

it's on again!!

# Meredith Music Festival

FREE CAMPING

B.Y.O.

↳ No GLASS

\$23!

or  
\$28 at the gate...

the affected ♦ ice-cream hands ♦ the plums  
 ♦ Ripe ♦ the fat thing ♦ Housewives' choice ♦  
 Powdermonkeys ♦ Guttersnipes ♦ Fireballs ♦ Hoss  
 ♦ Billy Baxter ♦ Loingroin ♦ Kipling ensemble ♦  
 Seaweed goorillas ♦ NKS Jamm ♦ Spiderbait

TICKETS \$28 AT GATE,

OR \$23 FROM

Melb: AugoGo, GasLight,  
 Greville Records.  
 GEELONG: C.C. Records, FORTE.  
 Ballarat: Rendezvous Cafe,  
 Camp Hotel, 3BBB.

11<sup>TH</sup> + 12<sup>TH</sup> 1993

# DECEMBER

## THE HISTORY

Meredith is a small town halfway between Geelong and Ballarat, 90 kms due west of Melbourne. One sweltering December afternoon a few years ago now, the farmer Jack Nolan drove his tractor through disused farmland, the consistent drone of the diesel disturbing the pristine environment. Jack felt at peace with the land, a lone man and his machine. At the end of a long day, he decided to go a different way home

Through the bracken, over the granite, the hazy heat of the Australian summer began to play ticks with Jack's mind. He became dizzy and lost his sense of direction, the foliage became thicker and his trusty tractor started behaving like a spooked horse. He ploughed through the bush, the branches flying as the tractor sped up. With a resounding thump that scared the animal life for miles the flighty Massey-Ferguson stopped. Instantly, a sense of the other-world overtook Jack. He became instantly and totally aware of his surroundings. He wiped the sweat from his eyes and at once was amazed. The heat-haze had cleared, so had the thick bush. Jack was on top of a plateau, looking wide-eyed at the most incredible sight. He had stumbled upon a perfect natural amphitheatre of immense dimensions.

"Hmmm", thought Jack. "Build a stage, wack 15 bands on over a weekend, provide a free campsite and barbecue facilities and there could be a totally independent festival of great live music every year."

The Meredith Music Festival was born.

1991 was the Festival's first year. A small but diehard core of several hundred culturalists enjoyed a weekend of pure musical indulgence, devoid of the hassles of city living. They parked their cars on the site (after a 1½ hour road trip) and pitched their tents, they revelled in the atmosphere of free living, cheap food and no curfews. No grotty carpets, no bar queues, no taxi fares home. The legend had begun!

1992 brought a crowd three times the size. Word had spread. They flocked to see the rock n roll, the jazz, the ska, the grunge, the funk, the acoustic and the stuff that's beyond description, all performed through a giant sound system, in the usually tranquil surrounds of the Brisbane Ranges.

1993 brings the promise of the best Meredith Music Festival yet. The quality and variety of bands remains intact. The Meredith Music Festival is committed to 'better' before 'bigger'.

MEREDITH MUSIC FESTIVAL 1993

DATE · SATURDAY 11TH AND SUNDAY 12th DECEMBER

VENUE MEREDITH FESTIVAL SITE (10kms out of Meredith)

BANDS. GUTTERSNIPIES, THE PLUMS, FIREBALLS, THE  
AFFECTED, HOSS, BILLY BAXTER, HOUSEWIVES  
CHOICE, RIPE, LOIN GROIN, POWDER MONKEYS, NKS  
JAM, SPIDERBAIT, FAT THING, ICE CREAM HANDS,  
KIPLING ENSEMBLE, SEEWEAD GOORILLAS.

MUSIC STARTS SATURDAY AFTERNOON

COST \$23 PRE PAID  
\$28 AT THE GATE

FREE CAMPSITE, CHEAP FOOD, BBQS (BYO FOOD)  
16 BANDS.

INFO LINE 03 699 7089  
03 699 3077

TICKETS

MELBOURNE AU GO GO RECORDS, GREVILLE ST AND  
GASLIGHT.

BALLARAT CAMP HOTEL, RENDEZVOUS CAFE, 3BBB.

GEELONG CC RECORDS, FORTE MAGAZINE

## MEREDITH MUSIC FESTIVAL

### FACT SHEET

- Meredith is 90 kms due West of Melbourne, Melway reference 425 C5, or 409 C3. The easiest way from Melbourne is via Geelong, which takes around 90 minutes.
- The Festival is over two days, the 11th and 12th of December, 1993. Gates open 12 noon on Saturday, parking and camping are free, BYO tent etc.
- Bands start 4.00 pm Saturday, and play until the wee small hours - there is NO CURFEW, no noise restrictions. There are 16 bands; the bill starts again Sunday morning.
- The site is a natural amphitheatre.
- Tickets are \$23 pre-sold, or \$28 at the gate.
- BYO alcohol, NO GLASS!! The Royal Hotel is 10 mins from the site. BBQ facilities will be available, there will also be food stalls operating.
- People are expected from all over Victoria especially Melbourne, Geelong, the West Coast, Ballarat, Bendigo, Warrnambool - everywhere!! (Last year we had people from NSW, S.A and Tasmania!).
- The Festival is a non-profit event, any profit will be poured into next year's festival.
- This is the Festival's third year, last year attracting 800 people, this year, organizers expect to double that, and then some.
- Organised by friends of good music.