



BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER - July 2014

Hello Everyone,

Thanks so much for receiving the July 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

How do you carve out a career in Country Music? Ask an old timer this and here is likely what you will get; a long hard look. Without saying one word that question will be turned around and you will be forced to come up with some of your own answers. Wizedened years will stare back at you and ask you if you are ready to dig until you find your path. Compassion and understanding will also reside in those eyes as the early days of dreams and hope are remembered. In a moment, light will fill that look, and glory, and honour, reminders of those days gone by when all was great. Sadness will also be there as dark times and loss and hunger are recalled. A kind nod, a firm handshake and a "You'll do just fine." will complete the moment.

Chase your dreams, work hard, be grateful, ask for help from good and knowledgeable people, take everything you hear with a grain of salt, hang in there, maintain integrity, be joyful, never give up, write, play, sing, give thanks and say grace at every meal, go for the gusto with everything that you are, and, "You'll do just fine!" And don't forget to have fun!

Brian Thate
President
BC Country Music Association

INDUSTRY NEWS

AWARDS SHOW

A Reminder that our 37th Annual BCCMA Awards Show will be October 19th at the Hard Rock Casino in Coquitlam. More news on performances will be announced soon. Ticket information will be released this week.

BALLOTS

The submission ballots will be emailed out to active members on August 1st. Please take the time to fill this submission ballot out and submit it to the BCCMA with your choices. **This is YOUR AWARDS**, if you don't submit or vote, then you don't have a say in the outcome of the nominees/winners.

VOLUNTEERS

The RRMF is looking for hard working volunteers for this years festival August 7, 8th and 9th. If you have what it takes and are a hard worker please sign up online at www.rockinriverfest.com/volunteers

MEMBERSHIP

A friendly reminder that your BCCMA Membership may be up for renewal. **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 up for renewal or not, please contact Linda at linda@bccountry.com

ANTI-SPAM LAW

Canada's anti-spam legislation (CASL) came into force July 1st. It appears that the new law applies to the organizations such as the BCCMA. To ensure its compliance, the BCCMA ultimately requires express consent to email its members with respect to news & events.

Effective now, your consent will be implied once you have become a BCCMA member, and you will continue to receive email from us **unless you indicate otherwise by unsubscribing from our mailing list**. If you wish to unsubscribe from ALL of the BCCMA emails please reply to this email with REMOVE in the subject line.

If you are a member in good standing, we expect that you will want to stay with

us and will continue to receive our communications! We appreciate your continued support.

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, and **in particular with the 2014 Awards Show upcoming!** 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.

EVENTS

[CARLI AND JULIE KENNEDY](#)

Carli & Julie Kennedy perform on **Saturday, July 19th** in **Coquitlam, BC** at the **Evergreen Cultural Centre's Music on the Grill**. Visit www.cjkennedy.com or www.evergreenculturalcentre.ca for more information.

Bar opens at 6:30pm, Dinner at 7pm, Concert at 8pm.

Tickets: Dinner & Concert \$52/ Concert Only \$32

[ALANNA & BRIANNE](#)

Alanna & Brianne are putting on a concert **Saturday July 26th** at the **Good Day Sunshine Café** (#100-2950 King George Blvd) in South Surrey 6-9pm. Tickets are 5 dollars each and can be purchased at the Good Day Sunshine 604-535-5417 or by contacting the girls through their website www.alannabrianne.com

[ALDERGROVE FAIR DAYS](#)

The 2014 Aldergrove Fair Days will be **happening July 18-20** at the Aldergrove Kinsmen Community Centre and Aldergrove Athletic Park 26770 - 29th Ave.

The BCCMA is proud to present many of our members on the Mainstage both Saturday July 19 and Sunday July 20. Included performers are **Chris Buck, Robyn and Ryleigh, DaniELLE, Todd Richard, Amanda Thate, GB ROOTS, Austin Belle** and many more.

In addition **Robyn and Ryleigh** have been invited to participate in the **WORLD FAST DRAW CHAMPIONSHIP'S CELEBRITY FAST DRAW CHALLENGE** on

Saturday July 19th at ... You guessed it ... HIGH NOON!!!

