

# The Steve McDonald Fan Club

## Newsletter

### Steve McDonald Fan Club Newsletter #35

Sent October 1, 2008

Dear Friends and Fan Club Family,  
I can't believe summer is already over. Not that the weather's cooled much here in California--it's been in the 90s (33+ degrees C.) all week!--but school is well underway, and it feels like the holidays are quickly approaching.

Steve sends his thanks for his birthday pressies:  
"Thanks, really cool. I love the cup, never seen one like that before. The CD flipbook is great too.  
Thanks for everything, you help keep me going. Making a strong cup of coffee at morning tea time in my new cup.  
love  
Steve"

Has everyone seen Steves birthday page? I will leave it up for another week, so you can all read the flipbook entries from the fan club.



### Whats New:

Has everyone checked out Steves Bio on the website? Ive added some links you might find interesting: old pictures and band info, and music. Please have a listen to Steves Song of 85 and Ive added more tracks from his first solo album recorded in 1980: The Riddle and the Rhyme.

Has everyone been to Steves MySpace? 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) !

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. If anyone has an idea for something new to add to the website or MySpace, please write to me and let me know.



### Steves wee newsletter blurb

*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,*

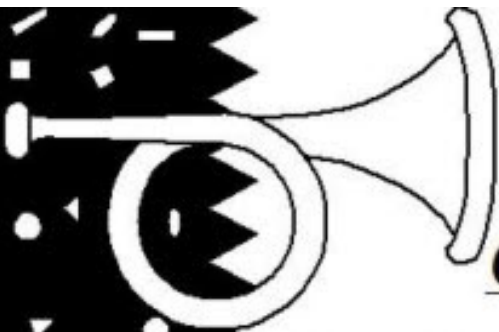
- 1. There's potentially a lot of money to be made ( by someone??)*
- 2. There's infamy ( I got it in for you as well )*
- 3. You know who you can trust ( nobody)*
- 4. You're never going to fulfill all your dreams and aspirations ( in the case of politics, promises )*

*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.  
Jackie, remind me to send it!!*

*cheers  
Steve*







## CONTEST NEWS

### This Months Sweepstakes Winner:

*Drum roll, please!*

Congratulations to Cassandra Bertrand, the lucky winner of September's contest! You've 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:  
*"Deep in the night in a quiet place  
I hear her voice, I see her face  
All in a dream*

*She was the Warrior Queen..."*

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



### Forum & Topic of the Month:

This month's Topic of the Month winner is Lynda Royball! Please email your snail mail address to me so that I can send out your autographed CD to you!! The Topic was:

*After visiting Steve's Bio page and listening to his track "Reflection" from "The Riddle and the Rhyme"-- Do you like the song? And would you like to hear more from that album?*

"Oh yes please please bring back the riddle and the rhyme. I love this song by Steve. I'd love to hear every song from this album. It's all part of Steve and should be played with others, even if it's different from his Celtic music. Lynda"

Congratulations, Lynda!

October's Forum Topic of the Month is from Steve's blurb--and the prize is Hollie Smith's CD "Light From A Distant Shore". Steve wrote most of the songs on the CD and sings with her. 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)



# Member News

## Member Spotlight:

Congratulations, Stacey Spitter! You are the Spotlitged Member of the Month!

"I am a big fan of Steve McDonald's after stumbling up on Highland Farewell though it's missing the cover I thought , I am not going to like this it's going to one of those over done , polished same song CDs that I have listened to once ,I put in and I was blown away, speechless. Since I am Scottish and been tracing my roots back, a highland Scot. Once I discovered my heritage I suddenly felt I finally belonged somewhere, ... My life's goal is to go to Scotland , thank you.. for giving such a great gift of your music.

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

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!



## Thats 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!

Best Wishes To All Of You, And have a Happy Autumn! A Happy Spring to those Down Under!

Jackie

PS. Please dont forget to have a look at the attached PDF version of the newsletter, with the added pictures. I will also add it to the newsletter archive page.

## 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! Manlee Rake, you are this months winner of an autographed CD! Please contact me at [jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com](mailto:jackie@stevemcdonaldfanclub.com) with your address and choice of Highland Farewell or Legend.

## 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!