# Invercargill Rock n Roll Club Proudly Presents

# "HAPPY DAYS" 2019 Junior Nationals Starter Pack

We are looking forward to hosting you all for the 2019 Junior Nationals in Invercargill. We will guide you through everything you need to know about booking your big trip to the Deep South.

Please urgently book your accommodation and local transport as there is another National Event on in Invercargill at Easter.

# **Getting Here**

#### By Car

Heading south from Dunedin you can follow SH 1 to Invercargill, with a travelling time of about two-and-a-half hours. Invercargill is about two-and-a-half hours south of Queenstown via SH 6.

#### By Plane

Invercargill Airport is 3 km from the Central Business District. Air New Zealand has flights from Christchurch and Wellington. A flight from Christchurch takes about an hour in a turboprop aircraft. On a clear day the flight is spectacular, with the Southern Alps to the west of the flight path. If flying south to Invercargill request a window seat on the right or starboard side of the aircraft (request port or left if flying out to Christchurch.) Mount Cook, which is visible about half way through the flight, is merely the biggest of the many massive peaks of the Southern Alps. A direct flight from Wellington takes around 2 and a half hours.

You may choose to fly into Queenstown or Dunedin, but please be aware that you will have about a  $2 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$  hour drive from either of these destinations.

#### **Accommodation**

We have a range of Hotels and Motels to suit everybody's budget and most are only a 5-10 minute drive from our venue.

Attached to this cover letter is a list of Motels in Invercargill in the Hospitality Association or a simple google search will send you in the right direction.

Please book your accommodation as soon as possible.

## **Local Transport**

Rental Cars and Vans are available to hire.

Attached in this folder are details for Riverside Rentals who are providing transport for the Executive Free of Charge. So again where possible we would appreciate you supporting them if you can.

Riverside Rentals <u>www.riversiderentals.co.nz</u>

Please book your local transport as soon as possible.

#### **Our Venue**

The 2019 Junior Rock n Roll Nationals are going to be held at ILT Stadium Southland. ILT Stadium Southland is a tried and tested venue that has hosted many National and International tournaments, conferences and other events. The facilities are world class and we will have a large portion of them reserved for our private use.

- Changing Facilities that have hosted Southern Steel, Southland Sharks and the Silver Ferns
- Grandstand Seating with perfect views of the dance floor. This area is usually used as Corporate Seating at major sports events
- Ample Ground Floor space to fit all our competitors and supporters
- Full Court warm up area
- On Site Café experienced in dealing with large events providing Espresso Coffee and fresh healthy choice food
- Parking will be a breeze as we will have over 300 reserved carparks.
- Campervan Parking will be available (as long as it is self-contained) and we are in the process of getting shower access provided for you also. (Bookings will be required for this)

www.stadiumsouth.co.nz

## **Dining and Off-Site Food**

Invercargill is fortunate to have a wide range of restaurants within walking distance or even on site with most of our accommodation providers. Included in this folder is a Dining Guide for some of our restaurants.

Due to being Easter Weekend, let us remind you that the Supermarkets will not be open and our convenience stores do not carry the range that some of the main cities do.

Our suggestion is that you take advantage of Countdowns On-Line Shopping and arrange for your grocery needs to be delivered to your accommodation on Thursday afternoon. Most moteliers here in Invercargill are very accommodating and will look after your perishables if you are looking to arrive on Good Friday.

#### **Activities**

Invercargill and the wider Southland area has so much to offer to everyone and may we suggest adding a day or two to your visit to our beautiful countryside to enjoy some of what we have available.

<u>www.southlandnz.com</u> is a useful website to help you look into some of the attractions available, and there are also brochures included in this folder. The organising committee is working with some of these to get discount rates for our participants and supporters and we will let you know about these as they are confirmed.

Some ideas for areas to visit are:

- Splash Palace
- Ten Pin bowling
- Transport World
- Dig This
- Motorcycle Mecca
- E Hayes & Sons
- Catlins
- Stewart Island
- Doubtful Sound
- Milford Sound

Also included in this folder are maps of Invercargill city to assist you with your bookings and facilities nearby.

This letter will also be sent to all clubs in electronic format for easy distribution to members.

We look forward to keeping you up to date with more information as it becomes available.

In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Nicky Phillipson on 2019juniornationals@gmail.com or 027 213 1592.

Happy Planning

**2019 Junior Nationals Organising Committee**