There will also be daily draws and raffles to win tickets to this years Rockin' River Music Festival For more info please visit the Aldergrove Fair Days website <http://www.aldergrovefairdays.com>

[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**

BCCMA /CCMA PROVINCIAL CONTEST

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to **Karen Lee Batten** who was chosen by YOU to move forward to compete against the 9 other Provincial contestants to represent B.C. in the **2014 CCMA Spotlight Performance Contest**. The provincial contest ran **from June 26th and closed July 3rd**. The amount of support shown in this contest was incredible and we can't thank you enough. The winner will be announced **July 10th**.

Thank you to all of the B.C. participants who entered this contest. We have an amazing amount of talent in our province and you should all be very proud.

ARTIST NEWS

[ONE MORE GIRL](#)

One More Girl has been hard at it – the beginning of June found **Britt and Carly McKillip** in Nashville where they performed on the prestigious **Global Artist Stage** for CMA Fest. The girls also performed a showcase for **William Morris Endeavor Entertainment**, where they've been recently signed for the US by **Kevin Neal**. Following that, they spent an afternoon at the Sirius XM studios chatting with **Storme Warren** of The Highway, and debuting their current single "Drunk Heart". They wrapped up their Nashville trip with a performance at the Grand Ole Opry on June 6th, sharing the stage with country greats like Lorrie Morgan, Charlie Pride, Sara Evans and Rascal Flatts. It was the thrill of a lifetime for the Maple Ridge duo – and one that bears repeating – **Britt and Carly have JUST been invited back to the Opry to perform in October!**

[ALANNA AND BRIANNE](#)

Alanna and Brianne performed on the **Big Stage at White Rock Beach** on July 1st 2014 during the **Canada Day Celebrations**. Wasn't that a party! Youtube videos are posted on their Facebook page, available through the website www.alannabrianne.com

[DANI ELLE](#)

DaniElle will be performing at the **Aldergrove Fair in Langley** at 4pm on **Saturday July 19th** & at Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Country fest located at the Albion Fair Grounds at 4.30pm on **Saturday July 26th**. You can check out more show dates at her website www.DaniElleOfficial.com

[WHISKEY JANE](#)

Whiskey Jane is excited to announce their nomination for "**Country Recording of the Year**" at the **2014 WCMA's (Breakout West)** for their new album "**Unbreakable**"! The band has also been invited to Winnipeg **Oct. 3-5th** to perform during the festival. See the link here; <http://breakoutwest.ca/2014-wcma/> The band is also set to tour Western Canada this summer!

Here is their tour schedule for July and August:

July 17th - Gabbys County Cabaret (Langley BC)
July 18th - Gabbys Country Cabaret (Langley BC)
July 19th - Gabbys Country Cabaret (Langley BC)
July 20th - Sun Peaks Music Fest (Sun Peaks BC)
July 25th - Cactus Annie's (Merritt BC)
July 26th - Cactus Annie's (Merritt BC)

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

July 31st – Ranchman’s (Calgary AB)

August 1st - Ranchman’s (Calgary AB)

August 2nd - Ranchman’s (Calgary AB)

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

August 30 – 31st – Harrison Hot Springs Concert On The Beach (Harrison Hot Springs BC)

[LISA NICOLE](#)

Lisa Nicole is out on the road again for her summer tour with fellow artist **Jason Thomas**. Here are some July/ August tour dates but check for more here:

www.lisanicolemusic.com/tour

Calgary Stampede - July 5th - 12:30PM

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

Sturgis North - Merritt - August 22nd - TBA

www.lisanicolemusic.com

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www.facebook.com/lisanicolemusic

www.youtube.com/lisanicolekianas

[CORY HAWTHORNE](#)

BCCMA artist, singer, songwriter and guitarist, **Cory Hawthorne** is the special guest opening for **Jim Byrnes on Saturday July 12th** at the [Edgewater Casino's Stadium Club](#). Tickets \$10 via stadiumclub.ticketleap.com

Cory Hawthorne will also be appearing at [Trees on Granville](#) on Friday, **July 11th**, playing a solo acoustic set featuring songs from his upcoming release, as well as selections from his 2012 BCCMA nominated "[The King of the Broken Hearts](#)" album.

His guitar playing is also featured on 2 tracks of BCCMA artist **Roger Dalton's** upcoming new "[Rebel Without a Choice](#)" album.

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