

Garry John Handford

Garry is a self taught guitarist. He has worked extensively since 1983, gaining experience in the industry, building up his repertoire and self promoting his very interesting works. With his first band "Doctors Of The Future" playing originals and covers, he performed amongst 5 other bands including Differ Revel at The Entrance '83 Rock Concert to 1500 people.

After recording a demo at 2WS studios and sponsored by Westone Guitars, he played a series of promotional gigs in venues around Wyong & Gosford.

He also wrote a selection of songs for Dan Day, a Country & Western singer from Wyong and in keeping with his active writing, also wrote an advertising jingle for radio station 2GZ.

With 1983 being a busy year, 1984 was not going to be any exception. They were one of

the 10 bands selected from 150 entries. The 10 bands were recorded and a compilation record was made entitled "049 Newcastles Finest". The song recorded was "Why do you cry at night".

The album received airplay on 2NX and 2JJ Sydney and Garry conducted several promotional interviews on radio.

He entered "Battle of The Bands" which was sponsored by Radio 2NX & Polygram, then recorded another demo at Reel Time Studios in Sydney.

After moving to Sydney, he played many venues, hotels and clubs and played with Sydney band "Daniel & The Lions". With interest shown by the managers of Moving Pictures and Celibate Rifles, he was asked to tour with them after hearing the originals at Strawberry Hills recording studio.

1986 proved to be a busy performance based time, playing a number of country areas, Orange, Lithgow, Kandos, Rylstone, Forbes, Cobar, Tomingley, Bathurst, Gulgong and Mudgee and saw the production of "Planet Of Love" which received airplay on 2GZ and 2BS.

In 1987 he recorded an album "Food For Thought" at Reel Time Studios and he was asked to attend the APRA presentation night at the Regent Hotel, Sydney.

The Album was mastered at EMI studios and promoted with interviews on radio, advertising on newspapers and in the "On The Street" magazine, and Aired on CDN-8 & TV Studios.

In 2000, to add to his impressive list songwriting achievements, he wrote a jingle for the Conscious Living Expo for Channel 10 in Western Australia.

In 2002, the album entitled "Spacejet" was completed through Empire Records Melbourne and he is currently interested in acquiring sponsorship.

Garry had also been very busy writing the musical score for a documentary for Film Australia and played with a live theatre group. With a minimum of 150 originals ready, including a rock opera on the life and times of King Arthur, he is very open to any ideas or thoughts for his music.



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