



BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER - June 2014

Hello Everyone,

Thanks so much for receiving the June issue of the eNewsletter.

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are very excited to announce the **37th Annual BC Country Music Association Awards Show**, Sunday, October 19, 2014.

Your Board of Directors has been working very hard to bring back the incredible enjoyment of an Awards Gala! This worthwhile event was created to reward those who have worked tirelessly, and often without any recognition, and yet have excelled at their craft.

This will be an evening of celebration of the Artists, Musicians, Producers, Radio Stations, and Industry Professionals who make Country Music what it is today.

We will begin in the afternoon with a seminar by a panel of industry professionals, providing education and equipping for those who are wanting to build careers in the Country Music business. Along with the awards presentations, the evening will include music and entertainment with the best. Come out to cheer on and congratulate those who have risen to the top of their profession over this past year.

The nomination process will begin soon. Stay tuned and keep checking the BC Country Music website and Facebook page for how to nominate.

A great Awards Show doesn't happen by itself. It takes thousands of volunteer hours to make it a success and if you are able and willing, we would love to have your participation!

I can tell you right now, this incredible evening will sell out. Tickets are now on sale. Get yours today.

See you Country Fans at the Show!

Brian Thate
President
BC Country Music Association

MEMBERSHIP

Just a friendly reminder that your BCCMA Membership is up for renewal in July. All members must be renewed by **July 31st** in order to be eligible to vote or be nominated for the BCCMA Awards coming up, October 19th, 2014. You can renew online at www.bccountry.com

If you are unsure if you are an active member or not, please contact Linda at linda@bccountry.com

FUNDRAISERS, DONORS, SPONSORS

The Sponsorship Department is always open for business. There are many exciting opportunities to link your business or enterprise to the BCCMA and one or more of its events. Check this newsletter for updates. Meantime if you or anyone you know would like to become a Sponsor for 2014, please email BCCMA@bccountry.com and we will be happy to discuss possibilities and opportunities with you.

To make a donation to the BCCMA, please go to www.bccountry.com.

NOTICE TO INDUSTRY MEMBERS

Industry Members, do we have your current information on the website ? Do you have a new picture, email or url ? If your info is missing, let's get it on there !!!

Please take a moment to look at the website and make sure everything is current www.bccountry.com If you have changes please submit them to linda@bccountry.com

EVENTS

Rockin River Music Festival 2014

" The Biggest Party the Valley has ever seen !"

August 7th - 9th 2014 *(at the Mission Raceway Park)*

Riverfest 2014 Lineup - Rascal Flatts, Terri Clark, The Road Hammers, Gord Bamford, Julian Austin, Hey Romeo and many more!

Reserved Camping all within a short walking distance to the show site.

The Showgrounds have well established facilities, food concessions, ample parking and picturesque surroundings. It makes for a relaxing and enjoyable weekend for all to just sit back and enjoy the fun and the music !

Tickets and Camping at ROCKINRIVERFEST.COM

For more info **1.877.30 RIVER**

RRMF UPDATE

DO YOU have your RRMF tickets yet ?? Our Vice-President **Linda Corscadden** has some tickets in her hot little hands just waiting to get bought! When you buy tickets FROM HER, partial proceeds of those ticket sales will go to her **Journey On Foundation** Cause ---- Help support her cause for the care & comforts of patients receiving treatment for cancer by getting your tickets from her.

Get ready for 3 days of country music, camping and good times with your friends! This year's festival features some great acts like **Rascal Flatts, Terri Clark, The Road Hammers, Gord Bamford** & many more yet to be announced!

For more information about the festival, visit Rockin' River Music Fest www.riverfest.ca

[ANNE MURRAY TRIBUTE](#)

A MUST SEE SHOW!

ONLY 100 TICKETS, ON SALE NOW

"SNOWBIRD " the Tribute to Anne Murray
featuring LAURA GILLESPIE

FRIDAY JUNE 13, (TWO SHOWS)
3PM & 8PM

[On line PURCHASE \[www.bluefrogstudio.com\]\(http://www.bluefrogstudio.com\)](#)

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BCCMA CONTEST:

Want to win a 2 year FREE Fan or Industry membership ? How about a **LIFE TIME MEMBERSHIP?** If you can **get 5 people to join the BCCMA before July 31, 2014**, you will win the prize of a 2 year free industry or fan membership AND a Country Heat 2014 CD compliments of Sony Music.

