



## **BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2017**

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to our April 2017 Newsletter.

As usual, we'd like to extend a big 'thank you' to all our sponsors, supporters, friends, members and fans.

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Welcome to Spring!!!! We are getting geared up for our 4 - day event at the Cloverdale Rodeo May long weekend event, at the BCCMA Boots & Buckle's Saloon again!!! We've received a ton of submissions, thank you and we will let everyone know as soon as we can on performances.

The BCCMA/CCMA Provincial segment of the Spotlight Performance contest is well under way. Thank you to all of the entrants this year!! Entrants moving onto round 2 of the contest will be announced April 5th so stay tuned. Good luck to everyone!

Don't forget, if you want us to promote your event, please tag our BCCMA FB page, Linda Corcadden or Cindy Giesbrecht so we can share it. If we don't know about it, we can't post it.

Get out and enjoy some live music, support your peers, Facebook Live it and share, share, share!!!

Till next time,

Linda Corcadden  
President, BCCMA

## **NEWS / EVENTS**

### **2017/2018 SPONSORSHIP**

Want to earn some easy money? Here's your chance!

To operate and serve the membership of the BC Country Music Association, we are seeking your participation for all the highly publicized and well attended events planned throughout the year.

The BCCMA Board of Directors would like to offer 10% commission on all sponsorships brought in by YOU. If you love networking and sales, this is a great opportunity for you to make some extra money.

Sponsorship is an integral part of supporting, celebrating and building our Country Music Industry. We continue to promote the achievements of our BC Country Music Artist and provide a framework to develop Artists, Songwriters, Musicians and all other aspects of this vibrant community. If you would like to be a part of our Sponsorship team, please contact Linda directly at [linda@bccountry.com](mailto:linda@bccountry.com)

### **VOCAL WORKSHOP/MASTERCLASS WITH DARCY D**

Darcy D Music Group  
33738 Essendene Ave. Abbotsford, B.C.  
604.832.2170

**Saturday, April 1/17 – noon-2pm**

Vocal Expert Darcy D will present vocal methods used by Juno & Grammy award winning artists. This interactive workshop is for every singer who wants to take their voice to the next level.

Topics covered include: Vocal health & maintenance, Areas of concentration, Going from exercise into song, Live vs: Studio, Defining routines, Style development, Formants & Harmonics, Spectrogram and SingPro Demonstration.

It's your voice – Learn to use it! Results are mandatory

BCCMA members receive 25% discount by entering Promo Code: "**BCCMA**" at signup.

#### **BOOK YOUR SPOT HERE:**

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07edu9fpbz2288c470&oseq=&c=&ch=>

More info: [darcy@darcyalive.com](mailto:darcy@darcyalive.com)  
<http://www.darcymusicgroup.com>  
<http://www.vocologyinpractice.com>

## FIDDLER PRODUCTIONS

Fiddler Productions is located in the heart of Vancouver. Anthony Fiddler (Wes Mack and The Heels) alongside session guitar player Ryan Stead (Wes Mack, Madeline Merlo, Chris Buck Band) have combined talents to provide artists and songwriters with an affordable, and efficient full production or session work for any material. All done in house, we offer:

- Full productions of any song or worktape.
- Session guitar, acoustic, bass, slide, mandolin, banjo etc.
- Mixing and engineering
- Programming and design
- Vocal tracking

Email, text or call for a free quote

[anthonyfiddler@gmail.com](mailto:anthonyfiddler@gmail.com) 604-319-4806

Website coming soon.

## OK CORRAL CABARET - KELOWNA

Tuesday's - FREE Poutine / \$3.50 Drinks

Thursday's - 7:30 PM - Line Dance Lessons / 10 PM - Mechanical Bull Riding / \$3.50 Jager-Bulls

Friday's - Two Stepping Lessons 8 PM

Saturday's - Stag Night

April 6th, 7th, 8th - The County Line LIVE! \$7 Advance - [eventbrite.ca](http://eventbrite.ca) / \$10 - Door

Thursday, April 20th - Body Heat Male Entertainment

Friday, April 14th - Good Friday - Long Weekend Celebration

Friday, April 21st - Kids Help Phone Fundraiser w LIVE Entertainment

Friday, April 28th - Almost Alan - Aaron Halliday - Canada's Top Alan Jackson Tribute! \$7 Advance - [eventbrite.ca](http://eventbrite.ca) / \$10 - Door

## NEW COUNTRY 100.7's 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PURPLE DAY

New Country 100.7 is extremely proud to announce this year's 4th Annual Purple Day events raised \$33,303 in just two nights. 100% of the proceeds raised benefit the Center for Epilepsy and Seizure Education in British Columbia.

Program Director Casey Clarke is thrilled. "The monies raised will help provide support to the newly diagnosed, provides funding for education and awareness, and helps send children with epilepsy to a specialized summer camp. We are so proud to be able to support the center with the amazing work they do."

