

THE DART BOARD

The Newsletter for Dart Valley Stompers

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RON BERRY

Farewell to Ron

Many of you have asked how Ron is doing and he is very well now thanks and has recovered from his illness which forced him to stop playing in October last year. However, sadly for us he has taken the decision not to return to playing and has hung up his drumsticks. Ron had wanted to “retire” in April this year when he turns 85 but sadly a combination of factors have happened and that has not been made possible. We miss him in the band he was always the quiet one, but like many of us he had his moments!

One such moment was last year when on the Isle of Wight out of season on a cold windy and drizzly morning, whilst killing some time during the day waiting to catch the ferry to go to the next evening gig. Jeremy drove down to the Needles and the entire band got off the bus in search of coffee or tea in a cosy café somewhere – But alas everything was closed and locked up. Eventually they returned to the bus and as Ron got back on the bus he uttered the immortal words “Utter waste of time” then sat down. The rest of us reminded him of that statement many times over 2013 and have now taken to saying “in the words of Ron Berry- Utter waste of time”.

We miss him very much he is a founder member of the Dart Valley Stompers and as Jeremy always says he is inimitable - so enjoy your retirement Ron you’ve earned it after so many years playing those drums and oh how you could play them! (If any of you would like to contact Ron then please contact me for his contact details – He would be delighted to hear from you).

Welcome to Chris Stockings

However as one door closes another one opens and we are delighted to confirm that Chris Stockings has now taken over the drum chair and is fitting in a treat – We were fortuitous in that Chris was available having just returned from Bradford to Torquay at the right time! We are sure that you will all want to welcome Chris and we look forward to this new chapter in the Dart Valley Stompers history. (Must be a thing about drummers – Chris is quiet too! Well so far - Ed).

Finally just room to apologise for this very late Newsletter – Mainly it was around wanting to share with you the feedback form our January Jazz weekend see page 3 for details. As we now have an annual Jazz Weekend in January I’ve changed the timing of the Newsletter so they will now be one month on so February/March, April/May etc.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FEBRUARY DATES

FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

COTLEIGH BREWERY

FORD RD, WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET
TA4 2RE

7.30 – 10.30PM CALL IVOR & RUTH FOR
TICKETS 01984 624448

MARCH DATES

SATURDAY 15TH MARCH

LOOE JAZZ CLUB

LOOE GOLD CLUB, BINDOWN STORES
LOOE PL13 1PX

Mike Tolley 07866 751541 FOR TICKETS
FEE INCLUDES SUPPER
8.00 – 11.00PM

MONDAY 17TH MARCH

YE OLDE JOLLY SAILOR

46 NORTHUMBERLAND PLACE
TEIGNMOUTH TQ14 8DE

8.30 – 11.00PM

THURSDAY 20TH MARCH

VERWOOD JAZZ CLUB

THE HIDEAWAY, 17 MOORLANDS ROAD,
VERWOOD BH31 7PD

£10.00 CALL 01202 873725
8.00 – 11.00PM

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

RUNNYMEDE JAZZ CLUB

HERIOT RD CHERTSEY, SURREY KT16 9BU
CALL 01784 431348 TICKETS

8.00 – 11.00PM

SATURDAY 29TH MARCH

VENTURE AWAY WEEKEND

NORTON GRANGE ISLE OF WIGHT
WITH SPECIAL GUEST ENRICO TOMASSO
12.00 – 3.00PM CALL 01305 750797

MARCH DATES CONTINUED

SATURDAY 29TH MARCH

NEW YELLOW DOG JAZZ CLUB

FLEMING PARK BOWLING CLUB,
KORNWESTHEIM WAY EASTLEIGH

SO50 9NL 8.00 – 11.00PM

WITH SPECIAL GUEST ENRICO TOMASSO
CALL JOE FOR TICKETS 023 8086 9720

OTHER DATES OF INTEREST

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

JEREMY HUGGETT'S HARLEM 5

THE OLD DUKE

KING STREET, BRISOL

8.30 – 11.00PM

SUNDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

JEREMY HUGGETT'S BAND OF GOLD

CASTLE GREEN INN

CASTLE GREEN TAUNTON

1.00 – 3.00PM

FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

JEREMY APPEARS WITH CASS

CASSWELL'S NEW ORLEANS UPDATE

THE CLARENCE HOUSE HOTEL

HIGH STREET PORTISHEAD BS20 6PY

8.30 – 11.00PM CALL JOHN ALLEN ON

0117 9717852 FOR TICKETS

THURSDAY 6TH MARCH

JEREMY HUGGETT'S HARLEM 4

DEVON ARMS

PARK LANE

TORQUAY

8.30 – 11.00PM

MONDAY 10TH MARCH

JEREMY APPEARS WITH CASS

CASSWELL'S ALLSORTS

OLD DUKE KING STREET BRISTOL

8.30 – 11.00PM

WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH

JEREMY HUGGETT'S BAND OF GOLD

PAIGNTON CONSERVATIVE CLUB

34 PALACE AVENUE PAIGNTON TQ3 3HB

8.00 – 10.45PM

OTHER DATES OF INTEREST CONTINUED

TUESDAY 25TH MARCH

JEREMY APPEARS WITH ANGUS THOMSON
CROWN & SCEPTRE
PETITOR ROAD
ST MARYCHURCH TORQUAY
8.30 – 11.00PM

WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH

JEREMY HUGGETT'S HARLEM 5
PAIGNTON CONSERVATIVE CLUB
34 PALACE AVENUE PAIGNTON TQ3 3HB
8.00 – 10.45PM YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE
A MEMBER



M & J PROMOTIONS News

We had a great Jazz Weekend in January and already January 2015 is nearly half full, so get those bookings in!

