



Bands line up for summer

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THE sounds of summer will be belting out around the country, with outdoor concerts from the laid back peace festival of Parihaka, to the vineyards of Matakana to the mosh pits of the Big Day Out. Music feasts for fans to do some groovin' on a summer afternoon include:

Coca-Cola Bands on the Beach

Put on your jandals, crank up the barbie and slap on some sunscreen – Kiwi bands are coming to the beach. Band signings and giveaways, fun and games including bubble fights, giant twister and the world first launch of the ZURF.

Lineup: Midnight Youth, Dane Rumble and Ivy Lies. Drew Neemia celeb MC and guest DJs will keep the good times rolling between sets.

Dates:

January 1-2 – Midway Beach, Gisborne

January 5-6 – Tahunanui Beach, Nelson

January 9 – Piha, Auckland

January 10 – Piha, Auckland

FREE

Topp Twins, Don McGlashan and

Seven Sisters

New Zealand's well-loved entertainers Jools and Lynda Topp celebrate 25 years in show business, and a double half-century as twin sisters with a vineyard tour of New

Zealand. The brand new show, supported by ex-Muttonbird frontman Don McGlashan, promises to be a funny and clever telling of the twins' metamorphosis from dairy farmers daughters to national comedians.

Dates:

Cable Bay Vineyard – Wed Jan 6

Mangawhai Tavern – Thu Jan 7

Ascension Wine Estate – Fri Jan 8

Wharepai Domain – Sun Jan 10

Black Barn Vineyard – Sat Jan 16

Cost: Adults \$65 (General Admission)

Parihaka International Peace Festival - January 7-11 @ Parihaka Paa, Pungarehu, Opunake

Forty of New Zealand's top musical acts take the stage in a laid-back and friendly affair, situated under the shadow of Mount Taranaki.

Includes a speakers forum, film festival, eco forum, children's entertainment, teenage performance workshop, healing zone, festival choir and arts and crafts. Camping available.

Musical acts include:

Fat Freddy's Drop, Tiki Taane & The Dub Soldiers, Smashproof, the Bellbirds (a new band featuring Sean Donnelly and Don McGlashan), Billy TK & Powerhouse, Herbs Unplugged, Moana & The Tribe, King Kapisi and Teremoana Rapley, Ladi 6, plus exclusive performances by

Australian bands Kooii and Kingfisher.

Cost:

Gate Sales: \$220

Pre-Gate Sales: \$195

Ages 65-Plus: \$125

Ages 12-16: \$100

Children Under 12: \$10

Big Day Out - January 15 @ Mount Smart Stadium, Auckland

From the mosh-pits to the boiler room, the Big Day Out's annual New Zealand programme at Mt Smart Stadium includes eight stages of local and international acts.

Artists include:

Batucada Sound Machine, Calvin Harris, Concord Dawn, Deja Voodoo, Dimmer, Dizzee Rascal, Eskimo Joe, Gin Wigmore, Girl Talk, Groove Armada, Head Like A Hole, House of Shem, Karnivool, Kasabian, Kora, Ladyhawke, Lily Allen, Mastodon, Midnight Youth, Muse, Opensouls, Peaches, PNC, Powderfinger.

Cost – General Admission: \$132
www.bigdayout.com

Raggamuffin - Saturday, January 23 @ Rotorua International Stadium

Free your dreadlocks and release your Rasta spirit at New Zealand's biggest reggae music festival.

International line-up includes: Shaggy, Lauren Hill and Wyclef Jean (The Fugees), Steel Pulse, Julian Marley, Sly and Robbie,



and Sean Kingston, with New Zealand bands to be announced.

Cost:
 \$95 General Admission
 \$125 Reserved Seating (R18 Family area available at no extra cost on a first-served basis).
 \$250 Family (2 adults + 2 children).

Parachute Music Festival - January 29 - February 1 @

Ohaupo, Hamilton
 A four-day Christian music festival. Drug and alcohol-free event. Camping available.

Switchfoot, Underoath, Hillsong United, Leeland, Family Force 5, Falling Up, Newworldson, Parachute Band, Rapture Ruckus.
 Full weekend pass:

Adult: \$172, child \$84, family \$412
 Day passes: adult \$80, child \$36, family \$180
 Evening pass: Adult \$60, child \$28, family \$136

<http://www.parachutemusic.com/festival/>

Splore 2010 - February 19-21 February @ Tapapakanaga Regional Park

An outdoor music, art and multimedia festival with a dedicated under-12 activity space and teen/youth area area. Camping available.

Music line-up includes:

International acts: Lupe Fiasco, Basement Jaxx, Spektrum, DBridge, Instra-mental, Dubfx.

New Zealand acts: Tahuna breaks, Nick D, Zoh Zoh, Philliopa, Sola Rosa, Minuit, Pitch Black, Nathan Haines, North Shore Pony Club.

Living lounge includes: Dick Weir, DeeZa Star, Birds of Paradise, Lou Potiki-Bryant and The Navigators

Cost: Camping: Double site \$30, double site \$50

Adult \$185 + booking fee (BF)

Youth 13-17 \$85 + BF

Under 13 free

<http://www.splore.net/>

More FM Winery tour

'Put on your jandals, crank up the barbie and slap on some sunscreen - Kiwi bands are coming to the beach.'

Kiwi legends Neil Finn, Bic Runga, Dave Dobbyn, Boh Runga and Che Fu create a distinctly New Zealand experience at various vineyards.

February 5,6 - Matakana, Ascension Wine Estate

February 7 - Tutukaka marine reserve

February 10, 11 - Upper Moutere, Nelson, Neudorf Vineyards

February 12 - Blenheim, Villa Maria Estate

February 13 - Waipara, The Mudhouse Winery & Cafe

February 15 - Arrowtown, Millbrook Resort

February 18 - Gisborne, Brunton Road

February 19 - Havelock North, Black Barn Vineyards

February 20 - Martinborough, Alana Estate

February 21 - Napier, Sacred Hill, Riflemans Vineyard

February 24 - New Plymouth, Sentry Hill Estate

February 26 - Palmerston North Arena, Manawatu Lawns

February 27 - Taupo, Unison Amphitheatre

February 28 - Tauranga, Wharepai domain

March 5 - Hamilton, Mystery Creek

March 6 - Auckland, Villa Maria

Estate. Cost: pre-booked \$75, door sales \$85

Children 12 years and



Fat Freddy's Drop play in Opunake. Below, Gin Wigmore plays Big Day Out.