

Canterbury Family Festival of Music

Waipara Valley

Easter 2004 9-12 April



"The best little folk festival anywhere!"

- Folk • Roots • Acoustic • Blues • World Music
- Celtic • A Cappella • Dance • Poetry
- Storytelling & Children's Programme

In the heart of Canterbury's wine growing region.

About the Festival

Lovers of music and dance will gather at the 29th Canterbury Festival at what is billed as "the best little folk festival anywhere!"

The 2004 festival will be held in the picturesque and historic Waipara Valley, nestled in the heart of North Canterbury's famous vineyards and sited on the Waipara River. International acts from around the globe, plus the very best of New Zealand and Canterbury performers come together in this annual celebration of folk culture. We are delighted to be in the beautiful Hurunui and invite you to join us in an incredible musical memory-making weekend.

Volunteers of The Christchurch Folk Festival Inc. present the festival – a non-profit incorporated body with the aim of promoting, performing and preserving folk music, song and dance.

Why not join the festival choir, learn a new instrument, tune or song at one of the workshops. Step out and play in a blackboard concert, enjoy a jam session or simply just kick back and relax!

- **Concerts** • **Workshops** • **Liars Brunch** • **Barn Dance** • **Blackboard Concerts**
- **Limerick Contest** • **Instrument Workshops** • **Poetry & Storytelling** • **Café**
- **Dance Displays** • **Kids Concerts** • **Sessions** • **Festival Choir** • **Music Shop**

International Performers

• Emily Smith Band

Celtic music from the bright young stars of the Scottish music scene

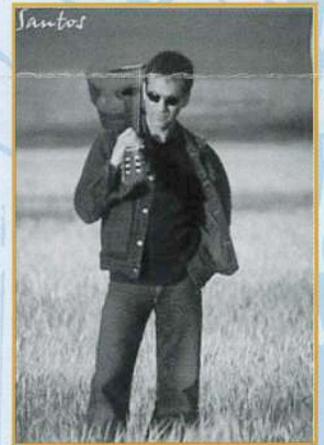
With thought-provoking arrangements and a playing expertise to match, this young band have already played at UK and European festivals to critical acclaim.



• Jigsaw

is Australia's latest "hot property" in the contemporary folk music scene

All all-too-rare opportunity to hear music that is filled with hope and passion and drive, illuminating lyrics and dynamic instrumentation, lush harmonies and joyous energy.



• Santos Bonacci & Alejandro Florez

A fusion of Flamenco, Latin and Jazz

Melbourne based guitarist Santos and his regular accompanist Alejandro create a highly refined and original style, with a hint of Santana and Gypsy Kings.

National Performers

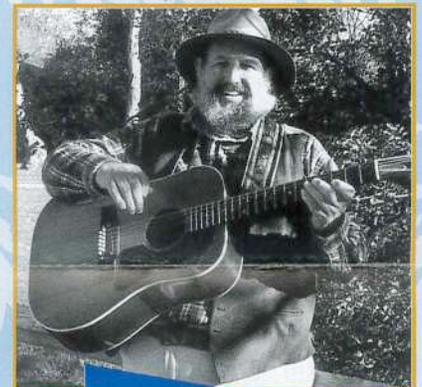
• Phil Garland

Phil Garland is a unique "Songcatcher" who has spent forty years writing, recording and collecting Kiwi folksong, winning numerous awards and gaining international respect as New Zealand's "foremost and finest heritage balladeer."



• Flip Grater

"from lover's whisper to biting anger" Influenced by many music genre, Flip is creating her own chanteuse niche amidst the christchurch music scene. Evocative of many female vocalists you will have heard, Flip brings a highly personal viewpoint to her songs. Heartfelt and intelligent lyrics and a smooth as honey voice



MORE ARTISTS TO BE CONFIRMED

• Canterbury Crutchings Bush & Ceilidh Band

It's been 27 years between drinks for this inspirational band, who first joined forces in 1972 to play for Barn and Woolshed dances. In its heyday, the band was hugely popular and in constant demand throughout the Country for Folk Festivals, National TV and as support for Steeleye Span, where they received a standing ovation. The band members have decided on a one-off re-union and will perform for one final concert during the festival.



To Book

Please fill in form below and post with cheque

Dance

A variety of dance workshops and displays will be staged over the weekend including the opening barn dance with the highly accomplished dance band – **Shiner**.

- **Shiner**

Dunedin's popular & versatile dance band

A four-piece band with roots in Celtic and country music – a band with wide experience in many styles of music – individually recognised in the bluegrass, country, pop, traditional Celtic, folk and contemporary acoustic fields. The band's repertoire includes many originals as well as well-known New Zealand songs.



Blackboard Concerts

Hosted by *Bantam of the Opera* who will guarantee fun in a friendly environment enabling everyone to take part in the festival, so bring along your voice, instrument etc.

