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**Tuesday 15 September 2009
at Chequer Mead, East Grinstead**

**SINÉAD and the Dawnbreakers
Support: Danni Nicholls**

Sinéad and The Dawnbreakers is a 4 piece rockabilly/country band, playing original material with a few classic hits thrown in.

Lead singer **Sinéad Quinn** came 2nd in the BBC1 TV show, **Fame Academy** in 2002. She was the only contestant selected by public vote rather than the judges' panel. She subsequently released 2 hit singles and a self-penned album entitled 'Ready to Run'.

Sinéad has since spent time performing for the British Armed Forces around the world and has shared the stage with artists such as Lulu and Justin Hayward (when she played the role of Beth in Jeff Wayne's musical production of **War of the Worlds**).



Sinéad recently married drummer Paul Stewart of **The Feeling**, who hails from Copthorne (several members of the band have strong Sussex connections). Their marriage, in Sinéad's home town of Irvinestown in Co Fermanagh, was featured in OK! magazine, although the couple turned down an exclusive deal so that everyone in the town could enjoy their big day.

For this special show, husband Paul joins virtuoso rock & roll guitarist, Ray Waters, and one of the UK's leading double bass players, Tom Waters, to complete the line-up.

The band's name is taken from the Irish Showband who backed her mother, Philomena, in the 1960s, and with her father Gerry also a working musician, Sinéad grew up surrounded by the very music she now writes and performs with her band - rock'n'roll, rockabilly and country music. She has returned to her roots and those of her parents, her love of music from the 50s and 60s clearly evident in her own songwriting, which brings these styles up to date with a contemporary twist.

Sinéad and The Dawnbreakers' vibrant, engaging and energetic performance never fails to get the crowd on its feet and guarantees a great night out.



Tickets are £12 (all seats) - Box Office 01342 302000 or email info@chequermead.org.uk.

More information can be found on the Acoustic Sussex website (www.acousticsussex.org.uk)

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