

BEYOND THE FIELDS

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Dear Friends,

BEYOND THE FIELDS are thrilled to share their new [Official Live Video](#) with you all. This time it's Alistair Hulett's "[Blue Murder](#)", featuring beloved Eva Wey on fiddle!



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ZHuqMpeths>

Our homage to one of Scotland's finest folk musicians was recorded live at this year's traditional Grabenhalle Irish Night in St. Gallen, Switzerland. Mixed by Eddy Sloof. Filmed by [Metunar](#).



ALISTAIR HULETT

For those who aren't too familiar with Alistair Hulett's (1951 - 2010) life and work, he was born and raised in Scotland but spent half of his life in Australia. He made a name for himself both as a solo artist and as the lead singer of legendary Australian folk rock band Roaring Jack.

Apart from being a gifted singer/songwriter, Alistair was a committed socialist and a dedicated political and community activist. He was indeed one of those artists who consequently used his art trying to make a difference, to fight injustice and exploitation wherever and whenever he could.

Alistair wrote songs about crimes against indigenous people, whether it was the British nuclear tests in Australia ("Plains of Maralinga") or human rights violations in Papua New Guinea ("Good Morning Bougainville"). He wrote songs about the Highland Clearances ("Destitution Road"), detention centres ("Behind Barbed Wire"), the mistreatment of workers, you name it.

"Blue Murder" was one of two songs he wrote about the suffering of those who worked in the blue asbestos mine in Wittenoom, Western Australia. Countless miners and their families who paid with their health and lives after being exposed to lethal asbestos fibres, a health hazard well known to those who ran the mine.

Alistair originally wrote the song for a play while still in Roaring Jack. He eventually recorded it for his third solo album "Saturday Johnny & Jimmy the Rat", together with folk legend Dave Swarbrick on fiddle!

To find out more about Alistair Hulett and his amazing body of work, visit <http://www.alistairhulett.com>.



To find out more about BEYOND THE FIELDS or our fiddler Eva Wey, visit us at <http://www.beyondthefields.com> and <http://www.evawey.ch>.

Wishing you all good health
and a wonderful summer!

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