Morning host Roo Phelps, who lost her best friend Tese Speck to epilepsy in July of 2010, was equally ecstatic. "I cannot express to everyone involved, the Road Hammers, the venues, the staff at New Country 100.7, the generous sponsors, and those who spent their hard earned money to attend, what this money means to the center and to those living with epilepsy... and just what this event means to me."

## BREAKTHROUGH COUNTRY MUSIC PROJECT

A big congratulations to BCCMA artist Shylo Sharity for winning the Breakthrough Country Music Project. The 4 finalists performed at The Roxy on March 26<sup>th</sup>, with the winner announced later that evening.

## CMA FANFEST IN NASHVILLE

Its confirmed! Fan Fest has announced the lineup for June 7-12 in Nashville! Last Chance to book Fan Fest 2017

With your Fan Fest booking, you will get to see Blake Shelton, Brad Paisley, Miranda Lambert, Keith Urban, Dierks Bentley, Little Big Town, Lady Antebellum, Maren Morris, Chris Stapleton, Florida Georgia Line, Rascal Flatts, John Anderson, Tracey Lawrence, Kenny Rogers, and dozens more.

The full lineup is online at [cmaworld.com](http://cmaworld.com)

BCCMA member and past Director Joanne Sutton is your host for this trip of a lifetime. Land Package includes 5 nights at the Opryland Hotel, confirmed tickets to daytime and nighttime shows, Nashville City Tour, Backstage Opry Tour and more. Convenience to book your own airfare.

Get details at <http://www.maritimetravel.ca/nashville-cma-fest-tour-landonly> or call Sue Chisholm Maritime Travel Surrey 604 575-5097. When you call, be sure to ask for the BCCMA Discount!

## JAMS

**Chris Rolin** hosts an open jam in Maple Ridge every Sunday 3:00 -7:00 at the Army and Navy Vets Club in Maple Ridge (122326 North Ave). Everyone is welcome.

**Merv Tremblay** hosts an open jam at the Captain's Pub (33331 Harbour Ave) every Sunday 3:30 – 7:30, everyone is welcome.

**George Wolf** will be hosting a country All-Star jam at the White Rock Legion (2290 – 152<sup>nd</sup> St.) every Sunday 3pm – 7pm starting March 5<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome.

## ARTIST NEWS

### TWIN KENNEDY

Twin Kennedy recently returned from spending two and a half weeks on tour. This award-winning duo wowed audiences from Minnesota to Manitoba to Missouri!

Watch the highlight video here: <https://youtu.be/0IFvfo4JO78>

Read the blog here: [www.twinkennedy.com/blog](http://www.twinkennedy.com/blog)

More info and upcoming tour dates: [www.twinkennedy.com](http://www.twinkennedy.com)

## TOMMY WEST BAND

Tommy is just finishing the first half of his Canada Radio Station Tour promoting "Test of Time", his first single recently released to Country Radio. Completing the Western Canada portion from BC to Manitoba. Tommy will be back in town for the first week of April and then fly East to continue the Station Tour. At the beginning of May, Tommy West Band will release another single titled, "Perfect Holiday", a fun upbeat country song sure to get you in the mood for summer.

Tommy is thrilled to release the Official Lyric Video for "Test of Time" and hope you enjoy it! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MT6URU7QjW4&t=13s>

Follow Tommy: [www.facebook.com/tommywestband](http://www.facebook.com/tommywestband)

## BEN KLICK

"Hey! First, HUGE congrats to everyone in the Breakthrough Country Music Project! It was great to see everyone at The Roxy! Secondly, to everyone who came out to the Tanya Tucker show in Kelowna, THANK YOU! It was great to see so many familiar faces in the crowd! Lastly, I'm super excited to announce I've been given an official showcase at Canadian Music Week in Toronto this month! Stay posted to my social media pages for updates!" - Ben Klick

Ben Klick is heading to Toronto, ON from April 18-22 for his Official Showcase at the Boots and Bourbon Saloon for Canadian Music Week! Leading up to CMW, Ben is working with production duo Clay Krasner and RyLee Madison of 7-17 Music on pre-production for two new singles for 2017! Towards the end of the month, Ben has a few more exciting show announcements to add to the schedule!

Stay connected through social media, "The Klick Newsletter", and the Official Website ([www.benlick.com](http://www.benlick.com)).

## JOHNNY P JOHNSON

Johnny P Johnson is proud to announce the official digital release of his new album "Until You Get There" now available on iTunes, Spotify and all the regular places including Johnny's website [johnnypjohnsonmusic.com](http://johnnypjohnsonmusic.com). Johnny's new album was produced by Tom McKillip and recorded, mixed and mastered at Studio Downe Under by Soren Lonnqvist. Johnny's album showcases many BCCMA musicians such as Tom McKillip, Jay Buettner, John Ellis, Jerry Adolphe, Dennis Marcenko, Darryl Havers, Gord Maxwell and Johnny's son Javan Johnson.

