

# Free gig for flood affected locals

by Andy Gough

A free concert being promoted as ‘One from the Heart’ intended to “celebrate the resilience and lift the spirits of the Lismore Community” was booked out within hours and leaving many frustrated locals wondering just how many free ticket recipients were actually flood-affected.

The gig, which will happen at the Lismore Showgrounds on Sunday 15th May, will feature Lismore natives Grinspoon, along with Paul Kelly and Dan Kelly, Jon Stevens, Lime Cordiale, Sheppard, Daryl Braithwaite, Darlinghurst and The Buckleys. It is backed by Lismore City Council, Chugg

Entertainment and Helium.

Four free tickets to the “not to be missed” show were on offer to “each family within the most affected areas – postcodes 2471, 2472 and 2480” through on-line ticketer Moshtix from Wednesday 27th April, and within hours were listed as “allocation exhausted”.

South Lismore resident Jeht Burgoyne took to Facebook to express her frustration.

“I am really annoyed! I went on-line to book a ticket for the free Lismore concert... NO MORE TICKETS! I hope all you people who got tickets that are not flood-affected feel really bad. Not OK,” she posted. 90 people commented on her post.

Jeht and her partner



Matthew not only lost everything in their South Lismore home in the flood, but Jeht also lost her livelihood from her

newly established art studio business as well.

“People who lost everything in the flood are busy trying to rebuild their lives, they

aren’t sitting around on social media. I really would have loved to see Paul Kelly but instead someone from Goonellabah will probably

get to enjoy it,” she said.

“Council knows exactly what areas were seriously flooded. They should have cross-checked people’s addresses to ensure the free tickets went to the right people, the ones the concert is actually intended to support,” she said.

“We are grateful that we have now been given tickets by some friends who managed to get them, but there should have been more scrutiny in the booking process, because these postcodes cover vast areas, and not everyone suffered the level of devastation that we did here in South Lismore,” Jeht said.

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