



# THE GLOBAL BATTLE OF THE BANDS!!!

NEWSLETTER, featuring Warrnambool, Brisbane and Coffs Harbour Heat Winners!!!

## Interview with Matt from The 80 Aces

Who are your band members & what instruments do they play?

Bass – Kyle  
Vocals - Jade  
Guitar - Matt  
Drums - Jarrod

What would you do with the first prize worth US\$100,000 if you were to win?

Make an awesome album, and gain some perks for ourselves Ha Ha.

How did you come up with the band's name?

When the band formed, we decided on our name because we were all born in the 1980's and we all enjoy playing cards.

Which bands have influenced you the most?

I can only speak for myself, but I would say XTC, The Beatles and Nirvana.

## Warrnambool Heat Winners: The 80 Aces

The Global Battle of the Bands has recently journeyed to Warrnambool, NSW.



The Loft in Warrnambool was an amazing venue for GBOB to start off the Victorian leg of our competition. Thanks to Ben Russell at the venue, Ian the sound engineer and all bar staff and security, a fun night was had by all. The band's created a real buzz, and some great talent emerged!

Special thanks should go to GBOB sponsors MarkBass and Hiwatt, who provided fantastic equipment that produced some remarkable sounds.

The judges, Jess Paddon, Jenna Rook and Tim Conlon, along with the audience, had a hard task choosing the best band to go through to the Regional Final. Although the competition was fierce, and the decision was a difficult one, there could only be one amazing band to take home first place.

In the end, The 80 Aces rose to the challenge, and will be competing in the Vic Regional Final later this year. We wish them the best of luck!!

Let's not forget the awesome prizes that one of our GBOB bands will walk away with this year ...

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## Next on the GBOB Calendar!

| Date:                  | Location:   | Venue:                   | Time:   |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Thursday, 16 September | Bundaberg   | The Club Hotel           | 7:00 PM |
| Friday, 17 September   | Rockhampton | Strutters Night Club     | 8:00PM  |
| Saturday, 18 September | Mackay      | CBD Hotel                | 8:00PM  |
| Sunday, 19 September   | Townsville  | Molly Malone's Irish Pub | 2:00PM  |
| Friday, 24 September   | Ipswich     | CWA                      | 6.00PM  |



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## Brisbane Heat Winners: Freak Morice

The Brisbane Heat of Global Battle of the Bands brought with it some amazing performances by many talented bands. Mick O'Malley's Irish Pub was the venue for this fantastic night. The hospitality shown by the staff was fantastic and everyone appreciated the great atmosphere.

The Judges Elizabeth Ross, Remco Mayer and Josef Horhay really had their job cut out for them. They had to choose between some really fantastic artists. Given free entry by the venue, the huge audience contributed with lots of enthusiastic cheering for their favorite bands!

Although all the bands did an incredible job, there could only be one winner. In the end, Freak Morice rose to the challenge and blew everyone away. Rocking their way to the Regional Finals, we know they'll enjoy the rest of their journey.

### Brisbane Heat winners, *Freak Morice*



*Freak Morice*: winner of the Brisbane Global Battle of the Bands Heat has been rehearsing and playing together for the past two and a half years.

With the youngest member being only 11, *Freak Morice* is quickly becoming known as one of the best when it comes to musical families. Lead by award winning songwriter and solo artist Kahlia Ferguson (17), they are made up of lead guitarist Daniel (15), drummer Joel (14), bassist Nathan (12), and Shani (11) on keyboards.

This band has come together, developing their own style and utilising their shared passion for music to create some amazing tracks and an awesome new sound.

*Freak Morice* will now go on to compete in the Regional Finals of the Global Battle of the bands! Good luck guys!!

## Congratulations go out to the Coffs Harbour Representative!

*The Dark Town Strutter's* amazed the judges with their fantastic style and awesome music.



They now have the task of fronting up on behalf of Coffs Harbour in the NSW Regional Final on Thurs 25 Nov in Sydney. They're sure to be up to the challenge.



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