



# MORRINSVILLE COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB INC.

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## January 2026 - Newsletter

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year to you all.

Welcome to the Chinese year of the Horse, specifically the Fire Horse. I cannot claim to understand what that means, but it sounds like it is going to be a sleek, handsome, galloping champion of a year filled with incandescent, red-hot fireworks and blazing with good things. One can only hope!

There is some excitement brewing because this is our 50<sup>th</sup> year. The club was born in the year of the Dragon in November 1976. Stay tuned to hear what is being planned.

I hope everyone has had a Christmas or New Year break of some kind. I hope you had fun. Unfortunately, during our summer holidays, we lost a member of the Morrinsville community in the tragedy of the slip on Mt Maunganui. What a terrible start to the year for family, friends, colleagues and students of Lisa Maclennen, and indeed for all people related to the other poor souls who lost their lives at the foot of the Maunga. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them.

I guess it gives perspective to the things we hold dear and the things that really matter. Maybe it is a tragic reminder of the fragility of life, and the purest reason to enjoy, celebrate, and really absorb every moment given to us.

Much like smells that can take you to other places (your grandmother's kitchen, a honeysuckle hedge, or the cow shed), music is usually one of the most enjoyable things in life. For fifty years, we have been making music that makes people happy. Let's enjoy all the moments with each other this year and celebrate our life, our club and each other with the ferocity of a FIRE HORSE!

Love to you all,

Julie



***FEBRUARY 2026***

***GUEST ARTIST***

***Janice Colhoun***

Janice absolutely loves music and singing. She has been privileged to have had music in her life since her earliest memories.

Firstly with family experiences and later as a teacher in Early Childhood Education with an old beat-up guitar. Janice has been involved in numerous Country Music Clubs for many years and she has been guest artist at a few and she is presently a member of Hauraki, Te Aroha and Morrinsville Country Music Clubs.



Over the years Janice has had the opportunity to enter a variety Country Music Awards around the country, including down in Gore. Janice has been lucky enough to earn a place in Entertainer of the Year on two occasions.

Lately, Janice and her husband, Ian and have been focused on working with and guiding both adults and young children in their singing journey. Hopefully they will get some of them entering competitions very soon. It has been a delight to see them learn and grow with their music as they work with them.

They find it an absolute joy to watch their performances at clubs.

Janice is very excited to see you all on club night and entertaining you.

**Rotary Hall, Canada St Morrinsville**

**Morrinsville CMC Concert Night**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

**7.30pm start**

# Event Calender

The Awards Circuit

Arapera Country Music Awards 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> April

Matamata Country Music Awards 16<sup>th</sup> May

South Waikato Awards 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July

Aotearoha Country Music Awards – Palmerston North 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> September

Tauranga Whetu Star Awards 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October

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***It's coming back !!!!***

***"SPECTACULAR CONCERT"***  
***2026***

***Save the date!!!***

***Saturday August 29th***

***Matinee & Evening concert***

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## 2025/26 Membership Subscriptions

Family\$30 and Single \$20 Get your Membership forms from Liz

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