Johnny's album "Until You Get There" has a driving folk, country roots sound that Johnny has deemed Ranch Rock and includes songs written about both the simplicities and complexities of life. All songs are written by Johnny except for a wonderful acoustic version of Ian Tyson's Summer Wages where Johnny is joined by Tom on guitar and vocals.

Johnny will be kicking off his new album release with a big showcase at the Charles Bailey Theatre in Trail BC on April 1st in support of the Kootenay Boundary Hospital and Health Foundation. Johnny will be joined by band members Jason Thomas, Terry Alton, Jim Fike, Hal Rezanoff and Javan Johnson. Johnny is looking to make his way out to the coast sometime this summer.

### AJAYE JARDINE

Ajaye Jardine returned from Cayamo that included a showcase of an original song alongside Steve Earle. Check out her "My Way Wednesday" blog on her website to read more! During her time down south, she spent some time in Nashville to co-write with Jane Bach, Jimmy Thow (Sons of Daughters), Rylee Madison, Daryl and Leeann Burgess, and Tenille Arts. Ajaye has some exciting news about her summer plans, but will be revealing that very shortly.

Ajaye is also an Artist in Residence at Pocketlive, and will be using PocketLive exclusively for any live performances, demo work, co-writes, rehearsals and more! You can join Pocketlive for free and catch her online at these times: Tuesdays 3-5pm, Wednesdays 3-5pm and Fridays 11am-1pm PST [www.pocketlive.com/live/ajayejardine](http://www.pocketlive.com/live/ajayejardine)

Finally, "My Way", Ajaye's debut single since her EP release in 2015, is now available on Spotify and other online streaming sites. Be sure to show some love and follow Ajaye on Spotify! Get your boots on and Happy April!

### MEGAN TWIST

"Hey BCCMA family! Been a while since I submitted to the newsletter and my apologies for that. I've been dealing with a lot of personal stuff as well as the loss of a friend. I'll be back on track soon, don't worry! I am recording a demo so stay tuned for that."

Megan's next show is at Montana's in Surrey (16071 – 24<sup>th</sup> Ave., Surrey) on April 13<sup>th</sup>! It's 3 acoustic sets at 7pm, 8pm, and 9:15pm. Come grab a bite and say hey!

Megan and her band are also looking for a logo, so if you know anyone or feel like being creative, please let her know! Email: [megantwist@gmail.com](mailto:megantwist@gmail.com)

### ME AND MAE

Following their successful performance at the NAMM show in Anaheim earlier this year, BC's own modern/country rockers, Me and Mae returned with a handful of endorsements and inspiration for new material.

The band has emerged from studio and their newest single "Where the Good Times Roll", is being prepped for release next month.

Armed with new songs and a streamlined look, Me and Mae will hit the road this summer as they continue to spread their modern country sounds. Several BC dates are confirmed, with one in April: The Roxy, Vancouver, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

For more visit: <http://www.meandmae.com> <http://www.magnetizedmanagement.com>  
<http://www.darcydmusicgroup.com>

### DAKOTA PEARL

Dakota Pearl has released a new 6 song EP titled "Big Mountain Music"  
Available now on: iTunes and [www.dakotapearl.com](http://www.dakotapearl.com)

### TROY TOMA

Troy Toma will be doing an EP Release Party at Gabby's in Langley April 9th promoting his new release called "Cold Love". The cd will be released the first week of April!

### ROWDY SPURS

Rowdy Spurs has been in the lab writing new songs, learning new tunes and laying some recording tracks down! With a huge announcement coming up in the next month. They couldn't be more excited for this upcoming summer.

As for upcoming events, they will be playing an acoustic gig at Montana's South Surrey - 16071 24th Ave, on April 6 at 6:45pm till after 10pm! Lots of amazing county songs, all night long! Definitely worth checking out. On Saturday May 13 they will be playing at their frontman Kyle's old local watering hole the Hop & Vine in Burnaby - 1601 Burnwood Dr, at 9pm till after 1:30am.

They are pumped and hope to see some familiar faces and meet some new ones too. Keep it traditional, keep it authentic, and always make it a Rowdy time.