We had lovely feedback on the weekend and we are so pleased to be able to accommodate some of your suggestions for our future weekends.

Starting in January 2015 we will have an additional session on Sunday morning - there will be a request session. When we send out the seating arrangements questionnaire we will ask you to return your requests – Jeremy will play keyboard in January and will be joined by fellow guests who are also musicians Brian Huggett (Saxes/Clarinet – yes it's his dad!) and also Bob Reynolds on Trombone – and there may be other surprises along the way!

We are also investigating projecting onto screens on both sides of the balcony so that the pillars don't get in the way – We hope to have this up and running by September.

September has the last few rooms available so please if you want to book then do this sooner rather than later – details below or enclosed is a flyer.

Once again thank you for making our Jazz Weekends so popular and long may it continue...

Next event is September 19th – 22nd 2014

This 3 night weekend with half board from Fri 19th to Mon 22nd September to celebrate the 9th Anniversary of the Dart Valley Stompers

Features 5 top bands: The Rich Bennett Band, Becky Brine and her Trio,
The Fryer/Huggett All Stars, Jeremy Huggett's Jazz Me Blue with Jim Fryer and
The Dart Valley Stompers.

<http://www.mjpromotions.co.uk/redcliffeSept2014.htm>

January event is Winter Special Jazz Weekend.

This 3 night weekend with half board from Fri 30th January to Mon 2nd February featuring 5 top bands: JB's Jazz & Blues Band, Simon Banks & Jeremy Huggett,
The Bateman Brothers, Jim Newton's Fifty Shades of Jazz,
Jeremy Huggett & Matt Palmer's Reeds a Plenty.

<http://www.mjpromotions.co.uk/redcliffe2015.htm>

EYES DOWN FOLKS – IT'S COMPETITION TIME



THE WINNER OF LAST MONTH'S COMPETITION

CONGRATULATIONS TO:-
LESLIE MCINTOSH of **PINNER – UP A LAZY RIVER** IS ON ITS WAY
Want to win a copy of one of the band's CD's?

It seems you do, or you enjoy the competitions, given the number of entries we receive. Have a go at this month's competition and it could be you!

Last Months Answers:-

1. Pee Wee Russell, 2. Ray Bauduc, 3. Kid Ory,
4. Charlie Parker, 5. Ken Colyer, 6. Chris Barber,
7. Kenny Ball, 8. Artie Shaw, 9. Alex Welsh,
10. Johnny Dankworth, 11. Terry Lightfoot, 12. Alan Elson.
13. Fats Waller, 14. Pat Halcox, 15. Sidney Bechet.
16. Harry James, 17. Count Basie, 18. Benny Goodman,
19. Louis Armstrong, 20. Duke Ellington.

MISSING ACTIVITY !

Can you identify these Musicians from their nicknames? - cut out and send to the Editor – First correct answer pulled out of the hat wins a copy of one of the Band's CD's of your choice. Deadline for entries is 7.3.14. Winner to be announced in the next edition.

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| 1. Lucky ____ (Tenor Sax) | 2. Papa ____ (Drums) |
| 3. T-Bone ____ (Guitar) | 4. Toots ____ (Harmonica) |
| 5. Hot Lips ____ (Trumpet) | 6. Kid ____ (Trombone). |
| 7. Tubby ____ (Saxes) | 8. Bunk ____ (Trumpet) |
| 9. Cootie ____ (Trumpet) | 10. Pee Wee ____ (Clarinet). |
| 11. Cozy ____ (Drums) | 12. Muggsy ____ (Cornet). |
| 13. Peanuts ____ (Cornet) | 14. Zoot ____ (Tenor Sax) |
| 15. Dizzy ____ (Trumpet) | |

NICKNAMES!

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Cut out and send to Maria Huggett, 10 Oak Crescent, Willand, Cullompton, Devon EX15 2SS
Deadline for entries – 07-03-14. Please indicate your choice of CD below:-

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TEL NO _____

BAND OF GOLD CD'S
TENOR MADNESS OR
HARLEM 5 CD WELCOME TO HARLEM

THANKS PAM FOR ANOTHER GREAT PUZZLE

DART VALLEY STOMPERS CD'S
MINNIE THE MERMAID
UP A LAZY RIVER
Circle your preference!