

Big Kitty & the Scaredy Cats



The Deal

Big Kitty & the Scaredy Cats originated in Perth in 2004, when Big Kitty and her sidekick, "Machine Gun" Matt Eves, joined forces to found a new rockabilly / blues / country / swing act, debuting in front of a raving crowd at the famed Mustang Bar at a CD launch. Soon afterwards the dynamic duo relocated to Brisbane and re-formed their band, with a line-up that now includes Guv'nor Harvey Wallbanger on lead guitar, Rrruperrto (a.k.a. the Jennerator) on lead guitar and chicken pickin', and Jules "The Spoils" Victor on skins.

The band has had roaring successes since the move east, playing at Greazefest 05 & 06, Wintersun 06 & 07 including a support slot for Wanda Jackson, Gympie Muster 07, the 15th and 16th Annual Brisbane Blues Festivals, Palmwoods Blues events, the Lifeline Blues Cruise, and various rockabilly gigs round town including such memorable evenings as a Just Rock Ipswich gala, a bunch of whizbangers of private gigs, Rockabilly Gals #1 and #2, Custom Rockabilly #3 at the locally renowned Troubadour, and a series of Wild West End parties at Satchmo's which transformed into an ongoing monthly residency. In addition 2007 saw the launch of their acclaimed debut CD, "Hola!", available at www.bigkitty.com.au.

You can check out more and have a listen to some song samples at www.bigkitty.com.au, or at www.myspace.com/bigkittythescaresycats. Drop us a line at info@bigkitty.com.au.

The Sound

The Big Kitty sound is a rip-roaring mix of rockabilly, country, blues, swing, the occasional drop of jazz, and good ol' rock'n'roll, driven by searing lead vocals from the feline herself, plenty of sweet and dirty full-band harmony vocals, monster slap upright bass action from Machine Gun Matt, stompin' sticks and wit from JV, and wailin' licks from dueling axemen. The band plays several rockabilly, blues and country originals penned by BK and the lads. In addition the five-piece draws its other influences from, and pays tribute to, an eclectic group of trailblazers, as well as dropping in the occasional entertaining surprise for the punters.

At a Big Kitty gig you can expect to be entertained first and foremost, with a vivacious and cheeky stage presence, awesome musicianship, a few stunts for good measure, and vocals to make even the hardest hearts weep.

The Line-up

Big Kitty (Anna Eves):	Lead Vocals	Machine Gun Matt (Eves):	Upright slap double bass
The Guv (Chris Harvey):	Lead Axe	Rrruperrto (Rupert Jenner):	Lead Axe
"The Spoils" (Jules Victor):	Skins		

The Big Kitty experience can be booked as the full 5-piece, a 4-piece (either: guitar, bass, drums and three vocals, or two guitars, bass and three vocals), or a more acoustic trio (guitar, bass, three vocals).

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The CV

Big Kitty & the Scaredy Cats have played at venues, events and festivals including:

- ♣ Johnny Law CD launch (debut @ Mustang Bar)
- ♣ Greazefest 2005 & 2006
- ♣ Just Rock Ipswich Club Gala
- ♣ Custom Rockabilly #3 (at the Troubadour)
- ♣ Rockabilly Gals #1 & #2
- ♣ Wintersun 2006 & 2007
- ♣ Satchmo's Jazz and Blues Bar (now a residency)
- ♣ VSH Timbers Christmas Bash
- ♣ Maggie Black's Jazz and Blues Bar, Milton
- ♣ Palmwoods Hotel Blues Nights and Festivals
- ♣ Annual Brisbane Blues Festival 2007 & 2008
- ♣ Lifeline Port of Brisbane Blues Cruise 2007
- ♣ Gympie Muster 2007
- ♣ Brisbane City International Students Expo 2008

We have shared the bill with many of our rockabilly, country and blues friends, including:

- ♣ Wanda Jackson
- ♣ Mojo Webb and Band
- ♣ The Retro Rockets
- ♣ Rockbottom James and the Detonators
- ♣ The Satellites
- ♣ Asa Broomhall and Band
- ♣ The Go-Getters
- ♣ West Texas Crude
- ♣ Miss Teresa & Her Western Rhythmaires
- ♣ Juzzie Smith
- ♣ The Blues Bombers
- ♣ Lone Star Valley Boys
- ♣ Shakey Shaun's Blues Review
- ♣ Sugarcane Collins
- ♣ Tim Gaze
- ♣ Corn Liquor
- ♣ Brandi & the Bad Cats
- ♣ The Quick Draw McGraws

And in our pre-Big Kitty days, collectively we've worked with and/or played at:

- ♣ Big Joe Turner
- ♣ Bridgetown Blues Festival
- ♣ Albert King
- ♣ Albert Collins
- ♣ George Benson
- ♣ Josie Kreuzer
- ♣ Lionel Hampton
- ♣ Midnight Oil
- ♣ Ellis Marsalis
- ♣ Akira Tana
- ♣ Paul Grabowsky
- ♣ Leeuwin Estate Festival
- ♣ Cornerhouse Jazz Band
- ♣ Jeff Lang
- ♣ The Shakin' Quavers
- ♣ The Shedmen
- ♣ Men and Their Sheds
- ♣ Johnny Law & the Pistol Packin' Daddies
- ♣ Jus' Jump
- ♣ York Jazz Festival
- ♣ Sleepy La Beef
- ♣ Fremantle Jazz Festival
- ♣ Dino Baptiste
- ♣ Caxton Street Jazz Band
- ♣ Little Hornet
- ♣ George Washingmachine
- ♣ Mental As Anything