7pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne The Entrance Bowling Club, The Entrance Sun May 11, 12noon - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne Wisemans's Ferry Inn Sun May 18 2pm - Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock Jamberoo Hotel * Sun May 25, 3pm - Karen Lynne Duo Glenbrook Bowling Club (Ring and check this gig first - there's a possibility it will be cancelled) Wed May 28-29 - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Moree Trade Show, Moree Fri May 30 - 31 - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Mungandi Show, Mungandi Fri June 6-8 - Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, "Hat's off" Mid Year Festival, Tamworth

Fri June 20-22 - Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock, Ausgrass Bluegrass Convention, Wagga

Sat July 5, 7pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Wyong RSL, Wyong

Sun July 6, 1pm - Pat Drummond & Karen Lynne, Mean Fiddler Pub, Windsor

Sat July 19, 9pm - Karen Lynne & Acoustic Shock Great Southern Hotel, Berry

Due to the current Chaos please forgive me for not having Updated the Web Site as yet, will do soon!

http://www.karenlynne.com

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SONG "THIS RING" USED IN MOVIE

Our song "This Ring" from the Bluegrass album has been used in an Australian movie.

The movie "Martha's New Coat" was created by a Sydney based company and produced by Rachel Ward and Bryan Brown. We've just attended the preview which was great and it was a real buzz to say the least to hear the song come wafting out of the screen at us!.

I should add that the song itself actually had a small "feature" part in the script which was a surprise for us. It will be screened on SBS later in the year and if they tell me when,.... I'll keep you informed.

How you can help!,...Occasionally i get supporters asking me if there's anything they can do to help,... well there is!. There are a couple of local Sydney stations playing Country & Bluegrass that give very little airplay support,.. but I think they just need to know that people out there want to hear us!,... if you live in the Sydney area do us a favour and give them a call and ask them to play a track!. Call Cool Country Radio (O2) 9623 6333 anytime,.. and 2RRR during the "Chicken HotRod Bluegrass Show" Sun 10-noon 2RRR (O2) 98162938.

"Second Wind" Launched

The official launch was held in Tamworth at the Festival, and I thank everyone who came along. Unfortunately we were plagued with a number of unforeseen problems on the day which meant it was a little 'bumpy' to say the least,... but we got through. Thanks go to Buzz, Allan, Pat, Warren (who filled in on short notice) and Bob who were the band for the day & Joan Douglas from Southgate Inn for making the "Scully Room" available. The album is slowly finding it's way out there,... Thank you for all the raves about it so far and the wonderful reviews which will be on the web site in the next month or so. The Sydney Launch was originally scheduled for May but has now been moved to April 25 to coincide with a show I'm doing at Cantebury Hurlstone Park RSL Club as an Anzac Day special. This show will not only allow people to hear some of the songs from the new album, but also to see a great Anzac Day show including the Hillbilly Heaven Band and guest appearances from Pat Drummond & Allan Caswell as well.

GETTING OUR CDS IN SHOPS

Sometimes I'm asked why you can't get our CDs in the shops,.. well you can - it just means the sales person has to look it up on a data base to order them, so often they won't be bothered to try. All of our product is listed on the AEROS Data Base and distributed by Shoestring Records in Leura, any shop can order them,... - if they want to! ,...next time don't let them give you the brush-off and ask them to look it up for you!



WALLY AWARD WIN!!

I've just been very surprised to hear that following my appearances at the Tamworth Festival I have received the "Most Promising Act" Award. This Award is given out annually by Wally Sparrow, journalist for the Stock Journel, SA.

Past winners include Troy Casser Daley, Rosemary Rae, The Wolverines and T C Cassidy,.... so this one was a real surprise!.

WORK BEGINS ON BLUEGRASS ALBUM

Song selection is currently underway for the new Bluegrass album, planned for 2004. Anyone knowing of any writers that include Bluegrass as one of their styles should let them know we are looking for mate-

...& the journey continues

From the shores of England I had barely arrived home and unpacked the suitcase when I was wisked off by Pat Drummond to join himself and Andrew Clermont at the

Bullarah Bush Expo. If you ever get the chance to go,.. go!. This is a real Bush festival with not only good music, but lots of food and cake stalls, dog lotto (you have to place bets on which tyre the dog lifts his leg on!?), and the Dog jumping trials where the dogs have to jump up over the tailgate into the back

of a ute. That's fine to start off with as a tail gate isn't that high,... but timber is used to gradually increase the height,.. it was quite amazing for a semi-city slicker like me to watch the winning dog jump over 8 feet into the ute,... anyway we had a ball!. Then it was home again and a few weeks to clear the back log of paperwork and do a spot at the Galston



UK Tour 1999 - Our Trio L to R Marty (5 string Dobro) Me, Rufus (guitar)

Country Music Festival. This is a beautiful Festival held in the North of Sydney in the most wonderful natural ampitheatre ever seen. It was a great show and again I got the chance to do a few songs with

Pat,... songs that were becoming quite popular with the audiences. It was about then I was starting to think about a new album. I'd released 2 singles from the Labour of Love album "Grandma Used to Say" reaching

No.1 on the HotFM Chart in Mildura and making the Top 20 national the chart: and "Half the Moon" making the Top 20 in both charts also,... it was time for some followup,... but it seemed that the shows with Pat were getting much too great a response to

ignore,... it was about then that we both realised that we needed to put both our solo albums on hold and make a collaborative album. So plans were started for a Duet album instead. 1999 was also the first time I'd been picked to appear at the Mildura CM festival & it was pretty special being that I had also been nominated for two Awards - Femaile Vocal & Album of the Year for (labour of Love). Again I didn't win but Top 4 was a pretty good debut,... anyway didn't matter,.. I had more important things to think about, for a start I had a wedding to plan!

SEND IT DOWN HUEY

More Good news as one of the "Second Wind" tracks is chosen for the CD Compilation produced to raise funds to help those effected by the severe drought we have been experiencing in many parts of Australia at this current time. The song selected was the Pat Drummond penned song "The Outback's Been Getting the Rain", and whilst you might question such a songs' relevance to the drought I should add that the organisers decided that there should be a number of "hopeful" songs on the album as well as songs about hardship on the land. Being only one of 6 independents that had material used - out of 20 tracks, it was a great compliment to be selected. The album is called "Send It Down Huey" and is available from all record stores around Australia.

Support for Peter Rowan

Occasionally in this business you get lucky,... and lucky we did(!) when myself and Acoustic Shock were asked to play the Canberra support for great US Bluegrass and traditional Country act Peter Rowan. It was a really great concert,... we had a ball and Peter was fantastic. I was really impressed (and I have to say I don't impress easily!),... tired from having just flown in from somewhere - especially for a man of his age (he's no spring chicken!),... he was amazing!. His voice was very clear and his notes were very true and his guitar work excellent. Even tired, he played two quite long sets to a packed room ,... great night!.



Jim, Nigel, Peter Rowan, Me, Marty, Quentin

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