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'Australia's most exciting up-and-coming blues and roots rockers' (Beat Mag).



Bio

With a band name that's just one heavy animal away from the blues vamp 'Smokestack Lightning', Smoke Stack Rhino are gaining a reputation as 'Australia's most exciting up-and-coming blues and roots rockers' (Beat Mag).

Since forming in 2013, the Yarra Valley-based trio have been wowing crowds around Australia. Recently, they've taken their high energy live shows to Blues at Bridgetown, Moruya Blues and Roots, Airey's Inlet and Rock The Turf festivals, along with finding airplay on Triple M & triple J radio, placing on Spotify editorial playlists and running Rock The Valley Music Festival.

With a mix of blues, funk, heavy rock, psych, grunge and roots influences, the band has created their own authentic style which they call 'The Mojo Funk'. Ash King is a whirlwind with resonator in hand, his earthy vocals reaching from deep lows to high notes, drummer Matty Berg pushes the band forward from behind the kit and bass-player Shane Andison stays rock solid, holding the whole thing together with an infectious groove.

Like a rhino they love to 'stick to the sticks', playing a lot out in regional areas, particularly near surf, snow and brewery. To date they've appeared at over 20 festivals, completed 12 national tours and with new album *The Mojo Funk* in the works for vinyl, CD and online release, 2023 is set to be their biggest year yet.

'Love the stompin' blues sound...' – *Triple J Radio* 'Catchy, rootsy rock' – *Triple M Radio* 'The kind of rev up music Thomas Shelby would lister

"The kind of rev-up music Thomas Shelby would listen to before a backcountry shoot-out in the next season of Peaky Blinders' – *Beat Mag*

Contact

Festival Appearances

Blues at Bridgetown WA Mitchell Creek Rock N Blues QLD Rock The Turf NSW Bendigo Blues & Roots Festival VIC Moruya Blues & Roots Festival NSW Aireys Inlet Open Mic Festival VIC **MOJO Burning**, QLD Jamberoo Music Festival NSW Bruthen Blues and Arts Festival VIC Longview Farm Party NSW Frankston Waterfront Festival VIC Rock The Valley Music Festival VIC Arockalypse Festival VIC (Headline) Icy Creek Music Festival VIC (Headline) Barry Road Festival VIC Rock The Bay Festival VIC ROCK N LOAD Festival VIC **MELTDOWN Festival VIC** Rock & A Hard Place Festival VIC Rocktober VIC Rhystock VIC



Band Members.

Ash King - Vocals, Guitars & Harmonica Matty Berg - Drums & Vocals Shane Andison - Bass



At Moruya Blues & Roots Festival 2022 (Credit: Sol Flare Photography)

Recent Tours.



Artists We're Listening To Right Now.

John Butler Trio, King Gizzard, The Black Keys, Jimi Hendrix, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Muddy Waters, Howlin' Wolf, MonoNeon, Thundercat, Parcels, Marcus King, Ocean Alley, Skeggs

Some Artists We've Played With

The Teskey Brothers, KINGSWOOD, The Delta Riggs, Pierce Brothers, Thirsty Merc, Bob Log III (USA), 19- Twenty, Harts, Jackson Firebird, Choirboys, Ross Wilson, Chain + more

Streaming Links.

Bandcamp - <u>https://smokestackrhino.bandcamp.com/</u> Apple Music - <u>https://itunes.apple.com/au/artist/smoke-stack-rhino/</u> Spotify - <u>http://open.spotify.com/track/6WpHi67a7kpCgeJcJ7yjQS</u>

Recent Press.

Beat Mag - 'Wild, crazy, positive energy' November 11 2022

https://beat.com.au/wild-crazy-positive-energy-smoke-stack-rhino-are-bringing-an-old-silverbullet-to-the-toff/

Mountain Views Mail - 'Smoke Stack Rhino are back in H-Town' July 14 2022

https://mountainviews.mailcommunity.com.au/entertainment/2022-07-14/smoke-stack-rhinoare-back-in-h-town/

Beat Mag - Smoke Stack Rhino drop wild belter Woolamai' March 11 2022

https://beat.com.au/blues-in-5-4-timing-smoke-stack-rhino-drop-wild-belter-woolamai/

Beat Mag - 'Rock the Valley Music Festival' March 2 2022

https://beat.com.au/rock-the-valley-music-festival-is-bringing-the-love-to-the-yarra-valley/

Album Coming Soon!