

Keeping live vibes alive

Singer Lo Marshall wants to see live music venues pumping as a showcase for young musos

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FOR Hills local, Lo Marshall, music has always been a driving force in her life and family.

The mother of Hayley, 16, and Jamie, 12, can look back on a career that has given her plenty of happy moments doing what she loves. A teacher by day, Lo becomes the ultimate professional when she takes over the stage.

"Soundproofed started off as a dream as I had had the taste of the live music scene in the late 80s and early 90s," Marshall said.

"I knew it was something I wanted to get back into.

"So along with my husband Graham, and band members Leon, Col, Mary, Darren and Jo, I have worked hard to make Soundproofed what it is today, one of Sydney's best pop and rock anthems party bands."

The band, which is represented by The Sphere Organisation, wants to



maintain their popularity and make more friends.

Marshall says the band makes her sound better.

"I am very lucky to be able to play music with very talented musicians, let's face it they make me sound good," she said.

"I am proud to call them my other family. Plus, I get to share the journey with my awesome husband who is our sound engineer.

"Apart from that, I am

motivated to get these venues back to where they used to be. Live music four nights a week. It is where young musos learn their trade, they need this.

"We can only survive if punters support us. I am asking all locals to come along to the Ettamogah and get that live music feel that was around all those years ago. I want to see the venue overflowing. We will deliver a great night."

Soundproofed (from left) Col Booth, Mary Blake, Darren Hamilton, Lo Marshall and Leon Gower will play at the Etta.

Live and kicking

- » What: Soundproofed
- » Band members: Col Booth (lead guitar/backing vocals); Mary Blake (Keytar/backing vocals); Darren Hamilton (drums); Lo Marshall (lead vocals) and Leon Gower (bass guitar/backing vocals)
- » Where: Ettamogah Hotel at Kellyville Ridge
- » When: Saturday, July 9
- » Time: 9pm
- » Cost: Free (18 years and over)
- » Details: 9629 1130