

Monaro Folk Society (MFS)

Annual Report on Settlers Group Activities

The Group continues to meet in the Irish Club, Weston on Thursdays between 2 & 4 pm. The club continues to be considerate, responsive and welcoming.

With few exceptions (mostly to observe festivals) the session meets weekly throughout the year. It takes a recess over Christmas and January. Attendance varies a bit from week to week but typically we see between 10 and 14 participants.

The activities of the Group occur without cost and do not require a payment by participants.

Settler music can be characterized as music brought to Australia by the many peoples who came here to settle over the past 236 years. The music derives from Europe, predominantly from Britain and Scandinavia, but it originates from wherever immigrants came from. Once here the music moved through communities, influencing other styles and changing in ways that reflect life in Australia. It has its own style; relaxed, laconic and pretty. The Settlers Sessions provide a way of accessing this music.

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