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Blues and Folk Music in the Park

Territorians and visitors are encouraged to come along and enjoy an evening with local musicians at the base of the stunning West MacDonnell Ranges during the next *Music in the Park* event to be held at the Alice Springs Desert Park on Thursday 24 June 2010.

Alice Springs Desert Park Sales and Marketing Manager Estelle Marshall said local community group Friends of the Desert Park are hosting 'The Good Time Family Band' who will perform a blues and folk music concert from 7pm.

"The Good Time Family Band is a group of spirited musicians united by a love of music and a fascination with the stories and songs that characterise the places where they grew up," Mrs Marshall said.

"Featuring local musicians Max McHenry, Tim Mariner and Dom Costello the band has gone from humble beginnings playing late night jam sessions at the Rock Bar in Alice Springs to play at clubs, pubs, rodeos and parties developing a reputation as one of the tightest outfits in the central desert.

"The band gives a genuine outback musical experience drawing influences from country, bluegrass, rock, folk and soul, guaranteed to get the crowd up on their feet and dancing.

"The Desert Park's Nature Theatre is a great setting for these outdoor events as they allow visitors to sit among Central Australia's magnificent flora and fauna for a truly unique experience.

"With the full moon fast approaching on the 26 June the starry sky above is bound to be impressive for visitors to sit under while they enjoy the concert.

"The Desert Park is proud to provide interesting and entertaining events for locals and visitors to enjoy while also gaining an appreciation for the natural environment around them."

The Coolamon Café will be open for a meal or beverage before the concert. Bar facilities and snack food will also be available from the Nature Theatre.

Tickets cost \$15 per adult and \$10 per child, or \$10 for Territorian pass holders, and will be sold on the night. Please note cash sales only and seats are limited.

For more information about the Alice Springs Desert Park phone 8951 8788 or visit www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au.

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