BUT.....The member that gets the most people to **sign up before July 31st, 2014** (more than 10 signups to be eligible) wins a **life time membership !!!!** Never have to worry about renewing your membership !!!

All you have to do is get the person to sign up online at www.bccountry.com and in the 'notes' section of the application, get them to put your name as the referral ! If your referral doesn't have access to a computer they can call the office at 604-533-5088 to sign up as well. It's that easy !

Spam your friends, family, co-workers, FANS by email, call, text, facebook, twitter or your website.... get the word out and get your referrals in and **YOU COULD WIN !!!!**

***** Contest closes midnight of July 31st, 2014.** Winners will be notified by email. Any questions regarding membership or this contest can be directed at Linda via email linda@bccountry.com or by phone 604-533-5088.
<http://www.bccountry.com/>

BCCMA /CCMA PROVINCIAL CONTEST

Round 2 is under way for the **BCCMA/CCMA Spotlight Provincial Performance Contest** ! The top 5 qualifiers will be judged on the live video performances in this round by a selected Jury (not BCCMA Directors).

The top 3 qualifiers will be chosen in this round and move onto the FINALS which will be announced June 12th.

Stay tuned and good luck to our 5 qualifiers: **Karen Lee Batten, Todd Richard, GB Roots, Robyn & Ryleigh and Austin Belle** !

ARTIST NEWS

[ONE MORE GIRL](#)

June is promising to be a busy month for Maple Ridge's **One More Girl**.....after a hometown show on May 31st, **Britt & Carly McKillip** head to Nashville where they perform on the prestigious CMA World Stage on June 2nd. On June 5th, they attend the CMA Fan Fair X autograph sessions at the Nashville Convention Centre. The icing on the cake, however, will be their **debut appearance on June 6th to perform at the legendary GRAND OLE OPRY!!!**. The girls fly back home the next day for a Pitt Meadows show on June 7th. More news coming.

[AMANDA THATE](#) *News Flash!*



Amanda Thate

Her first song launched to Radio, Hit and Run! June 2!

See where she is performing on September 5...!

"Her vocal was such a surprise that I was hooked at that moment."

... **Hank Williams, Mastermix Studios, Nashville.**

What do **Patricia Conroy, Michelle Wright, Carolyn Dawn Johnson, Kat Higgins, Lynda McKillip,** and **One More Girl** have in common? They have all contributed songs to **Amanda Thate's** soon to be released debut EP!

This just in ... Amanda has been invited to perform at this years CCMA **Diamonds in the Rough Stage** in Edmonton. Very exciting news for this twenty year old.

*" It all started three years ago when I was granted the opportunity to share the stage with country legend **Roy Clark** on his Canadian Tour."*
says Amanda ...and I haven't looked back.

Whether she's opening for **Gord Bamford,** performing with **Tammy Wynette's band** in Nashville, or working with the highly sought after performance coach **Tom Jackson,** **Amanda Thate** is a bright star on the country music horizon, and she's ready to shine on her own.

[DANI ELLE](#)

DaniElle will be playing a show, opening up for **One More Girl** on June 7th (Pitt Meadows Day) at 6pm for a **FREE CONCERT** at Harris Road Park in Pitt Meadows!! Follow the link below to see a poster for this event!

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=754603894573305&set=pb.370849589615406.-2207520000.1400626035.&type=3&theater>

[JIM ABBOTT AND THE SEPTIC SAM PROJECT](#)

Jim Abbott is thrilled to be involved in many great events going on this summer in Canada and the United States. As he prepares to head back into the studio to record some new tracks, he is proud to have two tracks out there making the rounds, "**Know By Now**" and "**Make Her Mine**".

Jim is not only involved in many great events in person but is also proud to be involved in the **Monster Energy Battle of the Bands** preliminaries online. Should he advance, he will perform in person at the Monster Energy Drink's, **Aftershock Rockville Festival** in Jacksonville, Florida. Other Ernie Ball competitions he is entered into include the **Vans Warped Tour Battle of the Bands** and the Ernie Ball **Rock on the Range Event**. Locally he will be competing

in the Battle of the Bands at Vancouver's Sinbin on June 12 starting at 9pm. He hopes to see you there!

Along with the many charitable events **Jim Abbott** is involved with throughout the year, he extends a challenge to other musicians to come out in September to the **Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup** in White Rock. Details will be posted on Jim's **Reverbnation** page during the summer.

