

St John's Community Fair 14 October 2023

Entertainment Program

Time	Inside the Church	Under The Tree	Arena	Heritage Tour *
9am	Bell ringing			church
9.05am		McQuoid's Offering BushBand		
9.30am	Radford College Camerata			churtyard
9.40am			AFG Precision Drill Team	
10.00am	Bell ringing			church
10.05am		McQuoid's Offering BushBand		
10.30am	COZMO - Capital of Australia Mandolinata			churtyard
10.40am			Medieval Tournament	
11.00am	Bell ringing			church
11.05am		St Johns@6 Band		
11.30am	Strange Weather Choir			churtyard
11.40am			AFG Precision Drill Team	
12.00pm	Bell ringing			church
12.05pm		St Johns@6 Band		
12.30pm	Con Campbell Quartet			churtyard
12.40pm			Medieval Tournament	
1pm	Bell ringing			church
1.05pm	Extended Heritage Tour	Canberra Pipes and Drums		
1.30pm	Extended Heritage Tour			churtyard
1.40pm	Extended Heritage Tour		Maypole Dance	
2pm	Fair Close	Fair Close		Fair Close
	* Church Heritage Tour start point - South side of the church			

Hourly Cycles

The entertainment program is based on five one-hour cycles, with the ringing of the bells at the start of each hour.

Inside the Church

Inside the church allows a reflective time to listen to the musical groups in the last half hour of each cycle. Heritage tours inside the church at the start of the hour will allow an understanding of the many heritage aspects of the church.

Under The Tree

The entertainment under the tree provides a great atmosphere for people to enjoy the Fair.

Arena

On the arena there will be a mix of the old with medieval tournaments, and the more modern with the Australian Federation Guard Precision Drill team. As a finale to the Fair, a traditional maypole dance will occur in the last entertainment cycle for the day.

Entertainment Listing

<p>Australian Federation Guard (AFG) Precision Drill Team</p>	<p>Australia's Federation Guard is the tri service ceremonial unit of the Australian Defence Force. They provide a ceremonial presence at civil and military events, and during visits to Australia by foreign dignitaries.</p> <p>Australia's Federation Guard Precision Drill Team is a 16 member team that conducts precise marching and rifle drill to drum beats and without words of command. The routine you will see has been created by the members within the team and all moves, spins & drums are self-taught. The weapons within the display are the Self-Loading Rifle and the Enfield 303 Rifle, previously used by the Australian Defence Force.</p>
<p>Bell ringing</p>	<p>Each hour, the St John's bellringers will sound a selection of popular tunes and perform traditional English change ringing. The eight bells of St John's were a gift from a former Governor General, Viscount De L'Isle as a memorial to his wife Jacqueline. The large number of bells can be rung solo or in pairs and can be heard as far as Lake Burley Griffin. They are sounded for Sunday morning services and to mark weddings and other special occasions.</p>
<p>Canberra Pipes and Drums</p>	<p>Canberra City Pipes and drums is the Australian Capital Territory's premier ceremonial pipe and drum band. They will perform a range of pipe band music. http://www.ccpd.org.au; https://m.facebook.com/canberracitypipesanddrums/</p>
<p>Con Campbell Quartet</p>	<p>Featuring Lachlan Coventry (guitar), Chris Pound (double bass), Nick McBride (drums) and Con Campbell (saxophone), this world-class ensemble performs every Wednesday night at Molly (Melbourne Building, Canberra City) and plays a mix of modern jazz standards.</p>
<p>COZMO - Capital of Australia Mandolinata</p>	<p>COZMO is a Canberra community based 'plucked string' ensemble, comprising mandolin-family instruments (mandolin, mandola, mandocello), guitar and bass. We welcome students, from brand-new beginners up, to our learning group, and are always happy to have new players join our ensemble. We play a delightful repertoire and achieve a great balance of learning (playing & theory), improving and fun at each of our weekly rehearsals. Contact us on 0421 043 082 if you'd like to know more!</p>
<p>Duntroon Guides</p>	<p>The heritage tours will be provided by Duntroon Guides – a volunteer group with a deep understanding of the close connections between St John's Canberra and the Royal Military College Duntroon.</p>
<p>Extended Heritage Tour</p>	<p>In the last hour cycle, all the time will be provided for the conduct of heritage tours inside the church. In each of the other hours, a limited opportunity will be provided inside the church for heritage tours just after the bells ring.</p>
<p>Heritage Tour inside the church</p>	<p>The Duntroon Guides will provide a limited tour inside the church just after the bells ring. In the last hour cycle an extended heritage tour will be available.</p>
<p>Heritage Tour in the churchyard</p>	<p>The Duntroon Guides will provide a heritage tour of the churchyard, this will include: Barabara Potts the first person to be buried in the churchyard, Sergeant Ernest Murray a member of the first landing party at Gallipoli, the graves of two Governors-General, and the 'Marigold Elizabeth', the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Tree.</p>

Maypole Dance	The maypole dance has its origins in Europe as a celebration of a change of season. The participants dance around a pole holding a ribbon per person to weave the ribbon around the pole. This will be the first time the maypole dance has been performed at a St John's Community Fair for many years. The maypole dance will act as a finale to the Fair, ending at 2pm with the closure of the Fair.
McQuoid's Offering Bush Band	McQuoid's Offering provides bush dances and music for a whole range of celebrations and community events. Dances include traditional dances, such as Strip the Willow, Waves of Bondi, Stockyards, Drongo, and Troika, and songs include traditional bush ballads, as well as more contemporary songs about Australia.
Medieval Tournament	The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) provides medieval tournaments in period dress showcasing the various methods of fighting used in the medieval period. Enjoy the pageantry and skill of these fighters displaying medieval combat techniques using wooden swords for safety.
Radford College Camerata	The Camerata Choir from Radford College is an auditioned chamber choir of fifteen students from Years 9-12. They will be performing an eclectic set of songs, ranging from contemporary Classical to Popular styles.
St Johns@6 Band	The band is a jazz quintet featuring Tom Priest (saxophone), Rory Villegas (trumpet), Liv Uebergang (guitar), Jeremy Tsuei (double bass) and Tony Stankovic (drums). Most of the members attend the St Johns@6 evening service and are all connected variously through the ANU School of Music.
Strange Weather Choir	The Strange Weather Choir spans contemporary, folk, indigenous, gospel and spiritual songs. Members are from all walks of life united by a love of singing in a supportive environment. Strange Weather entertains at a variety of events and festivals in Canberra.

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<https://www.stjohnscanberra.org/fair>

Saturday 14 October 2023

9am to 2pm

45 Constitution Avenue, Reid, ACT