

# Queensland Country

## Bringing country back - Ballandean Pub presents the first-ever Ballandean Country Fest!

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The Ballandean Pub in the Southern Downs & Granite Belt Region is gearing up for its first-ever country festival set for the long weekend on Saturday, 5 October!

Boasting a lineup packed with Aussie talent, all-day family fun, and plenty of food and drink, Ballandean Country Fest is shaping up to be the must-attend event for country music enthusiasts.

Featuring country legends such as Emma Jordyn, Peter Campbell, Riley Young and Melanie Dyer, you'll be boot-stompin' your way to a good time.

Peter Homan, CEO of Queensland Country, highlighted that this debut event will attract hundreds to the region, reinforcing the Southern Downs & Granite Belt as a premier Queensland destination.

"The Ballandean Pub highlights the essential role tourism operators play in creating the ultimate Queensland Country experience, showcasing genuine country hospitality. This event is set to draw a substantial number of visitors, eager to support local businesses and immerse themselves in the area's unique charm,"

"A huge congratulations to Adam and Sammie, the owners of the Ballandean Pub, for bringing this festival to life. With over 2.9 million visitors to Queensland Country each year, this is a prime opportunity to spotlight the Southern Downs & Granite Belt, continuing to make a significant impact on tourism." Mr Homan said.

Adam Penberthy, owner of the Ballandean Pub, shared his excitement about the upcoming event, hoping it will reignite a love for country in the local community.

"Since opening earlier this year, we wanted to create something special for the community and visitors that celebrates great music, good company, and having a fantastic time in a beautiful setting. The Ballandean Country Fest is exactly that; an event that really captures the spirit of country music and the warm, welcoming vibe that the Granite Belt is known for." Mr Penberthy said.

In addition to the stellar music lineup, festival-goers can look forward to a range of activities, including kids' entertainment, line dancing, karaoke, and a variety of food stalls.

While you're exploring the Southern Downs & Granite Belt, why not make a long weekend of it? Here are some of our handy guides to help you plan your getaway:

- [Moments like these are made with food, wine and conversation](#)
- [Enjoy nature's harvest on the Southern Downs and Granite Belt](#)
- [A travellers' guide to the Granite Belt](#)

The Ballandean Pub will be running a bus service picking up from Stanthorpe, Tenterfield and Wallangarra. Attendees must purchase a bus ticket in addition to an entry ticket.

**Grab your tickets before they sell out:** <https://bit.ly/47rYttO>

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