### THE COUNTY LINE

Almost two years of creativity, passion and a whole heck of a lot of 'hands on learning' later, Megan and Hayden are thrilled to announce the release of their self titled debut EP. Big time credits go to their mixer, Jordan Oorebeek, for his talent and patience as the team turned this 2 year project into what you hear on this EP today, and to the duo's own Hayden Cyr for his pure determination and 'roll up his sleeves' hard work (aka...hundreds of hours in his studio) to write, shape, engineer and produce these 5 original songs which in turn have become such a true reflection of The County Line's sound. The project includes 5 original songs written by the duo and includes musical credits to various County Line artists as well as Nashville artists: Chris Brush (drums), Tim Galloway (mandolin, acoustic guitar, banjo, dobro) and Rascal Flatts' Travis Toy (banjo, steel guitar). Find the EP on [iTunes](#) and all other platforms at [www.thecountyline.ca](http://www.thecountyline.ca)

The duo has a busy spring/summer season ahead with promotion and touring of their EP and debut single 'Always Got Time' which is at Canadian Radio now. Their season kicks off with their April/May "Always Got Time BC Tour" including the following dates this April:

April 1 - Saltspring Island BC - SSI Legion

April 5 - Kamloops BC (Acoustic Show) - Matches

April 6, 7 + 8 - Kelowna BC - OK Corral  
April 9 - Vancouver BC - The Roxy  
April 15 - Tofino BC - The Tofino Legion  
April 22 - Parksville BC - The Rod & Gun  
April 28 + 29 - Victoria BC - The Duke Saloon

### MERV TREMBLAY

Merv is playing at Montana's BBQ & Bar – 16071–24th Ave, Surrey, BC – Thursday, 20 April, from 7:00pm to 10:00pm.

### BRODIE LEE DAWSON & LUKE BLUE GUTHRIE

Two of Vancouver Island's finest musicians have paired up this year as a dynamic duo! Luke Blu Guthrie and Brodie Lee Dawson have joined forces to push some big and beautiful sounds off the stage, backing each other up on the latest stylings of their original tunes. And they are gaining momentum and turning heads!

Brodie has been touring for the past couple of years with her band She Could Be Trouble who were nominated twice for 'Group of the Year' - at the Vancouver Island Music Awards, and first round at the BCCMA's. Brodie Dawson took home 'Vocalist of the Year' at the 2014 Vancouver Island Music Awards and was nominated for Best Live Act at both 2014 and 2103 VIMA's.

Luke is a seasoned performer and well-loved on Vancouver Island and beyond. Deeply soulful, and passionately committed to creating and sharing his music, Luke Blu has devoted much of his life to his craft. He is widely respected for his versatility and skill as songwriter, vocalist and guitar player.

#### SPRING TOUR DATES:

Apr 15th – Campbell River  
Apr 25th - Vancouver  
Apr 26th - Sorrento  
Apr 27th - Field  
Apr 28th – Red Deer  
Apr 29th - Edmonton

<http://brodiedawson.com/>

<https://youtu.be/D8zLt8BE--0>

<https://www.facebook.com/lukebluguthrie/>

<https://youtu.be/uu2muyYLIgY>

### DAVE HARTNEY

Dave is releasing his debut single, "Party Lights" on May 8! He will be going out on a Canada-wide radio tour in support of the release over two weeks in May. The single was produced by Jeff Johnson, and Dave's team includes radio tracker Rob Chubey, and publicity by Strut Entertainment out of Toronto.

Dave will be performing locally at the Duke Saloon in Victoria on Mar 30 and April 1, at the Roundhouse on top of Whistler Mountain on April 8, and doing an acoustic performance at Montana's in South Surrey on April 27.

For more information: [www.davehartney.com](http://www.davehartney.com)

## THE HEELS

"Hello BC music family! Thank-you to all of you who came out to The Roxy March 19th for our Ladies Night on Country Sunday! We love you and we appreciate your support. With a number of new projects in the works we are beyond excited to share our new music and upcoming tour dates with you, all release dates and show details can be found on our website [www.theheelsmusic.com](http://www.theheelsmusic.com)"

April 2nd -The Heels host "A Circle of Songwriters," at Kyla's Buddha-Full Cafe in North Vancouver. The show begins at 6:30pm featuring fresh new music from The Heels and friends. The entire show will air the following evening on Pacific Northwest Radio. Visit [www.pacificnorthwestradio.com](http://www.pacificnorthwestradio.com) for full broadcast details.

April 28th -The Heels Live at the beautiful waterfront, Doc Morgan's Pub on Bowen Island. Show starts at 6:30pm!

## **SUBMISSIONS to the BCCMA NEWSLETTER**

The BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER will be published and circulated at the beginning of every month. We're shooting for the 1st.

BCCMA members are encouraged to submit community and artist news, event listings, tour dates and announcements monthly for the BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER.

Please ensure that your submission is **brief (100 words) but detailed and ready to be published**. You may include links with your submission. **For event listings and tour dates, please only submit the upcoming month's dates**. Please email submissions to [bccma@bcccountry.com](mailto:bccma@bcccountry.com) at **any time before 6pm [PST] on the 25th of every month** to be included in the following month's e-Newsletter