

# MECLIR

## Biography

What do you get when you mix together three of the Isle of Man's most well respected trad musicians with one of Scotland's fresh up and coming talents? **Mec Lir** - bringing foot stomping beats to some of your favourite trad tunes.

Formed in 2014, Mec Lir have had audiences up on their feet from the Isle of Man and Glasgow, across the Atlantic to Cape Breton with their infectious brand of 'trad pop'. The perfect blend of celtic tunes and modern backing, with the melody still playing the key role.

The band consists of virtuosic Manx fiddle player **Tomas Callister** (*Barrule, Ímar*), along with **Adam Rhodes** on bouzouki (*Barrule, Ímar*), **David Kilgallon** on keyboard (*Chronicles*) and **Greg Barry** on drums (*The Elephant Sessions*).

They released their debut CD '*Not An EP*' in 2015, and have since recorded two new singles, released early in 2016 - the epic reels set '*Chase The Ace*' and pumping polkas '*The Ram*'.

The band's had a busy few years, including going viral on Facebook with a video reaching over 2 million views, playing at festivals such as the **Festival Interceltique de Lorient** in Brittany, Cape Breton's **Celtic Colours** and Glasgow's **Celtic Connections**. Plans are now afoot to record a new album in early 2017. So keep your ears to the ground and your feet tapping - **Mec Lir will make you move!**