

# Strange Brew



**Clockwise from top left:**

***Kelsy*** - lead vocals/percussion

***Stewart Paxton*** – electric & acoustic guitars/mandolin/vocals

***Laurie Keating*** - drums/percussion

***Gino Mellino*** - bass guitar

# **STRANGE BREW ON THE BOIL**

**"Overproof rock'n'blues"** band, **Strange Brew** is an outfit that has been pounding the boards, making waves and pleasing audiences (and noticeably venue managers) for quite some time now.

The North Brisbane based quartet is a classic rock/blues covers outfit with attitude. With regular gigs spread roughly evenly between northern Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast, the band spans a wide range of material to suit just about any venue from RSL's and surf clubs, to outdoor festivals, private functions and corporate events.

*"The fact that we are all good friends, united by similar musical tastes and common goals is where our strength lies. People will always sense that camaraderie thing",* says lead guitarist Stewart Paxton. *"In this band, the music -and having fun with it onstage- comes first and to that end we try to put the 'Brew stamp' on the repertoire. We always get a good crowd response, encores are in demand and so are repeat bookings".*

Founded in 1994 and evolving through the occasional line up change, **Strange Brew** has gone from strength to strength, proving to have an essential 'stick to it' nature which has seen the band grow stronger while others seem to have faded away. In fact, all members of the current line-up are gritty and determined die-hards who have cycled through 'the Brew' at least once or twice before!

As Kelsy explains *"Having so many gigs under the belt as a unit, yet having a diverse range of personal experiences, from professional crewing and sound engineering experience, to touring with other acts, to the writing and recording of original music, we feel the band is now pretty much bullet proof. We know the ropes and how to please!"*

## **Some of our favourite artists/influences are:**

*Stevie Ray Vaughan*

*CCR*

*Van Morrison*

*Billy Thorpe*

*Paul Kelly*

*Tom Petty*

*Rolling Stones*

***...just to name a few!***

Following is but a small sample from whom **Strange Brew** currently takes their repertoire:

***From our Electric repertoire -***

Green River .....	CCR
Beast of Burden .....	Rolling Stones
Dumb Things .....	Paul Kelly
Losing My Religion.....	REM
Listen to the Music .....	Doobie Brothers
Rockin' All Over The World.....	Status Quo
Hurt So Good.....	John Mellencamp
Eagle Rock .....	Daddy Cool

***...and from our "Unplugged repertoire -***

Tears in Heaven .....	Eric Clapton
The Weight.....	The Band
Life By The Drop .....	Stevie Ray Vaughan
Are You Old Enough.....	Dragon

***And much more!!***

***Some of our recent venues include -***

***Bribie Island RSL  
Tewantin RSL  
Maleny Hotel  
Marcoola Beach Surf Club  
Caboolture Sports Club***

For further information on **Strange Brew** you can check them out at [www.strangebrew.com.au](http://www.strangebrew.com.au)