Running a series of concert formats aimed at all levels and genres, *The Bantams* will make you welcome in their very special "Fowlhouse". *Full details in the festival programme.*

Just for Kids

Check out all the kids' festival action featuring:

On-site fantastic recreational facilities for kids big & small which include

- Sports field
- BMX track
- Adventure playground
- Drama
- Storytelling
- Entertainment & loads of fun ...



Festival Choir

"Hallelujah, He is risen"
an informal outdoors Easter celebration
led by The Rev. Peg Riley

Ever dreamed of singing sweet harmonies but have never found the opportunity?

Now is your chance!! Swing and bop to world folk music, exercise those vocal chords and be part of the folk festival choir.

Just bring your voices, an ounce of rhythm and be prepared to have some fun!

Enjoy the singing and the chance to learn something new, meet new friends and perform together on the festival concert stage.

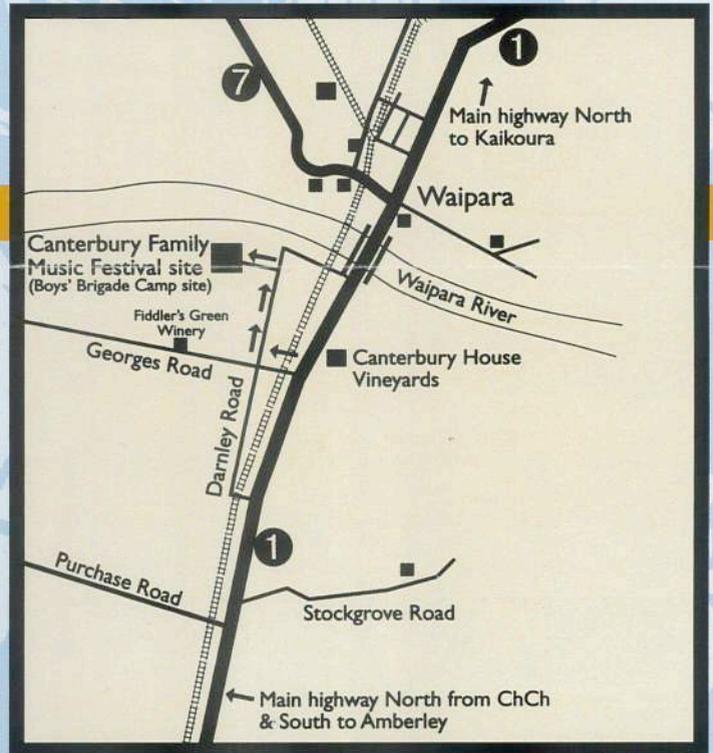
(Please indicate interest in this event by ticking the box on booking form)

Food, Glorious food ... just beside the festival concert hall

Our fabulous caterers will provide all day meals at your convenience – from breakfast to late night suppers served in a separate dining room or alfresco in our festival courtyard.

How to get there ...

Just 56km North of Christchurch. Turn left off State Highway 1, at Georges Road just south of the Waipara River bridge. Turn right into Darnley Road and follow signs. The turning is opposite Canterbury House Wines and highlighted by large Festival billboards. For details on public transport call Visitor Centre, Christchurch & Canterbury, Ph: (03) 379 9629.



Accommodation

Most festival patrons camp on site for the duration of the festival. (The camp fees are included in the ticket price.) Everyone quickly settles into the relaxed village atmosphere and musical environment. Large shade trees characterise the park surroundings of these well laid out grounds which include caravan sites with power, an extensive sheltered area for tents, toilet & shower blocks, lodge with full kitchen & heaps of hot water, washing & drying facilities, covered BBQ shelter and on-site parking.

Carpeted & heated bunk rooms with internal access to hot showers and toilet are also available on a limited basis, first in, first served!

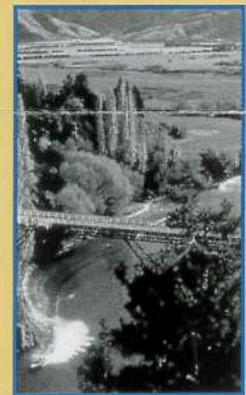
A variety of quality accommodation is also available in & around the nearby Waipara Village, only 5 minutes from the festival site – from the vintage Waipara Sleepers (converted railway wagons) to unique vineyard B&B – there is something to suit all budgets and tastes.

What else is in Waipara?



Waipara is the centre of Canterbury's grape growing region. The Waipara Valley is one of New Zealand's newest and most rapidly expanding wine areas. This beautiful long narrow valley is also home to numerous olive groves and nut farms and boasts superb wineries and eateries. Other areas of interest include:

- the historic Weka Pass Railway
- Glenmark Church & old Glenmark Estate
- Waipara Museum
- Maori Rock Drawings on the Weka Pass Walkway
- Pyramid Valley Moa Swamp
- Limestone geology of the Waipara River



Festival Info

Entry to the festival is by purchase of a weekend pass or day and/or evening ticket.

A weekend pass allows entry to all events from Friday to Monday and offers a saving of \$20. These passes are also available at the gate at full purchase price of \$105.

All passes can be purchased in advance by forwarding booking form together with payment to address shown below.

For updates & information:

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