

## Rock God Calendar

- July 4 Last Group Class: Gig rehearsal.
- Jul10–15 Closed for holidays
- Jul 16 Thursday: Jesse Continues private lessons through holidays
- Jul 20 Monday: Private Lessons resume.
- July 22 Beginner: School Holiday Guitar Workshop.
- Jul 23 Intermediate: School Holiday Guitar Workshop
- Jul 23 **GIG: Iguana Joes** 5pm till 8pm
- Jul 27 Term 3 commences
- Jul 28 Junior 3 Group class resumes 3.30pm
- Aug 1 Saturday Group Classes recommence Term 3.



## A NEW SCANDAL AT IGUANA JOES??

Well we've finally got our first pub / club gig. **Rock God Music Schools** group classes will be performing at **Iguana Joes** on **Thursday the 23rd July**.

Four Group classes will be performing during the evening. We will start with the **Junior 3 class at 5.30pm, followed by Junior 2, Junior 1** and the **Intermediate class**. I expect the Intermediate class to be finished their set by 8.30 so it wont be too late a night.

The gig will be held in **Iguana Joes "Event Room"**, which is on the right hand side as you enter. Iguana Joes are currently running a **2 for 1 meal deal** on Thursday evenings so you may wish to make an evening of it! Students and guest under the age of 18 are not allowed to enter the main bar with-

out the accompaniment of an adult. There will be a bar open in the event room on the evening serving soft drinks. Alcoholic beverages can be bought in the main bar.

This gig will be a little different from recent shopping centre gigs. This time around we will really need to bring as many people as we can to fill the room and create an atmosphere.

The **final Rock God Group Class** for the term will be **Saturday the 4th July**. Students will receive their practice CD at the rehearsal with the usual backing tracks. There's almost a **3 week gap between the rehearsal and the gig** so please make sure you put in plenty of practice leading up to the gig. Particularly the intermedi-

ate class who's songs this term involve each guitar student playing a solo & complex arrangements.

Remember to wear your **Rock God T-shirt** on the evening. Of course **Rock God T-Shirts** are not compulsory but it gives your band a more 'distinct' look. For those that don't have a T-Shirt and would like to purchase one, please ask at your next class. T-Shirts are **\$20** each.

Can everyone remember to tune your guitars before you leave home, and practice the songs well enough not to need music sheets. This should be a fun gig for all and a chance for students to feel what its like to play a real gig. Rock On!!

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS AND LESSONS

We are again holding our **Guitar Workshops for Beginner & Intermediate players** on **Wed & Thurs 22nd & 23rd July 2009**. The Wednesday workshop is for beginners and Thursday for Intermediate players. Workshops run for 3 hours and cost \$45 per student.

So if you want to improve your chops or know someone who is just starting out and needs some guidance please check out our website for times and further details.

**Private Lessons** will continue

during the holidays from **Thurs 16th July**. Let us know if you cant make your lessons and be sure to reserve your spot for term 3.

**Group class students could benefit from additional private lessons during the break. To book call 43296637**

**For those about to ROCK... We can teach YOU!**

## TERM 3 CLASSES, TIMETABLE and Fiji ☺

Rock You

long time!!



There are no major changes to report going into **Term 3**. All classes will remain at the same Bat time, same Bat channel (showing my age here).

As mentioned on the Rock God Calendar **private classes will continue over the holidays except for the Mon 13th —Wed 15th July**. That's because I (Jonny) have scored a gig in Fiji and am taking my lovely wife away for our first bit of alone time since the kids came along (almost 4

years ago!!) Woohoo. On that note our little Ruby turns 1 on July 10th. Where did the year go?

I'll be **back for Week 2** of the holidays. Please let me know if you are away or wishing to have a break during the holidays so that we can hold your time slot going into **Term 3**.

**Here are the current Group Class times for term 3.**

**Saturdays:**

**12 noon - Intermediate**

**1.30pm - Junior 1**

**3.00pm - Junior 2**

**Tuesdays**

**3.30pm—Junior 3**

Cost for Group & Private classes remain at **\$25** per student. Remember there is a **10% discount** if you pay for the term in advance on or before your 1st lesson.

## WHAT ARE WE LEARNING IN TERM 3 ?

Good question. Well Term 2 was definitely the most productive yet. Group classes have become much more structured and sophisticated. We spent the term focusing on specific guitar skills applicable to the students current level of playing.

The Intermediate class started soloing, spending the term playing songs/ solos/ riffs using the **5 Minor Pentatonic patterns**. This is the most common scale used in Rock and Blues. Most of the songs were blues based giving our

singers **Roxy & Darien** a chance to experiment with vocal techniques and improvisation.

Next term the Intermediate class will be looking at the **Major / Pentatonic scale**. Songs will be chosen around different patterns of the "big daddy" of scales whilst trying to pick tunes that the girls will enjoy singing.

The **Junior 1** class focused on **Barre Chord Songs**. We covered a huge variety of songs & techniques using these (hard for kids hands) chord shapes. The ability

to play Barre Chords triples a students chord vocabulary overnight.

Next term the Junior 1 class will be playing **Riff Songs**. Great songs and great riffs. Lots of single note lines which will get the kids ready for some basic soloing which we will address in the last term.

The **Junior 2** class played **A shaped power chords** all term cementing their knowledge of the note names on the A string whilst preparing for harder chords to

come. Next term its **E & A shaped Power Chords**, mixing them up to create greater speed around the fret board. Lotsa punk songs next term.

The **Junior 3** class played **E shaped power chord songs** increasing their knowledge of the fret board and strengthening their guitar hands & fingers for what's to come. And what's coming next term is **A shaped power chords**. Yeehah.

We hope you will enjoy and learn from next terms songs.

## NEW TEACHER. NEW STUDENTS

I would like to introduce our **new Rock God Guitar Teacher** to you all. His name is **Jesse Hodgetts** and he is from Point Clare. Jesse is a young man with a big future. He's already a monster guitar player and is currently finishing his music degree at The Institute of Music in Sydney. He plans to go to university at the completion of his current studies and get his teaching degree making him a fully qualified music teacher (all before reaching the ripe old age of 23). Jesse is currently teaching on Thursday afternoons,

Saturday mornings and Saturday afternoons (Junior 2 Group Class). Expect to see more of Jesse during the coming term as his student load increases. He will also be filling in for Jonny, when a gig comes along, so please make sure you say hello.

We would like to welcome the following new students to Rock God Music School: Max Lambert, Jake Bateman, Danielle Barnes, Norm Anderson, Ryan Beffield, Benny Stevens, Shannon Reynolds, Kevin Lucas & Alison Williams. Rock well and hard.



## ROCK GOD MUSIC SCHOOL

- Guitar, Bass & Vocal Lessons
- Private & Group Classes.
- School Holiday Workshops

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