

# The Steve McDonald Fan Club

## Newsletter Steve McDonald Fan Club Newsletter #36

Sent November 1, 2008

Dear Friends and Fan Club Family,  
A BIG HELLO to all of you, both new and long standing members! I thank you all for your emails, and continued interest in Steves music.  
I wish you a month filled with special times with family and friends. May this holiday season bring peace, health, and happiness to each and every one of you.



### *Steves wee newsletter blurb*

*" Not much to blurb about this month, getting busy with live gigs for the Xmas period. Work on my new album is slow at this time of year so wont be much happening for a few months, should get it finished around end of January. Will post some of my live gigs up next week for anyone in Kiwi land. Cheers to you all."  
Steve*

### **Whats New:**

#### **A New Contest !!**

I have begun working on the 2009 fan club calendar. Send me your calendar page designs and the winners will receive an autographed CD! All ideas will be welcomed!

Has everyone checked out Steves vintage Voyager video, from the Spinfield Album? If not, go to [www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](http://www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com), Click on the Videos and Music button on the Main Page. Then click on the blue Sons of Somerled album cover, and go to Spinfield. I'd enjoy hearing your comments.

I hope you have enjoyed the links on Steves Bio page: the old pictures and band info, and music. Please have a listen to Steves **Song of 85** and I've added more tracks from his first solo album recorded in 1980: **The Riddle and the Rhyme**. What do you think?

Have you visited Steves MySpace page? Its been a good move, and brought many more fans to the club. Many thanks to those of you who made the suggestion to me.  
Check it out at [www.myspace.com/stevemcdonaldfanclub](http://www.myspace.com/stevemcdonaldfanclub) and become Steves friend!

What do you think of this idea? We have been thinking of doing away with the Forum Topic of the Month, since we do not get contributions for every topic. In its place we would have a section where members of the fan club could write on any relevant topic, such as Steves music, concerts, albums, and what you would like on the website. The topics would be chosen by the fans themselves, and you could reply to each others suggestions and opinions in a thread. Please send me some feedback on this suggestion.

If anyone has an idea for something new to add to the website or MySpace, please write to me and let me know at [jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](mailto:jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com).





# Contests! Contests! Contests!

*Lets get right to it!*



## **Forum & Topic of the Month:**

This months Topic of the Month winner is **Rick Steele!** Please email your snail mail address to me so that I can send out your autographed CD to you!!

The Topic was Steves own question:

Elections coming up in our country in November as well as in the US.

Interesting that about this time all the bad mouthing starts to get really volatile, and all the internet jokes get more intense. I think the world of

politics is very much like the music business in that, 1. There's potentially a lot of money to be made ( by someone??)

2. There's infamy ( I got it in for you as well )

3. You know who you can trust ( nobody)

4. You're never going to fulfill all your dreams and aspirations ( in the case of politics, promises )

So why do we make such a fuss about them? Let me know, the best

answer will get an autographed copy of "Light from a Distant Shore" by

Steve McDonald & Hollie Smith.

Congratulations, Rick!

Steve read all the entries and his reply was:

***"That's all good. I've already posted the CD to you with Rick's name on it. ( on the inside of the first page of the booklet) your choice was good. Interesting to know how people feel. Steve"***

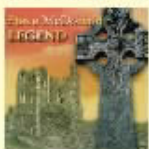
## **We will start our new Forum this month.**

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Also, please keep those Forum Questions for Steve coming! He loves to hear from you, and answers all your questions. There are two pages on the Forum, one for questions for Steve (please keep your forum questions to only being about his music, albums and gigs/tours) and one for Topic of the Month.

If any of you have any ideas for the Forum Topic of the Month, please write to me and let me know them.

Check it all out at [www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](http://www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com)



## **On The Road Contest News**

We have gotten a few new On The Road members! Please go to page 2 of On The Road and meet them!

Peter Hennig, you are this months winner of an

autographed CD! Please contact me at

[jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub](mailto:jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub) with your address.

## **We need some more of Steves fans to blow their own horn!**

I know that everyone who loves Steves music tells their friends about it, and shares his music. Cmon now! Write in and let me know, and I will post your stories, and enter you to win an autographed CD!