Other events Jim will be playing this summer will be posted online at www.septicsam.com. These include the **Make Music Vancouver** events on June 25 in Gastown (street music festival), June 21 at **Whalley Corners Community Festival** for the **Surrey Downtown Business Development Association** and the **Bands, BBQ & Beer Bash Fundraiser** benefiting the BCCMA. Details are available on this event at www.gvpbash.com.

WHISKEY JANE

Whiskey Jane had a great time playing the **Cloverdale Rodeo** on Saturday May 17th and then headlined the outdoor stage on Sunday evening. The band has just released their new single "Seventh Wonder" to radio Monday, May 19th and will be doing a radio promo tour this summer as well as supporting our troops at the **100th PPCLI Celebration** in Edmonton. They will be donating money from every CD they sell on tour to support this wonderful charity. Here is their tour schedule:

June 6th -Northview Golf and Country Club Surrey BC (Corporate Event)

June 12th - The Fairview (Vancouver BC)

June 27th - 29th - Williams Lake Stampede (Williams Lake BC)

July 17th - 19th- Gabbys County Cabaret (Langley BC)

July 20th - Sun Peaks Music Fest (Sun Peaks BC)

July 25th & 26th - Cactus Annie's (Merritt BC)

July 28th - Festival In The Park (Kamloops BC)

July 31st - Ranchman's (Calgary AB)

August 1st - 3rd - Ranchman's (Calgary AB)

August 7th - PPCLI 100th Anniversary (Edmonton AB)

August 30 - 31st - Bands On The Beach (Harrison Hot Springs BC)

ROGER DALTON

Roger Dalton's title track "Rebel Without A Choice" is scheduled to come to radio Monday, June 2nd. Look out for it! Produced by **Rob Begg**, formerly of the band **Vertigo (A&M)** and brought to life with the guitar work of Juno award winner **Jerry Doucette**, a new genre of music has been born - REBEL COUNTRY! Saturated with outlaw flavour, "Rebel Without A Choice" taps into Roger Dalton's blue collar, defiant background and spins it into a musical, hellfire-driven locomotive coming off the tracks! So load up the shotgun, grab a bottle of Jack Daniels, and lock up anything of value REBEL COUNTRY IS HERE!

ROBYN AND RYLEIGH

Robyn and Ryleigh had a busy month, performing the anthems and several of their songs for crowds of over 21,000 at the Cloverdale Rodeo Stetson Bowl during Rodeo weekend. The following week they performed for another large crowd at Calgary's 4th St. Lilac Festival. R + R were recently at Studio Downe Under, beginning work on new music with co-writer Chris Reardon, who flew up from Virginia for the sessions.

PAUL SHATTO

Producer/Mixer **Paul Shatto** had an incredibly busy spring. In addition to his head music editor position on the CTV/ABC TV series 'Motive', he was also kept busy with numerous artist projects. He co-produced new music for Robyn and Ryleigh, and also new Vancouver R & B band Champagne Republic with David Wills. Mix work included contributions to the new albums from Chad Brownlee, and Hayley.

KAREN LEE BATTEN

Karen Lee Batten is launching her new album 'Cause a Scene' with special guests GB Roots this Thursday, June 5th at 8pm at the Vancouver FanClub, 1050 Granville Street, Vancouver, Tickets are limited
<https://www.facebook.com/events/757848340902071/>

LISA NICOLE

Lisa Nicole will be heading out on the road again for her summer tour with fellow artist **Jason Thomas**. Kicking the tour off in Ashcroft BC on June 13th. Here are a couple tour dates but check for more here:

www.lisanicolemusic.com/tour

Chances Casino - Dawson Creek - June 20th - 9PM

Canada Day in Nakusp - July 1st - 5PM

Calgary Stampede - July 5th - 12:30PM

Gabby's Country Cabaret - July 11th - 9PM

Sturgis North - Merritt - August 22nd - TBA

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SUBMISSIONS to the BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER

The BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER will be published and circulated at the beginning of every month. We're shooting for the 7th - give or take a few dates.

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

Please ensure that your submission is **brief (100 words) but detailed and ready to be published**. You may include links and an e-poster with your submission. Placement of links and the e-poster will be at the discretion of the editor. Professionally written press releases are acceptable but extraction of the details will be at the discretion of the editor. **For event listings and tour dates, please only submit the next three upcoming dates**. Making a submission does not guarantee publication, however, we promise to do our very best to include all submissions.

Please email submissions to eamonn@bcccountry.com by 6pm [PST] on the 28th of every month to be included in the following month's eNEWSLETTER