

More Black Sheep

Having been known to frequent the odd pub or two in Australia it's good to know that you can get the same feel here. The 2 Black Sheep Ba-a and Restaurant in Patong is what you would expect from a pub down-under, icy cold beverages, great food and quality live entertainment in a hassle free environment. It is with this ambience that I am starting to see quite a few families drop in for a night's entertainment too.

The "2 Black sheep" has been in existence for quite a few years already and the new owners, it has changed hands recently, have continued with the same concept as before. The only changes have been to give the pub more of a feel of space. This has been done by lightening up the décor and removing some of the walls and replacing them with large windows.

Two of the new owners, John White and

Mickey Florie, are very well known and respected musicians along the east coast of Australia and they want to make the



From Left: Scott, Natalie, Debra, Mickey and John

entertainment aspect of the 2 Black Sheep the main driving force behind the pub's existence.

John has relocated with his family, wife

Debra and daughter Natalie here to Thailand. Natalie, is playing her own original songs and some covers at the pub from 7pm. She is a true talent in the making, but coming from the family background, it is not hard to see why.

John and Mickey get onto the stage themselves at around 8pm and play mostly acoustic originals and start upping the tempo a bit to phase in the band that will take you through the rest of the night. John told me that one of the highlights of his career so far was playing in support for "U2" in 1986, another was playing on stage with James Brown at the Apollo Theatre in Harlem. With John and Mickey's influence and experience this band is growing in confidence and professionalism. How long will it be before they will be regarded as the best band in Patong?

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