

# Colin Buchanan is coming to Tracks 2025!

Set to take place from the 3-6th October, Tracks Outback Concert is a celebration of country and gospel music, bringing together artists from all over Australia to also highlight PIM's gospel work across the country.

We are thrilled to announce Colin Buchanan as the headline artist for Tracks 2025. Colin Buchanan is a celebrated Christian singer/songwriter who boasts an impressive array of accolades including ARIA, APRA, and ten Golden Guitar awards. The number of Christian songs he has written for children are almost too many to count, and all good Christian bookshops are typically full of his CD's.

Also on the lineup for 2025 is Steve Messer's Strange Country. For over thirty years Strange Country has performed across Australia at concerts, festivals and live radio broadcasts, including many years appearing at the Tamworth Country Music Festival, where Steve has twice won the Hohner Golden Harmonica Championship before going on to judge the award in subsequent years. Steve Messer says that we "cook the musical flavours of country, blues and gospel into an original uptowndownhome, pre-post-modern, rhythm'n'bluegrass stew".

Rounding out the weekend's lineup is Zoe Tyne, who will perform a new EP alongside her new bass guitar player. Zoe's voice, often compared to Judith Durham's, will resonate beautifully against the picturesque backdrop of bushland and crops, promising an unforgettable musical experience.

Tracks is held at PIM's 600-acre rural property New Dunesk near Ardlethan in New South Wales. Over the weekend, attendees are invited to camp onsite and enjoy a range of family-friendly activities alongside the Saturday concert, including 4WD guided tours of New Dunesk, self-guided bushwalks, an informal campfire Open Mic on Saturday evening and an onsite church service on Sunday morning. There will also be ample opportunity to meet many of PIM's ministry teams to hear about the work they are doing across Australia.

This is an event not to be missed. Camp out under the stars, take in the stunning outback scenery of New Dunesk and enjoy live music from a fantastic lineup of Australian country singers.

### Tickets on sale now

Don't miss out on early bird pricing, available until 31st July.

Early bird: \$60 Full price: \$80

Children under 18 attend for FREE.

Free camping onsite for the full weekend is included in the ticket price. Day passes also available.

For further information and to register, visit pim.org.au/event/tracks or email events@pim.org.au.



# From the patrols

# Easter outreach at Bombala

The tiny church grounds at Bombala were a sea of activity over the Easter weekend again this year. Supporters of the Snowy Mountains Patrol travelled to the high country to join with people from the surrounding districts for a time of Bible teaching, public worship and warm fellowship.

The weekend began with everyone arriving, pitching swags, setting up camper trailers and vans, then catching up over dinner around a roaring campfire.

Saturday morning started with prayer, breakfast and then into the two talks on covenant before lunch. Daniel Johns from Bairnsdale Presbyterian Church did an excellent job at bringing the meaning and relevance of God's covenants, helping everyone to understand God's commitment to his purposes and His people. Good conversation flowed from the talks as we all headed to lunch.



During the afternoon many travelled to a rural property where the young and the brave went swimming in the cold Bombala River. There were also updates on PIM, prayer for all the patrols, as well as for rural ministry in other remote places.

Resurrection Sunday morning brought the ringing of the church bell and the BBQ being prepared. The worship service was supported by locals and those from out of town, and Nathan Runham clearly communicated just how important Christ's resurrection is for all.

The morning continued with enriching conversations during morning tea, followed by an Easter egg hunt, and culminated in lunch. The last attendees departed late in the afternoon, bringing an end to a truly uplifting and memorable weekend.



The Easter Outreach weekend brought many memories and real blessing to the people who came from across Australia (QLD, Sydney, ACT, and VIC) to join with the locals. Everyone in Bombala certainly knew that there was plenty of activity at the Presbyterian Church. In a wider sense, it has given Noah and Nerroli many opportunities to speak about what they are doing as they prepared for Easter, and following the weekend to engage with the locals who were keen to ask questions about how everything went.

Thanks to everyone who prayed and supported this work. We continue to believe that God is using the Vasilades and the work out of Bombala to bring light and salt to the communities in the Snowy River Patrol, both in the High Country and down into far east Victoria.

To stay up to date on the work of the Vasiliades on the Snowy Mountains Patrol, visit pim.org.au/give/ snowymountains to join the mailing list, or email Noah directly on noahvasiliades@pim.org.au.



# **News & updates**

# Two new roles at PIM

With two exciting new patrol partnerships currently being developed, a growing number of events running at New Dunesk and an existing team to support, the PIM Committee is now looking for two more people to join us. The roles of National Director and Events Manager will each play a crucial part in the next stage of PIM's mission. For more information on either of these roles, visit pim.org.au/ministryopportunities, or contact Committee Secretary Andrew Letcher on secretary@pim.org.au or call 0493 386 255.

### **National Director**

The Presbyterian Inland Mission Committee is seeking to appoint a National Director to provide operational leadership for PIM through the implementation of its Strategic Plan.

Applications are sought from Christian leaders with a heart for making disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ and the organisational leadership skills and energy to get things done. An affinity for people living in remote and rural parts of Australia is a must, as is the willingness to travel widely in support of the PIM team.

The National Director of the Presbyterian Inland Mission (PIM) is the operational leader of PIM, responsible to the PIM Committee for the daily operations of PIM and the implementation of the PIM Committee's approved Strategic Plan. The role of National Director is a rewarding and influential role that seeks to shape and enable the Presbyterian Church of Australia's efforts to advance the Gospel in remote and sparsely populated areas of our continent, often in places where there is little other Christian witness.

Ideal applicants will have demonstrated organisational leadership and management experience, skills in public speaking and a strong relational focus. Experience as a Minister or Elder in a PCA congregation will be highly regarded. The successful appointee must meet the Biblical qualifications described in 1 Tim. 3:1-7 & Titus 1:6-9 and will need to reside within driving distance of PIM's home 'New Dunesk' in Ardlethan, NSW.

### **Event Manager**

PIM is calling for expressions of interest from experienced Event Managers to work with us to organise around eight to ten events at New Dunesk each year. Each event at New Dunesk helps to inspire, equip and send out God's people for ministry to the Inland. If you have experience organising events for groups from twenty to two hundred people and would love to use your skills to help make disciples for the Lord Jesus Christ in remote and rural parts of Australia, we would love to have a chat.

## Welcome back Andrew

The PIM Committee recently welcomed back Andrew Letcher. After finishing as the PIM CEO in the middle of 2022, Andrew and Fleur and their two daughters moved to Sydney for a season of study at Sydney Missionary and Bible College. Earlier this year Andrew rejoined PIM, this time as a member of the PIM Committee where he now serves as the Secretary, helping in the areas of governance and ministry strategy.

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