The Steve McDonald On The Road Team is a very special group of Steves listeners who help promote his music. I know through your e-mails to me that many of you are already doing this by telling friends about his music, posting about his music on message boards, and asking for his CDs in stores. Thank you all for your efforts! Were thrilled by your support, and I'd love to encourage you to continue to spread the word about his music. On The Road Team membership is open to all of his listeners, and benefits include your name listed on the front page of the On The Road Team section of the Fan Club website, and a chance to win autographed CDs in a monthly drawing for On The Road Team members only. Joining is easy...visit the On The Road Team section and click on "Invitation" to see what you need to do. Whether you decide to join the team or not, we appreciate your support!

## **This Months Sweepstakes Winner:**

Drum roll, please! Congratulations to Kevin Davis, the lucky winner of October's contest! Youve won an autographed CD! And hey, that's even better than a trophy! <grin> Please contact me at [jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](mailto:jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com) with your snail mail address and choice of Highland Farewell or Legend, so I can send your autographed CD to you!

Those of you who didn't win should not despair. I've still got plenty of prizes, and I'm going to continue to give one away each month, which means more opportunities to win! So if you've been putting off entering, now is the time!

There is a new song for the Sweepstakes! Here is the lyric:

"By law a landlord can become

The ghost of every crofters home..."

And I bet those of you who have listened the **Highland Farewell** CD already know the answer! Best of luck to everyone who enters (I wish it could be all of you!).

One entry is good for each monthly drawing, so if you haven't entered yet, what are you waiting for? We'll be drawing a winner at the end of every month. But all of October's contest entries have been tossed out. November 1 the new sweepstakes starts. Go to

<http://www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com> now and fill out the form for a chance to win.

If you want more information, all of the nitty-gritty details are on the website. Click on over to [www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](http://www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com), click on the Over To You button, then the Sweepstakes button, and get your name in the contest. Best of luck to you all!



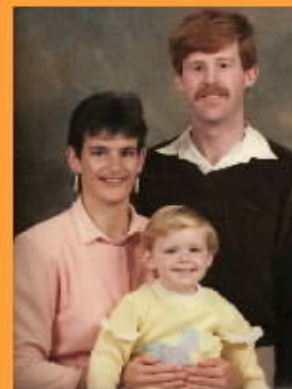
# Member Spotlight

Congratulations, Craig and Debbie Martin! You are the Spotlighted Members of the Month!

"We have seen Steve perform heaps at pubs and parties he was our regular musician. Our daughter is 14 and she was barely walking when she was partying to Steve's music. We also had the privilege of having Steve play at our wedding reception.

The photos that I've attached are Janie at party Nov 1992 in which Steve played, this is the other photo, and a photo of Craig and myself

Thanks  
Debbie and Craig Martin"



Please click [www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](http://www.stevemcdonaldfanclub.com) , click on Over To You and Member Spotlight! Get to know Craig and Debbie, and meet all the others!

Although "Member Spotlight" on the fan site is not actually new, it's been growing. You can post information about yourself and pictures of your pets there, so check it out and add yourself if you'd like!

Join us! Join in the fun! Send in your pictures and tell us a little about yourselves for our Member Spotlight pages!

We would really like to see some more new faces on our Member Spotlight pages! So please everybody, send in a picture and tell us a little about yourself. I know there are more fan club members out there besides the same familiar faces already on our pages! Please join us and say hello! Send us a picture and tell us about yourself! If you have ever seen Steve perform, or had your picture taken with him, please send that along, too!



Steve at Craig and Debbie's wedding

## ***That's all for this month***

Please remember that Steve enjoys hearing from all of you, so be sure to send him an e-mail through the fan club at [admin@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](mailto:admin@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com) He has asked me to

"Please assure people that I do read their letters and appreciate them very much."

If anyone has time and would like to put in their two cents worth with suggestions for anything you would like to see in the club store or have added to the web pages, please email me at [jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](mailto:jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com) . I am very interested in your feedback!

And on a final note, feel free to forward this newsletter to friends and/or post it at Celtic friendly music stores on the Internet . Thank you for your support!

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Until next month, I wish you fun filled days and happy listening!

I wish all of you in the United States a heartwarming Thanksgiving, and all of you everywhere a month of health and happiness.

Happy Holidays!  
Jackie